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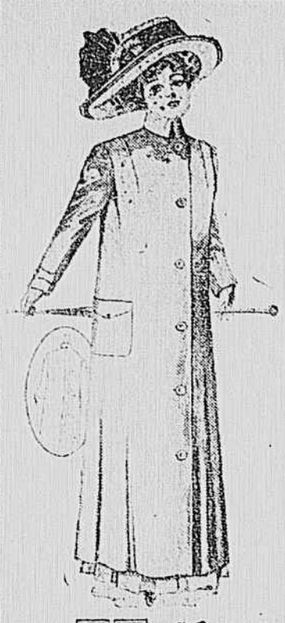

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HOWITZERS WILL TRAIN FOR RIDING

Take Instruction in Horsemanship as Step Toward Greater Efficiency.

Beginning the task of fitting the battery for actual field service, Captain W. M. Myers, of the Richmond Howitzers, has closed a contract for instruction for his officers and men in horsemanship. The lot between the two armory buildings will be fitted up for use as a riding school, and beginning on April 18, actual training in this line will be had each Tuesday night.

This practice, of course, will lead to the mounted drills with the guns in the open country, to which the battery will be brought as soon as possible. Recently the State Military Board increased the appropriation to each battery of field artillery in the State, for care of the equipment and instruction of the personnel from $1,000 to $2,000 a year.

Instructor Secured.

Louis Schulenberg, of this city, is to act as instructor. It is planned to have about twenty-five men taught in horsemanship each week, until each man knows how to handle horses in every way required in active service. In field artillery commands, as in the cavalry, the rule is that as every man must be fitted to take the place of another if necessary, therefore he must know how to ride and drive properly.

It is the intention of Captain Myers to light the ground, which Mr. Schulenberg says is excellently fitted for the purpose. Later it may be covered, so that it may be used, if desirable, in winter months. As soon as the entire battery is conversant with the theory and practice of horsemanship, it will be taken out for field practice.

The commissioned and noncommissioned officers went out for a short ride in the country last Sunday to make a start, but it is Captain Myers's intention to avoid Sunday work as much as possible.

Several recruits are being received into the battery. There are seven appointments of noncommissioned officers to be made, and these will be announced next Tuesday night. At that time there will be a smoker at the armory for active members of the Howitzers only.

SNAKE BITE CURE

Controversy Over Anti-Toxin—Vaccination at San Antonio.

Recent vaccination of certain of the commands of the Virginia Volunteers against typhoid fever gives point to a controversy now raging in military journals over anti-toxin for snake bite. It is asserted that the treatment is a decided success, and some writers go so far as to say that on general principles it will be more popular as a preventive than has the vaccination against typhoid.

At all events the controversy is a serious one and not waged in jest. One writer no other than Samuel Hopkins Adams, one of the best known magazine writers of the day—has asserted that more than eighty deaths from snake bite have occurred in the United States in the history of the country. As might be expected, this theory is strongly combated, since without deadly bites the excuses for taking remedies would be useless. Dr. W. F. Arnold, a retired United States navy surgeon, takes issue with Mr. Adams, saying that he knows personally of twenty deaths, and arguing that there must have been many more than the eighty.

As to the anti-typhoid vaccination, all the officers and men who go to San Antonio must take this preventive. The entire mobilized force there has been vaccinated, and the prompt service in this regard is being pointed to with pride by the army medical school, which furnished the virus. Prior to the encampment 20.000 of the regular troops had been given the virus during the past two years.

MAY REACH $3,000

Many Tag Day Stations Have Not Yet Reported on Collections.

Indications last night were that the total receipts of Tag Day for the benefit of the Instructive Visiting Nurses' Association may reach $3,000. The amount received yesterday from stations which did not report Monday was about $500, bringing the total now in hand up to $2,500. Several stations remain to be heard from, and those in charge of them are expected to turn in their receipts to-day. If $3,000 is received it will exceed the contributions of Tag Day last year by $150.

College Faculty Reception.

Most of the students of Richmond College were present last night at the second faculty reception which has taken place this year. The event, which was arranged for by the "fair co-eds," took place in Thomas Hall. It was followed by a dance.

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MEMBERS OF CLUB LEARN ABOUT CITY

Vast Amount of Information Regarding Richmond Gathered by Women.

Surprisingly large and comprehensive was the amount of information gathered by members of the "Know Your City" class, and presented at the meeting held yesterday afternoon in the lecture-room of the Seventh Street Christian Church. The subject for discussion was "Municipal Government," a series of questions about cities in general and about Richmond in particular having been propounded.

The meeting was under the direction of Mrs. Kate Pl asants Minor and Mrs. James Ryland, the chairman.

The questions included the authority for a city's existence, its taxation, its liabilities, the city officers, the courts and their duties and responsibilities. There was also considered the law-making bodies, their functions, the budget, the schools and the various departments. Names and numbers were required, this being a search for detailed information.

Those taking part in the program were Mrs. James Ryland, Miss Newell, Mrs. Gordon, Miss Mayo, Mrs. C. V. Meredith, Mrs. Charles Saville, Mrs. Frank Jobson, Mrs. W. M. Adams, Miss Martin, Miss Smith, Mrs. J. Tyler Jobson and Mrs. Carl J. Rostrup.

An example of the answers was that made by Miss Martin regarding the passage of an ordinance accepting the offer of $100,000 for a public library on condition that the city provide a site and give $10,000 a year for maintenance. She told of the proposition made by Andrew Carnegie a few years ago. Miss Martin traced the probable course of such an ordinance, estimating that "by the beginning of June, 1912, the ground is broken for Richmond's beautiful new library."

REGRETS ARE VOICED

Supper Tendered to Retiring Officers of Company F, First Regiment.

In a farewell supper given last night at the Seventh Street Armory by Company F, First Regiment, to the two retiring officers, Captain J. H. Stone and First Lieutenant W. H. Kindervater, many regrets were expressed at the loss of the two commanders. Second Lieutenant C. Alexander Rady, now the only commissioned officer left with the company, presided.

Captain Stone and Lieutenant Kindervater, replying to the many expressions of regret, reaffirmed their loyalty to the interests of the company and voiced their hopes for its continued success. Among the visitors who spoke were Lieutenants Snead and Cousins and former Lieutenant Shepherd.

Captain W. A. Herbert, of Company A, has been assigned to command of F Company for sixty days, when an election will be held to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of Messrs. Stone and Kindervater, who have been placed on the retired list after many years service with the Virginia volunteers.

HOLD FINAL SERIES

Special Train for Farmers on Richmond-Washington Line Next Week.

Ending the series of Farmers' Institutes conducted by the Department of Agriculture, which has now been in progress for two months, a special train will be run next week over the line of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac and the Washington Southern between this city and Washington. The series on the Norfolk and Western will terminate at Ford, in Dinwiddie county, on Saturday of this week. Commissioner Koiner yesterday announced next week's stops as follows:

Monday, April 10—Glen Allen, 10 A. M.; Ashland, 1:30 P. M.

Tuesday, April 11—Doswell, 10 A. M.; Milford, 1:30 P. M.

Wednesday, April 12—Guinea, 10 A. M.; Fredericksburg, 1:30 P. M.

Thursday, April 13—Brooke, 10 A. M.; Quantico, 1:30 P. M.

Friday, April 14—Occoquan, 10 A. M.; Accotink, 1:30 P. M.

NO DEBATES LIKELY

Senator Martin's Friends Believe Published Report Is Mistake.

Little credence is given in political circles in Richmond to the report that Senators Martin and Swanson have stated they will engage in joint debates with their opponents in the senatorial contest. At the time of Mr. Jones's opening speech Senator Martin stated that he would not engage in debates, and a letter just received by a friend indicates that if anything he is strengthened in that conclusion.

As to Senator Swanson, it is regarded as possible that he may decide to go into discussions with Mr. Glass, but it is understood that he has not expressed himself on the matter.

Dismissed from Docket.

No action having been taken in the last five years the suits of H. E. Franklin against H. T. Moore and George P. Haw, special commissioner, against C. E. Belvin, were dismissed in the City Circuit Court yesterday. There are other cases of the same nature upon which the five-year law acts, which will be stricken from the books in the next few days.

Improvement of James River.

The Committee on Improvement of the James River failed of a quorum last night, and has been called to meet at 8 o'clock on next Monday night.

SMITH'S DESIGN FOR NEW BRIDGE

Subcommittee Recommends That Contract Be Awarded to Local Firm.

TO STAND ON MAYO SITE

Matter Sent to Street Committee After Meeting Behind Closed Doors.

On a divided vote, a subcommittee of the Council Committee on Streets yesterday recommended the adoption of design B, submitted by I. J. Smith & Co., for erection of a reinforced concrete arch bridge over James River, to replace Mayo's Bridge. The meeting was held behind closed doors, and the recommendation of the subcommittee was the only action made public. I. J. Smith & Co. bid on plans drawn by the Concrete Steel Engineering Company, of New York, proposing the Melan system of concrete reinforcement.

Fifteen Enter Competition.

Fifteen proposals were originally submitted to the Committee on Streets when bids were invited, and many of the propositions included alternate methods of construction, and of finish in matters of paving, railing and similar matters not affecting the strength of the structure, but which might have large effect on the cost. A subcommittee worked through a process of elimination until there were only five plans under consideration; those of Stamper Bros. & Ragland, McKay Engineering Company, I. J. Smith & Co., Carolina Concrete Company and H. M. Allport & Son. Advice of a board of engineers was then invited to make critical examination of the plans under consideration, and they were referred to City Engineer Charles E. Bolling, Colonel C. P. E. Burgwyn and Wilbur J. Watson, a bridge expert of Cleveland, O.

All Plans Are Good.

The board reported that all five of the plans were good in the main, but in each case recommended some minor modification. When asked for an opinion the board indicated that if its recommendations were complied with, it would put the five designs, irrespective of price, in the order given above.

Statues Not Considered.

The committee decided that it could not in fairness consider as part of the competition an offer of Sir Moses Ezekiel to ornament the Stamper Bros. & Ragland bridge with certain statues, provided that firm got the award, no such offer having been made to the city.

Mr. Smith yesterday afternoon submitted in writing a statement of the cost of making the changes proposed by the engineers, which, taken in connection with similar statements from the other five bidders, made his design the lowest proposal, and his cost slightly more than $224,000.

The Allport design, subject to certain modifications, was to cost $233,548; that of the Carolina Concrete Company, $238,900; McKay Engineering Company, $223,477, subject to extra cost for fifty-three feet error in measurement between north and south shore, and Stamper Bros. & Ragland, $227,712. All of the bids are subject to certain extras for tracks, methods of paving, etc., and to certain credits in optional cases, and there was some difference of opinion as to who was really the lowest bidder when all allowances had been calculated.

What Is Proposed.

The Smith design selected calls for stress to carry fifty-ton electric cars, and 150 pounds per square foot on roadway. The length over all from shore to shore is 1,721 feet. The width of roadway is forty-four feet, with sidewalks on each side, including railing, of eight feet. A concrete railing of permanent type is provided. The type of paving is optional, several proposals being submitted. Approach is provided on Mayo's Island on each side. Trolley poles are provided over each pier. Provision for street railway tracks is made in plan, but is not included in bid. Provision is made for sixteen-inch gas main, for twelve-inch water main, and for ducts for high and lower power wires.

Two alternate designs are submitted for lamps for lighting the bridge by electricity on underground connections. The piers are equi-distant and the spans uniform in length and height, except the two end spans, which by agreement of the committee will be graded to meet the approaches, on the compromise grades adopted, which propose a bridge five feet higher than the present structure, sloping at either end.

Ample for High Water.

The high water area north of the island is calculated for 13,952 feet and south of the island for 23,404 feet. Planned for a camber of slight arch grade, the height above the present bridge on Mayo's Island will be about 7 1-2 feet. The stress sheets are reported by the engineers to be correct, and the supplemental stresses for temperature changes have been submitted.

The vent of water is calculated at 37,356 square feet. The freshet of 1877, the highest of which there is authentic record, occupied 38,104 square feet area of waterway, since which the Dutch Gap canal has been widened, and there are reasons for believing that that height will not be reached again.

Chairman Adams will call a meeting of the Street Committee shortly, after which a special meeting of the Common Council will be called, the plan being to award the contract so as to begin work as soon as possible.

NO QUORUM

Street Committeemen Fail to Show Up at Joint Session.

Although a quorum of members of the Committee on Finance was present last night, there was no quorum of the Council Committee on Streets at a joint meeting of the two committees called to consider the advisability of abolishing the present system of local assessments. It is argued that the present plan of paving sidewalks and alleys at the expense of property-owners is clumsy and expensive in operation, and there are a number of advocates who want the work done at the expense of the city. No date was set for a further meeting.

Blanchard Forbes in Hospital.

Blanchard S. Forbes, of 1004 West Franklin Street, was operated on in St. Luke's Hospital yesterday. He had been suffering with his arm for some time, and it was necessary for him to have surgical treatment. His condition is not looked upon as serious.

"DYING" MAN HAS MADE HIS ESCAPE

Henry Lester, Thought to Be Fatally Wounded, Seems to Have Fled.

OFFICERS WANT TO COME

Former Virginians Desire Military Service—Mineral Assessments Upheld.

According to a letter received yesterday morning at Governor Mann's office from R. O. Crockett, Commonwealth's Attorney of Tazewell county, Henry Lester, who was involved in the recent shooting affray in that county, has made an easy escape from the State. Mr. Crockett asks the Governor to supplement a reward of $50 offered by the county for Lester's apprehension.

The missing man and his son, Ben, it will be recalled, became engaged in an altercation with Robert Lester and Luther Lowe, as the result of which Robert Lester and Lowe were killed, supposedly by Ben Lester. Henry Lester was badly wounded, and it is stated that inasmuch as he was expected to die, steps were not taken to secure him, although Ben Lester was arraigned and admitted to bail. The wounded man seems to have recovered with considerable celerity, for, according to Mr. Crockett's letter, he was placed on a train at Saltville last Friday and has not since been seen or heard of. The supposition is that he has fled to another State.

Mr. Crockett feels that the escaped man and his son were the aggressors in the altercation which resulted in the killing, and he is very desirous of having a capture made. The Governor will probably act in the matter to-day.

WOULD COME TO VIRGINIA

Regular Army Officers Would Like to Be Placed on Duty With Militia.

Under the new law passed by Congress increasing the number of regular army officers for the purpose of instructing the organized militia, two officers will be assigned for this duty in Virginia. The intention of the measure was to provide an officer for every militia regiment, but before its passage it was amended by reducing the number, so that but two can be given to the National Guard in Virginia. They will serve for one year each.

This is part of the plan of the War Department to keep the militia up to the standard set by the Dick bill—a war footing. Two noncommissioned officers have been in the State for some time instructing the enlisted men, and Colonel C. A. Dempsey, United States Army, retired, has for some time been with the Adjutant-General's office.

The result of the new bill is a demand on the part of Virginians with the regular army to be detailed for this service, so as to get back in the State. Not only these officers themselves, but their friends, are trying hard to gain this end. Of course, but two can be so favored.

Assessments Upheld.

Another victory for his assessments of mineral lands has been gained by James A. Stone, the State Assessor of mineral property. Mr. Stone wired Judge William F. Rhea, of the Corporation Commission, yesterday in regard to sixteen motions for reduction of the valuations placed by him, made in the Circuit Court of Wise county. Fifteen of these motions were dismissed by the court, and while the remaining proceeding was not decided, the judge indicated that instead of reducing it he proposed to make it larger than the figures set by Mr. Stone.

Pharmacy Board to Meet.

The annual meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy will be held at the Capitol during the week beginning April 24. Usually practically the entire week is consumed in holding the examinations, grading the papers, making the awards of licenses and transacting other business. A chairman and secretary for the year will also be selected at this time.

Governor Away.

Governor Mann was absent from his office yesterday, addressing a good roads meeting at Branchville, in Southampton county.

Exchange Positions.

A commission was issued yesterday by the Adjutant-General to Charles M. East, of Staunton, to be captain and adjutant of the First Virginia Infantry. He succeeds Captain James H. Price, who in turn will take Captain East's former place as regimental commissary. Captain East is now on duty at San Antonio, Tex.

Bridge Contracts Let.

Contracts were let yesterday by the State Highway Commission for the construction of twelve modern bridges in Southampton county. The total is about $21,000, all the contracts going to the Virginia Bridge and Iron Company, of Roanoke. Southampton is one of the counties electing to use its State money aid in bridge work. The new structures will replace old wooden bridges.

ELKS' CEREMONIAL

Recently Elected Officers to Be Installed at Home To-Night.

Elaborate preparations have been made for the installation of the recently-elected officers of Richmond Lodge, No. 45, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, which will take place to-night at 8 o'clock in the home, Eleventh and Marshall Streets.

The ceremonies will be conducted by District Deputy John T. O'Connell, of Norfolk, assisted by District Deputy Andrew Chisholm, of Charlottesville.

The installation will be followed by a social session, and it is expected that there will be a full attendance of all local and visiting Elks.

Marriage License.

A marriage license was issued yesterday in the Hustings Court to William N. Hicks, of Powhatan county, and Elizabeth T. Brooke.

Henrico Marriage License.

A marriage license was granted yesterday in the office of the clerk of the Henrico county Circuit Court to Charles V. Stansbury and Mattie E. Atkins.

Services at Holy Trinity.

The Rev. D. W. Howard, rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Norfolk, will preach at Holy Trinity this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

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LAWYERS TO HAVE GOOD CHARACTER

Startling Changes Made in Rules for Examination of Applicants.

REQUIRED TO STUDY ETHICS

Cheating at Examinations Will Disqualify Would-Be Attorneys.

Significant changes in the rules of the State Board of Law Examiners with reference to the qualifications of applicants for license were announced yesterday by M. B. Watts, secretary to the board. While Mr. Watts preserves a discreet silence regarding the reasons of the board for making the changes, it will not be necessary to take a brick to batter these reasons into the head of any one. It is enough to read them.

Evidently ethics and character are to hereafter be indispensable topics for consideration in admitting men to the practice of law in this State.

The first change is made in giving the steps necessary to qualify for taking the examination. The rules formerly provided that the application must be "accompanied by the written recommendation of two members of the bar of his (the applicant's) judicial circuit, who are practicing attorneys in the Supreme Court of Appeals, that he is of good moral character and a proper person to be licensed to practice law." The amendment is the addition of the words "speaking of their personal knowledge" after the words "Court of Appeals." The evident intention is to require direct and personal testimony of moral character. Mr. Watts will not say that persons of improper character have been licensed as the result of carelessness on the part of attorneys in indorsing applicants. In fact, he won't say anything.

Must Study Ethics.

Still more significant, perhaps, is the addition made to the list of subjects on which the applicants will be examined. To the rules giving the lists of books and instruments is added "and the Code of Legal Ethics as adopted by the Virginia State Bar Association." It is not, of course, to be inferred that any appreciable number of lawyers in this State have no care for ethics, but it would appear that such cases are known.

The last amendment refers to cheating in examinations. The rules formerly provided that each applicant "be required to affix to his examination and subscribe with his own name the following pledge: 'I hereby certify that I have neither received nor given aid or assistance in any manner during this examination.'" Now, the board has added these words: "In case the applicant shall violate this pledge he will be denied a recommendation for admission to the bar." In other words, a penalty is added for a breach of honor.

Mr. Watts said yesterday that the examination will be held in Roanoke on June 28.

FARMERS INTERESTED

Rural Sanitation Being Taught on Norfolk and Western Institute Train.

Reports received at the State Health Department from Assistant Commissioner A. W. Freeman, who is accompanying the better farming special on the Norfolk and Western, declare that the hundreds of farmers who are attending the meetings are deeply interested in questions of rural sanitation, and are giving close attention to the suggestions made for better health on the farm.

Dr. Freeman states that the farmers are much concerned about the two essentials of rural sanitations which are being urged by the State Department of Health—better wells and more sanitary outbuildings. They are asking for literature on these subjects, and many of them have expressed their intention of improving their wells and outbuildings to conform to the specifications of the State health authorities.

FEDERAL INDICTMENTS

Richard Coakley to Answer for Mailing Indecent Postal Card.

Richard Coakley, of Alden, Va., was indicted by the United States grand jury yesterday upon a charge of sending obscene matter through the mails. He is alleged to have mailed to Fred Davis, of Edge Hill, Prince George county, an indecent picture, bearing improper inscriptions.

Tilak C. Williams was indicted on two counts upon a charge of aiding and abetting in the removal of untaxpaid spirits from the warehouse of the Dinwiddie Distilling Company, Dinwiddie county. A true bill, containing three counts upon similar charges, was returned against W. G. Stafford and Joseph Avent, who were indicted jointly.

The grand jury will resume its work this morning at 10 o'clock.

PREDICTS ANOTHER PROBE

Senator Says Pinchot-Ballinger Affair Was Whitewashed.

Spokane, Wash., April 4.—Declaring that the recent Pinchot and Ballinger investigation was a "prearranged whitewash," Senator Miles Poindexter yesterday predicted an investigation of the Interior Department by the coming special session of Congress.

"The men who introduced the investigation resolutions at the last session said a vindication of Ballinger was what they wanted, and they got it," declared Poindexter. "The people demand a thorough investigation, and I have no doubt they will get it, now that the recent election has made it possible."

FIGHTING HOOKWORM

Field Inspectors of the State Board of Health Report Good Results.

That the field inspectors of the Health Department are getting results, and that the medical profession generally is becoming deeply interested in the fight against hookworm, is evidenced by the demands now being made on the State Bacteriological Laboratory for diagnosis. Almost every mail brings in scores of specimens, sent in the new model containers issued by the department, and with these come many requests for information regarding the disease. The State Department of Health estimates that the cases now being treated each week in the State mount well into the hundreds.

Chinese Relief Fund.

These contributions have been received by The Times-Dispatch:

Clarksville:

Baptist Church, Clarksburg, Va.....	$ 11 28
Daniel and Harry Lee Denoon, Jr....	15 00
Dr. Eugene and E. B. Pendleton.....	1 00
Ladies of Clarksville Baptist Church..	21 51
Friends	10 00
Total	$ 58 82
Previously acknowledged.....	1,546 33
Grand total	$1,605 15

Oratorical Contest.

Preparations are now being made for an oratorical contest between the two literary societies of Richmond College to take place April 11. A handsome medal will be awarded the successful speaker. Those who will compete will be J. B. DuVal, A. A. White, Allen Hall and W. A. Wilkins, L. A. Paulette and S. L. Stillwell.

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CITY EMPLOYES UNDER SUSPICION

Higgins, Who Was Shot, and Kiser Held for Trial on Burglary Charge.

With a bullet wound through his left leg, James Higgins, accompanied by Joseph Kiser, both employes of the Street Cleaning Department, entered Police Court yesterday morning as suspected burglars, suspected of having broken into and attempted to rob the small grocery store of Mrs. Annie Dollard, on the Hermitage Road, just beyond the corporation limits. A specific warrant will probably be sworn out against them, and pending that the case was continued to April 8.

Jesse Graves, colored, of 818 Moore Street, who identified Higgins Monday night as the man he shot when the latter sprang from the window in Mrs. Dollard's store, was present as a witness, but the evidence was not gone into. The men are represented by Attorney Gilbert K. Pollock.

Higgins was arrested Monday night on Lombardy Street, by Bicycle Policemen Tiller and Reid, after he had asked them to take him to the office of Dr. Hillsman to have the wound in his leg dressed. He first aroused their suspicion by declaring that he didn't know where he was shot, didn't know who shot him and had not known that he was shot until he felt blood trickling down his leg. They questioned him closely, and finally gained enough information to put them on what they believed to be the right track, and he was taken to the Second Station under arrest. There the story of the robbery at the Dollard store and the shooting of the burglar by the negro Graves was learned, and Graves was called in. He immediately identified Higgins as the man he had wounded. He said that he was within five feet of the burglar when he fired. He jumped back to escape a return shot, and the wounded man crawled away on the tracks of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and disappeared in the darkness.

Higgins has made no admissions, and has not explained how, where or by whom he was shot.

Both Higgins and Kiser have been in the employ of Superintendent Cohn's forces for several years.

CASE EASILY EXPLAINED

Railroad Ticket Agent and Chief Health Officer Heard by Board.

Owing to a personal misunderstanding Chapman W. Morriss, ticket agent for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, Monday night preferred charges against Chief Health Officer E. C. Levy, alleging that he had not been treated civilly when the officer approached him in regard to being vaccinated. The Health Board heard the complaints fully, and the case was satisfactorily closed after Dr. Levy and Mr. Morriss shook hands.

Members of the board would not go into the details minutely, saying that it was a trivial case, clearly a misunderstanding and one that in no way affected the department or the efficiency of the chief officer.

"The charges made by Mr. Morriss against Dr. Levy," said Dr. W. T. Oppenhimer, president of the board, "were entirely of a personal nature, and when both sides had been heard it was clear that the investigation was the result of a misunderstanding, which was soon adjusted to the satisfaction of Dr. Levy, Mr. Morriss and the board. So far as the board is concerned the incident is closed, and there is no reason to go into the details of the case, as it in no way involves the work of the city health department."

Held for Grand Jury.

Ernest Robinson, colored, was ordered held for the grand jury in Police Court yesterday morning on a charge of having attempted a criminal attack on a four-year-old negro child named Virginia Kidd. Robinson was accompanied and aided by Willie Powell, a ten-year-old white boy, who was also charged with having himself attempted assault. Because on account of the white boy's age the case against him was indefinitely postponed. Robinson gave his age as seventeen years.

Petition in Bankruptcy.

A petition in voluntary bankruptcy was filed yesterday in the United States District Court by Jerome P. Tunstall, of Centralia, Va. His liabilities amount to $1,705.37, while he claims $1,260.20 assets. Robert H. Talley is counsel for the petitioner.

A similar petition was filed by Robert Sahnow, of Richmond. His liabilities are $317.07 and no assets. J. S. Cohn is attorney for the petitioner.

Two Under Peace Bonds.

On a charge of disposing of a watch which he had bought on the instalment plan from a local jewelry house before he had paid for it, Floyd Throckmorton was yesterday placed under a $100 peace bond for six months by Magistrate T. J. Lewis in Henrico county.

For using abusive language William Foster, colored, was also placed under a peace bond.

Defer Action on Tax Rate.

Because of its importance the Henrico county Board of Supervisors yesterday did not go into the question of lowering the rate of taxation, but deferred action until next week.

MILLNER QUICKLY PLEADS GUILTY

Negro Admits He Broke Into Pawnshop, and Court Gives Him Five Years.

Four negroes were tried yesterday in the Hustings Court, and before 1 o'clock one was on the road to the penitentiary for five years, another on his way to the colored reformatory, a third to a term in jail and the fourth also to the city jail. Two pleaded guilty and threw themselves on the mercy of the court.

In walked one John Henry Millner to the bar. Standing, he listened to the reading of an indictment, charging him with having broken into the pawnshop of M. Kaminsky, on Seventeenth Street, and stealing therefrom eleven revolvers and a coat.

"Guilty or not guilty?" asked Clerk Walker Christian.

"I'se guilty," answered the prisoner.

"Yes, sir; I done it."

"Five years in the penitentiary," said the court. "This negro might have strewn these pistols all around Richmond, and there would have been more gun play."

"Phew!" blew the negro. But he might have got more had he fought the case.

William Rogers, a colored youth of fifteen years, said that he was guilty of carbreaking. He was a forlorn and pathetic figure. He said he had neither home nor friends. An officer spoke up for him.

"He doesn't know a soul in Richmond," said the policeman, "and I guess this is his first offense." So spoke officers of the Southern Railway.

"Better send him to the reformatory," said the court. "Better that than jail, and better that than liberty on the streets."

Moss Cunningham went to jail for sixty days for carving Elijah Gray.

John Dance, charged with cutting, Abraham Overton, pleaded guilty to assault and battery, and was fined $10 and costs. There was nothing in his jeans, so he will chew his cud in jail.

CHANCERY HEARING

Trust Company-Railway Matter to Result in Order of Sale.

The Chancery Court yesterday was engaged in hearing suits of the Virginia Trust Company, trustees, against the Virginia Anthracite Coal and Railway Company and the Virginia Trust Company against the Virginia Anthracite Coal Company. These suits involve the road running from Christiansburg to Blacksburg, and also large coal property on Bush Mountain and adjacent territory. The road is now in the hands of Robert H. Smith and W. J. Payne, receivers, appointed by the court.

Commissioner E. M. Pilcher has recently made a report showing the amount of indebtedness of the companies and various exceptions have been filed. Judge Grinnan has fixed May 15 as the time to hear the attorneys as to their exceptions. A decree was ordered prepared for the sale of the railway.

In connection with the suits Attorney-General S. W. Williams, Judge A. A. Phlegar, Captain J. R. Johnson and Allen I. Harless, of Christiansburg, and S. O. Bland, of Newport News, qualified for practice in the Chancery Court yesterday morning. A number of local attorneys are also engaged in the suit.

CASE IS REVERSED

Governor of Alabama Not Satisfied With One Cent Damages.

Montgomery, Ala., April 4.—With a divided tribunal, the Alabama Supreme Court yesterday reversed and remanded the case of former Governor B. B. Comer against the Montgomery Advertiser, in which the Governor was awarded 1 cent damages in the City Court of Birmingham, while he was Alabama's Executive, for the publication of an article to which he objected. The reversal was ordered mainly upon the Governor's plea that certain important evidence was excluded at the trial.

County Property Transfers.

The following deeds of bargain and sale were recorded yesterday in the office of the clerk of the Henrico county Circuit Court:

Henry S. Wallerstein to C. F. Sauer, property at northwest corner of the Broad Street Road and High Point Avenue, for $11,212.50.

Winfield Scott to C. F. Sauer, property west side of the Boulevard, nearly fifteen acres, for $14,676.

Winfield Scott to C. F. Sauer, property at northeast corner of Broad Street Road and Summit Avenue, for $5,450.

Federal Court Opens.

The first case called at the spring term of the United States Court, which began yesterday, was that of David S. Booth against Thomas B. Hammer, a suit for damages growing out of an alleged breach of contract in the sale of timber. The whole day was consumed in hearing argument.

Seaboard Air Line Earnings.

Net earnings of the Seaboard Air Line for February amounted to $669,258, a gain of $74,428 as compared with the corresponding month last year. Net earnings from July 1 to February 28 show a gain of $156,554 over the corresponding period.

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