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# STARTS SEASON AT LIVELY CLIP

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Charlottesville, Va., April 3.—Eppa Rixey, Jr., Virginia's crack southpaw, regarded as the most promising twirler in college ranks to-day, has started the season at a lively clip, and the indications are that he will surpass his great record of last year. According to the official baseball averages, published in to-day's issue of College Topics, the semi-weekly published under the auspices of the General Athletic Association of the University, Rixey up to Saturday night had a fielding percentage of 1.000 and a batting percentage of .666. Out of the six games pitched he has lost only one—that to the Washington American League Club. If he keeps up the present clip he will lead the team at bat this season.

The team as a whole is showing up very well at bat. Eight of the twelve regulars are hitting above the 200 mark. They are Rixey, McGuire, Finlay, Gould, Goodbue, Pitchett, Lile and Landes.

### Norfolk Easy for Newark.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Norfolk, Va., April 3.—Newark, after its defeat of yesterday at the hands of the local team, put its best aggregation of ball players in the field today and walloped the Tars in easy fashion. The visitors sent Gaston and Lee, their star pitchers, to the box, and the locals could not solve their delivery. The visitors also showed a remarkable reversion of form, and they played snappy big league ball throughout the nine innings. Norfolk played a miserable game in the field, eight errors being charged up against it. The visitors played an errorless game, and hit the ball hard and often.

Score by innings: R.
Norfolk .....200000001— 3
Newark .....42001211x—11

Summary: Two base hits—Lee, Collins, Hinton, Bigbie. Three base hits—Seymour, Bigbie. Stolen bases—Collins (1), W. Zimmerman (2), Kirkpatrick (1). Sacrifice fly—W. Zimmerman. Left on bases—Newark, 9; Norfolk, 5. Struck out—by Lee, 1; by Gaston, 7; by Elliott, 2. Bases on balls—off Lee, 2; off Elliott, 3; off Wright, 2. Batters hit—E. Zimmerman. Passed balls—Ryerson, 1. Hits—off Lee, 3 in 1 innings; off Gaston, 6 in 7 innings; off Elliott, 5 in 3 innings; off Wright, 3 in 3 innings; off McCrary, 3 in 2 innings. Time of game, 1:40. Umpire, Nerium.

## Bowling

The Virginians and Journals were pitted against each other in their last regular scheduled contest of the Richmond Bowling Association at the Newport last night. The Virginians secured third place by defeating the Journals two out of three. But one point separates the Journals and The Times-Dispatch, though the latter have six more games to bowl and, considering their strength, they may be counted on to give their opponents a good fight.

Thorpe rolled a beautiful series, capturing both high score and high total, with McFarland a close second. The scores:

**Virginian.**

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | Totals. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Spilling (Capt.)... | 157 | 184 | 204 | 545 |
| Williams ..... | 211 | 157 | 176 | 544 |
| Sutterlin ..... | 151 | 167 | 175 | 493 |
| Thorpe ..... | 185 | 214 | 205 | 604 |
| Bliley ..... | 156 | 117 | 132 | 405 |
| Totals ..... | 860 | 839 | 892 | 2,591 |

**Journal.**

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | Totals. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. Barrow (Capt.). | 212 | 174 | 165 | 551 |
| Fitzgerald ..... | 163 | 130 | 166 | 459 |
| John Barrow .... | 120 | 129 | 184 | 443 |
| Van Aman ..... | 204 | 176 | 185 | 565 |
| McFarland ..... | 194 | 188 | 186 | 568 |
| Totals ..... | 893 | 807 | 886 | 2,586 |

To-night at 8:30 News Leader vs. Times-Dispatch.

**Standing of Clubs.**

| | Won. | Lost. | P. C. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Remington ..... | 33 | 17 | .702 |
| Alcos ..... | 44 | 19 | .697 |
| Virginian ..... | 41 | 22 | .652 |
| Journal ..... | 34 | 32 | .492 |
| Times-Dispatch .... | 28 | 29 | .491 |
| News Leader ..... | 27 | 30 | .474 |
| Cook Printing Co. .. | 19 | 41 | .317 |
| Newport ..... | 10 | 53 | .159 |

### Announces Staff of Umpires.

Little Rock, Ark., April 3.—President William Kavanaugh, of the Southern League, to-day announced his staff of umpires for the season, as follows: Theodore Breitenstein, William Hart, William Kellum, Dan Pfenninger, Frank Rudderham, William Carpenter, Dan Fitzsummons and Jack O'Toole. Breitenstein, the veteran New Orleans pitcher, and O'Toole, who was in the New York State League last season, are the new appointees.

### Southern Leaguers Defeated.

New Orleans, April 3.—The Philadelphia American second team defeated the New Orleans Southern League club by a 4-to-3 score here to-day. Manager Charley Frank, of the New Orleans club, to-day announced that Hyder Barr, 1911 field captain, who was sold to the Cleveland club, has been returned to New Orleans.

# DOCTOR AYERS FROM HILLSVILLE A STAR

## Youngster, Now Student at Medical College of Virginia, Holds Boston Braves Well in Hand for Nine Innings, Though Colts Lose, 5 to 2.

BY GUS MALBERT.

Dr. Yancey Ayers, from near-Hillsville, Va., student at the Medical College of Virginia, intimate friend of Sidna and Floyd Allen, was the headliner at the squared circle out in Broad Street, where the Boston Braves and the Richmond Colts did battle yesterday afternoon for two hours, the result being a victory for the visitors from Tremont Square by the odds of 5 to 2.

Dr. Ayers, confessedly raised on the brand of mountain dew which first brought Hillsville fame, faced for the first time a professional ball club. He stayed the full nine innings, and though the club for which he worked went down to defeat, it was due largely to the support he received rather than to the ineffectiveness of his delivery. Young Ayres performed in a manner which would have done credit to many veterans of years training in the major leagues. Obviously unversed in the tricks of the game, depending upon his cunning and strong right arm only, he held the heavy-hitting visitors runless for five consecutive innings, and proved conclusively that he is in embryo, at least, a flinger who will attract the attention of the big folks later on.

Ayres has a great deal to learn, but he has a mighty valuable asset in his strength, his courage and his ability, to say nothing of his size and youth. At no time during the game yesterday, even though he went the entire route, was he tired. Many of the hits of the visitors were due to the heavy wind which was blowing and which made it almost impossible for the fielders to properly judge fly balls. Several of the runs scored against him were due to sore arms, when good throwing to bases would have cut off runs. All in all Ayres deserves all manner of praise and, unless his performance yesterday was above his average, will make the locals a mainstay during the Virginia League race.

The games wasn't won by the Klingites until the seventh inning. As a matter of fact they scored in but two inings, the first and seventh. In the first frame Miller hit for two two bases, after two were down, and Coates, due to the heavy gale, misjudged Jackson's fly ball, which counted for three, scoring Miller. Jackson scored when Thackera let a fast one go through his glove.

The other three came in the seventh. McDonnell was out on a fly ball to Coates. Gowdy walked and went to third on Mace's wild heave to catch him off first. Pfeffer was safe on an attempt to get Gowdy at the plate. Baker's throw was perfect, but Mace dropped the ball. Pfeffer went to third on Sweeney's smack to left, and the second baseman took second on the throwin, a foolish piece of work on the part of Coates, Pfeffer showing. Miller then hit to right and Sweeney scored, making a grand total of three.

The Colts hit the ball good and hard and really showed to far better advantage against the visitors than the score shows. It was a raw, nasty day, with the thermometer down toward the freezing point and the wind playing a merry tune in the tree tops.

Everybody was shivering, including the ball players. The remarkable part of the game was that so few errors were made. That Boston crowd played for all it was worth. During certain portions of the game it looked like a Colt victory. At no time the game looked like a contest between a class C and a major league club. The Colts were on the job at every stage, and the shooting of Ayers did credit to his Hillsville training. Graff at third, Baker at short and Griffin at second individually and as a trip did great work and covered worlds of territory. John Raley, at first, didn't show so good because of the fact that he is suffering from a sore arm, and his inability to peg accurately and swiftly accounted for at least two of the five runs scored by Kling and his crowd. Graff had seven chances and didn't even hesitate on any one of them. Baker had seven and also finished with a clean slate. Mattis didn't have a chance in the field, but at the bat hit safe three times, with a double to his credit. He was easily the hitting feature of the afternoon.

One feature, which had a bad effect on the fans because they didn't know, was that in the ninth inning, when the Colts had the bases choked, when Baker was safe on an error by Ingerton, Mace hit safely and Griffin walked, Flournoy was nowhere to be found, having gone to the clubhouse to nurse a lame ankle, which he twisted while going after a high one. Phil Hinton was compelled to bat in his place, and lifted to centre, ending the game and the hopes of the fans. The score follows:

**Richmond.**

| | AB. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Coates, lf..... | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Griffin, 2b..... | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Flournoy, cf..... | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mattis, lf..... | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Raley, 1b..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 1 |
| Graff, 3b..... | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| Baker, ss..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 0 |
| Thackera, c..... | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mace, c..... | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Ayres, p..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| *Cable ..... | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Hinton ..... | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals ..... | 33 | 2 | 8 | 27 | 19 | 4 |

**Boston.**

| | AB. | R. | H. | O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sweeney, 3b..... | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Kaiser, of..... | 5 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Miller, rf..... | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson, lf..... | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hauser, 1b..... | 5 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| Ingerton, ss..... | 4 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 1 |
| McDonnell, 2b..... | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Gowdy, c..... | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 1 |
| Brady, p..... | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Pfeffer, p..... | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| ‡Spratt ..... | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals ..... | 37 | 5 | 11 | 27 | 16 | 4 |

*Batted for Ayres in ninth.
**Batted for Flournoy in ninth.
‡Batted for Brady in seventh.

The score by innings: R.
Richmond .....0100001000—2
Boston .....2000003005—5

Summary: Two-base hits—Miller, Kaiser, Mattis. Three-base hits—Jackson, Graff. Stolen bases—Sweeney, Miller, Jackson (2), McDonnell, Gowdy. Double plays—Sweeney to Hauser; Griffin to Raley; Brady to McDonnell to Hauser; Ingerton to Hauser. Base on balls—Off Ayres, 4; off Brady, 1; off Pfeffer, 3. Left on bases—Richmond, 5; Boston, 9. Hits—Off Ayres, 11; off Brady, 7 in 6 innings; off Pfeffer, 1 in 3 innings. Struck out—By Ayers, 2; by Brady, 3. Hit by pitched balls—Griffin. Passed balls—Thackera, Gowdy. Time of game, 3 hours. Umpire, Westervelt.

# FIFTEEN PLAYERS ALREADY ON HAND

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Lynchburg, Va., April 3.—Fifteen players, not including Manager Stocksdale, were on hand to-day, and despite the raw, windy day the men got all the work that was possible for them to do. The weather was so cold at the Fair Grounds that the players experienced difficulty in keeping comfortable, and for this reason the work was very light.

The first game for the team will be played next Monday morning with Greensboro, and by that time the men generally will have had enough work to get the soreness out of them. The men now in camp are:

Gross and Braum, catchers; O'Brien, Allen, Lovett, Dreaning and Starke, pitchers; Bagwell, Zannelli, Barth, Bowen and Keating, infielders; Morrison, Nixon and Johnson, outfielders.

Reports are that Al Hummel, the Cleveland infielder, expects to be here to-morrow, and by that time Pitcher Vickery, of Georgia, ought to be on hand.

### Oklahoma Team Bryanized.

Oklahoma City, Okla., April 3.—The first division of the Chicago American League team romped on the Oklahoma City club, of the Oklahoma State League, here to-day and won, 16 to 1. The Chicago team left to-night for Wichita.

### New York Nationals Win.

Washington, April 3.—The New York Nationals defeated the Washington Americans for the second time here to-day, 6 to 5. The Washington team went to pieces in the ninth inning and New York scored four runs and the game.

### Hampden-Sidney Wins.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Blacksburg, Va., April 3.—Hampden-Sidney defeated V. P. I. to-day.

Score: R. H.
Hampden-Sidney .....4 7
V. P. I. .....3 5

Batteries: Hampden-Sidney, Lewis and Saunders; V. P. I., Evans and Legge.

# FREDERICKSBURG PLAYS COLLEGE

Richmond College and Fredericksburg College will play a game of baseball at Broad Street Park this afternoon. Both teams are fit as a fiddle, and each expects to gain a victory. Richmond College has put in some hard licks during the week, and the game will give an opportunity to the friends of the team to get a line on what has been accomplished by Coach McNeil. The game will begin promptly at 4 o'clock.

## WILL IS UPHELD

### Efforts to Break Last Testament of Mrs. Nowlan Fail.

Under instructions of Judge Grinnan, the jury in the Chancery Court yesterday sustained the last will and testament of Mrs. Bettie C. Nowlan, which was admitted to probate. The estate is valued at $150,000, being in the main that of her husband, the late Thomas Nowlan.

The complainant was Mrs. Mary C. Murgiono, of Norfolk, a niece of Mrs. Nowlan, who questioned the regularity of the will on the ground that it was not regularly signed. Each sheet of the will was signed by the testatrix on the margain, the last one being similarly signed, there being no signature at the foot of the writing.

Judge Grinnan sustained a demurrer to the evidence, and instructed the jury verdict, it being evident that the document was in fact the last will and the evident desire of the testator for the division of her property among her relatives.

### Beat Son With Bat.

Herman Johnson, colored, small son of Cora Jefferson, colored, of 113 East Byrd Street, was severely beaten by the woman yesterday with a baseball bat. He was so badly bruised that his mother became frightened and notified the City Hospital. Dr. J. J. Hoicher, ambulance surgeon, responded, and rendered treatment. The woman said her son had misbehaved, and she wished to punish him and could find no instrument of torture other than the bat.

### College Baseball.

At Macon, Ga.—Mercer, 12; Gordon Institute, 3.

At Columbia—University of South Carolina, 11; Pennsylvania State, 7.

At Chapel Hill, N. C.—University of North Carolina, 11; Amherst, 10.

At Winston-Salem, N. C.—Winston-Salem, 0; New York Nationals, 6.

At Lexington, Va.—Virginia Military Institute, 9; St. John's, of Annapolis, 6.

At Elon College—Elon, 8; Eastern College 4.

### Detroit Plays Tie Game.

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 3.—The Chattanooga Southern League team and the Detroit regulars played a ten-inning tie game here to-day, 4 to 4. Mullin and Pernoll pitched for the American League team, with More and Hollenbeck twirling for the locals.

### Goobers Are Blanked.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Petersburg, Va., April 3.—The New York Americans closed their series with Petersburg this evening by winning by a score of 3 to 0. For six innings Hedgpeth and Hughes kept the Americans down to two singles, but in the eighth inning Hughes got wild after being hit for a two-bagger and hit the next man up, following with a base on balls and a single, brought two men home.

The home team showed up better in today's game than it has since the practice games commenced, and the fans are confident that the Goobers will start out with as good a team as any of the other cities in the league.

### SEVENTEEN SQUADS COMPETE IN SHOOTING TOURNAMENT

New York, April 3.—Seventeen squads of five men each competed to-day in the seventh annual amateur trap-shooting tournament, which began at Travers Island, under the auspices of the New York Athletic Club. The weather was bright and clear, but a heavy wind from the northwest hampered the gunners.

An event at sixty targets resulted in a tie between H. W. Kahler, of Philadelphia, national amateur champion, and C. H. Newcomb, of Philadelphia, each having broken fifty-three targets.

A contest at 100 targets was won by Ernest A. Randall, of Portland, Me, with 92.

H. W. Kahler, of Philadelphia, was second, with 90, and R. L. Spotts, New York A. C., tied with Dr. C. H. Burr, of Montpelier, Vt., for third, with 88. Spotts won the shoot-off. The tournament will be concluded to-morrow with the national championship shoot at 200 targets, for which there are more than 100 entries. G. L. Lyon, of Durham, N. C., made a score of 88 in the 100-target event.

### Too Much Water—No Game.

Nashville, Tenn., April 3.—Water between seven and eight feet deep on the local Southern League baseball park caused the calling off of the exhibition game scheduled here to-day between Nashville and the Boston American regulars.

## F. S. FLEMING

He is just twenty-two years old and weighs but 155 pounds, but he is one of the widest awake managers in the amateur ranks of Richmond. He is manager of the Red Sox team in the Richmond League, a Class B organization, but he is up to the highest class when it comes to getting a team together. He has been playing amateur ball for about eight years, and last season was with the Pirates, a team he managed at one time in his career. He is secretary and treasurer of the Richmond City League, which shows the esteem in which he is held by his teammates. A good season is what the manager of the Red Sox is looking forward to.

## Auto Owners, Attention!

At a meeting of the Amateur Baseball Commission of Richmond, held at the First Regiment Armory last night, it was decided to ask the help of every owner of an automobile in the city of Richmond, including the dealers, in making the second annual parade of the teams represented in the several leagues of this city a huge success. A committee, appointed by President Julien H. Hill, and composed of Gus Malbert, sporting editor of The Times-Dispatch; Minitree Folkes, Commonwealth's Attorney of the city of Richmond; Colonel John S. Harwood, member of the State Legislature; Dr. W. H. Parker and Zack F. Woodall, sporting editor of the Richmond Evening Journal, was appointed to ask not only the individual owners of automobiles, but the dealers as well, to help. About seventy-five cars are needed. The captains of each of the clubs in each of the leagues are also members of this committee, and each team is expected to take care of its members.

Governor Mann and Mayor Richardson are expected to make addresses to the men before the parade starts. Everybody will gather on the south side of the Capitol at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon. After the speech-making the parade will start. The committee has not yet decided upon the route of the parade, but it will traverse the principal streets of the city. Unfortunately the Richmond League will be unable to take active part because of the nonarrival of the uniforms, but the members of this league and of all other leagues whose uniforms have not arrived are asked to be present.

It is expected that this second parade of the amateurs will be the greatest event in amateur sports which has occurred in Richmond in the history of the city. Nearly 2,000 amateurs are interested. The parade will be headed by a band. Immediately after the parade the teams will disperse to their several parks, and the season will be on. Following is a list of the teams which will oppose each other on opening day:

OLD DOMINION LEAGUE.

Tyler's Champions vs. Woodall & Quarles, at Byrd Park.
Barton Heights vs. Horace S. Wright Co., at Barton Heights.
Kahns of Richmond vs. Cairos, at Athletic Park.

CAPITAL CITY LEAGUE.

Collegians vs. Richmond Grays.
Athletics vs. Southern Bell.
Battle Axe vs. Ashland.

RICHMOND LEAGUE.

American Clothing Co. vs. Red Sox, at Byrd Park.
Burk & Co. vs. Hillsiders, at Spring Hill.
Imperials vs. Fairmount Eagles, at Oakwood.

CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Hustlers vs. Ramblers, at Byrd Park.
Giants vs. Cubs, at Harvey Park.
Cardinals vs. Harpies, at East End Park.

Every dealer and owner of an automobile in Richmond is expected to help in this great cause. It has come to be an institution in Richmond, and the man who fails is helping to make Richmond less progressive.

The matter of renting Christ Church Park for the Athletics and the Battle Axe nines was deferred until a future meeting of the commission.

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## Colts' Regulars Tackle Rookies

Even though no game against regularly scheduled antagonists is scheduled for to-day, Steve Griffin, manager of the Colts, is determined that his charges shall not remain idle. He has arranged a game between what he calls his reserves and his first calls for this morning, the melee to start at 11 o'clock, provided the weather man will furnish a nice variety from his assortment. In the parlance of the day, the squad will be divided into rookies and regulars. They will line up as follows, according to Manager Steve:

| REGULARS. | YANNIGANS. |
|---|---|
| Coates, lf. | Spenry, ss. |
| Griffin, 2b. | Cable, ss. |
| Flournoy, cf. | Hinton, 2b. |
| Mattis, cf. | Mace, 1b. |
| Raley, 1b. | Brady, lf. |
| Graff, 3b. | Strain, cf. |
| Baker, ss. | Verbout, rf. |
| Thackera, c. | Lucia, c. |
| Muster, p. | Camburn, p. |
| | McMahon, p. |

It will be seen that Steve has given pretty nearly every member of his squad a chance to get in action. The result of the game will be watched with interest. The Yannigans are composed mostly of pitchers and catchers. What the regulars will do remains to be seen.

# FORD ARRIVES TO BUILD NEW PARK

## Expert Thinks New Home of United States League Here Will Be Gem.

Duff Ford, from Columbus, Ohio, came to town yesterday. He will be the parkkeeper of Lee Park. The first crack out of the box he started driving stakes. Al Newnham, manager of the locals in the United States League, piloted the newcomer out to the new lot and showed him the ground he will be compelled to work on. "Gee, but this is a cinch," was the first utterance of the optimistic Duff. "I thought you had something hard to do. All that's necessary is a few loads of dirt, and there you are."

Duff is an amiable sort of a person with a penchant for hard work and tough problems. For more than four years he had charge of the lot in Columbus. He knows the kind of dirt out of which a diamond can be built by intuition. Having been around baseball parks for a number of years, and being acquainted with everything in connection with playing grounds, he is in a position to know.

The suggeston was made that to-day might be too cold to start activities against Dame Nature. "Go to it lad," opined Duff, in that paticular drawl which is peculiar to the Middle West. "It never is too cold to work on a ball yard. Why I remember in the wnter of '54——" after which a hasty retreat was necessary in order to avoid Duff's lengthy exhibition of why he would be on the job when the sun was still lurking peacefully behind gentle clouds in the last nap before dawn demanded his appearance.

Ford will begin to-day. He doesn't quite know when he will finish, but he is absolutely certain that it will be long before May 1. "I have seen many places which looked a great deal worse to me than this. Just a few loads of dirt properly applied and the grounds will be finished." Hauling of the dirt needed will begin when Duff gives the order to start work. A little filling and oiling is necessary, and then the wear of the players will give the final touches.

Incidentially orders for the uniforms of the local club were given yesterday. The uniforms for home work will be white with black trimmings. The initials will be on the sleeves. The traveling coats are handsome affairs of the same material. Stockings will be black, while the caps will be white with black cords. For out of town use the uniforms will be gray, with Richmond strung across the shirt front.

Saturday transportation will be sent to the twenty-one players signed. They will report at Suffolk. Al Newnham will leave for Suffolk Monday morning to receive the men as they come in. Out in Pittsburgh, Exposition Park, which was leased by Barney Dreyfuss, whose lease expird a fw days ago, has been occupied by the United Statesers. Carpenters and builders are now on the grounds. The same is true in all of the cities of the league. Players are reporting, and those who scoff to the contrary, the season will begin May 1.

## AMATEUR BASEBALL NOTES

The Collegians defeated John Marshall High School at Byrd Park yesterday in a practice game. Both teams suffered from the cold.

The Collegians will tackle Jack Grim's Shipbuilders in Newport News next Tuesday. Charlie Shaffer has been trying to arrange a game with the local sandlotters, but has been unsuccessful up to the present time.

Dr. W. H. Parker's Battle Axe nine has agreed to lick McGuire's School to-day. It will be a big contract.

Dr. C. W. Eason, president of the Capitol City League, is anxious to secure good umpires. He is willing to pay good money for the services of arbitrators, and any desiring steady jobs are invited to get into communication with him, either directly to his place of business, or through the amateur baseball editor of The Times-Dispatch.

### Tables Turned on Amherst.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Chapel Hill, N. C., April 3.—The University of North Carolina baseball team, which was defeated yesterday by Amherst College to the tune of 5 to 3, turned the tables on the Bay State lads to-day, shaving a close victory of 11 to 10. It was a hitting game from the first inning.

### Jimmy Clabby a Winner.

Sidney, Australia, April 3.—Jimmy Clabby, the American boxer and Australian middleweight champion, to-day defeated Mehegan, who holds the lightweight championship, on points in a twenty-round contest for the welterweight championship in the stadium here.

# MATTIS BELONGS NOW TO RICHMOND

Ralph Mattis, the boy who last season was drafted by the Washington club, of the American League, is now the property of the Richmond team in fee simple. Owner W. B. Bradley gave forth this information last night. A report had been circulated to the effect that Mattis had been returned to Richmond with a string attached. Mr. Bradley denied this. "We bought Mattis, and he is ours," is what he said to the sporting editor of this paper last night. He would not say whether or not he had paid the draft price—$500—for the return of the player.

Mattis is a valuable piece of baseball property. The boy is still so young that he has a great many years of usefulness before him. One or two clubs are now after his services, but they do not feel like being placed in the market against the highest bidder. In other words, they do not feel like putting a price on the boy if Washington is to be told of the price offered, and then told that if the management there meets that price it will have the preference. Mattis looks better to-day than he did any time last season.

Owner Bradley stated that While Washington would be given teh preference the highest bidder could get Mattis, though the player would not be delivered until the end of teh season.

### Consider Lighting Franchise.

A subcommittee of the Council Committee on Streets will meet to-night at 8 o'clock to consider the petition of the Richmond and Henrico Railway Company for a lighting franchise. The matter has been pending for several months.

The committee on Streets failed of a quorum last night, and has been called to meet to-morrow night at 8 o'clock, with an enormous docket of important papers, some of which have been pending for more than two months.

### Building Permit.

A building permit was issued yesterday to T. L. Perkins to erect a two-story brick tenement, two dwellings, on the north side of Cary Street between Marris and Short Streets, to cost $5,900.

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# M'GUIRES WILL PLAY FORK UNION

McGuire's University School will play Fork Union Academy at Fork Union on Saturday. These two schools have been rivals for many moons, and the game will be contested from beginning to end. McGuire's will carry away practically the entire championship team of last season, which won the prep school trophy of Richmond.

### Lynch Estate $1,500.

The will of former Councilman John J. Lynch was admitted to probate in the Chancery Court yesterday, the estate being left to his sisters, Misses Lucy and Annie Lynch. The estate is valued at $1,500.

## AMUSEMENTS.

### Russian Dancers Really Coming.

After many "Yea, yeas," and "Nay, nays," and a discussion extending through many months and reams of correspondence, the vexed question of a second appearance of the Imperial Russian Dancers has been finally settled.

They are coming—truly, really, certainly, assuredly, undoubtedly, unquestionably, definitely, positively, and finally they are coming.

This time the word comes not from Max Rabinoff, Importer, nor Morris Gest, Managing Director, but from the independent impressario who has already given to Richmond, in the appearance of the marvelous Tetrazzini, the greatest event of many a season.

At a late hour last night Manager Leo Wise closed a contract, by long distance telephone, with Mrs. Mary Pace Groner for the appearance at the Academy of Music on April 8, Easter Monday, of Volinine, Schmolz and a supporting company worthy of these wonderful artists, including several of the glittering stars of the Winter Garden.

### "Baby Mine" Coming.

"Baby Mine," Margaret Mayo's laughing success, direct from a run of a solid year at Daly's Theatre in New York, is announced as the attraction which comes to the Academy Wednesday and Thursday, April 10 and 11, with a special matinee on Thursday, under the management of William A. Brady, Ltd.

The success which "Baby Mine" has had in New York is now being duplicated at Sir Charles Wyndham's Criterion Theatre, in London, England. Few comedies are as continuously funny as "Baby Mine," which literally has a "laugh in every line." How exquisite the pleasure one derives in seeing this roaring comedy, which has made such a pronounced success in the United States and London. There is an ecstacy that mothers feel as the many amusing conditions and numerous complications come in the play, and the possibilities of which they can understand. The fun and laughter which prevail throughout act like a gleam of sunshine in a low sky on the audience. The complex situations which induce such vehement outbursts of laughter and screams of delight, and the sensational and ludicrous antics of the young husband, when he first fondles and talks to his first-born, excite the emotion and memory of many who have experienced similar moments. The play, from start to end, provokes a shaft of penetrating humor and pleasure. Seats on sale to-day.

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