

POLICE DEPARTMENT NOT AN INFORMATION BUREAU

Chief Werner Issues Declaration of Independence From Queries Not of Police Nature.

CANNOT SETTLE CIVIL MATTERS

New Called On for Commercial Ratings, Evidence in Divorce Cases and to Collect Debts.

Constantly troubled by inquiries concerning everything under the sun, from the commercial rating of a man to information on which to base an action for divorce, Major Werner yesterday issued a general letter to draw attention to the fact that the Richmond Police Department can concern itself only with criminal matters and such other matters as are properly under police jurisdiction.

ISSUES GENERAL STATEMENT

The letter follows: "Department of Police, City of Richmond, Va."

"This department cannot undertake to report upon the reputation, standing or commercial rating of any individual or firm, or upon the character of any person, mode of life, etc., of any person not officially charged with crime. It may in its discretion, however, undertake investigations as to missing persons, etc., when the inquiry is vouched for by the applicant's local peace officers to be with a proper motive. Persons wishing information concerning missing relatives, friends, etc., should first apply to their local police, constable or other officials concerned with police matters, in order that it may be determined whether the applicant is a proper person to receive the information asked for and the inquiry is made in good faith and from proper motives."

"The department cannot undertake to secure or furnish any information or evidence upon which to base divorces or other civil actions. "The department cannot undertake to secure or furnish certificates of marriages, births or deaths. The Health Department of this city is the custodian of such records. "In general, if you wish to consult this department in reference to any matter you are interested in, it will be glad to try to lay the facts before your local peace officers, who can advise you whether or not it is a matter for police action. (Signed) LOUIS WERNER, Chief of Police."

NO REPORT MADE ON PLAN FOR STREET BOND ISSUE

Council Finance Committee Recommends Appropriation of \$5,584 to Rebuild Chancery Courthouse.

The Council Finance Committee last night took no action on the question of issuing a \$100,000 street bond issue for short-term bonds for street improvements. It had been expected that the committee would report on the request transmitted to it by the Board of Aldermen asking for a definite report, and the board at its regular meeting report by the committee was asked to report on the request. The committee report, which will be held on Tuesday night, will be held on Tuesday night.

Although no statement from the committee has been forthcoming, it is believed in many quarters that the issue for street improvements will be authorized, and that the bonds will be taken over by the sinking fund. It will be the first bond issue entirely for street improvements in the history of the city.

OPINIONS ANNOUNCED

United States Circuit Court of Appeals Reversed in Profit Dividend Case.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals reversed yesterday morning in a \$100,000 profit dividend case. The court announced and handed down its opinion in the case of Pritchard and Woods in attendance. The court announced and handed down its opinion in the case of Pritchard and Woods in attendance. The court announced and handed down its opinion in the case of Pritchard and Woods in attendance.

No. 1234, Sarah Kirk, plaintiff in error, vs. West Virginia Colliery Company, a corporation, defendant in error; error to the District Court at Huntington, W. Va. Opinion by Judge Holt.

No. 1235, Christian J. Copeland, appellant, vs. M. Horak, appellee; appeal from the District Court at Charleston, S. C. in bankruptcy. Opinion by Judge Woods. Reversed.

No. 1241, The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Co., plaintiff in error, vs. Claude L. Profit, defendant in error; error to the District Court at Richmond. Argued by David H. Leake, of Richmond, for the plaintiff in error, and by C. W. Meredith and Hill Carter, of Richmond, for the defendant in error, and submitted.

There will be no oral arguments in cases to-day, Saturday being set aside under the rule as conference day, and judges will only hear cases argued during the present week.

Cases in call Monday: No. 1245, Charles Gring, claimant of steam tug Curtin, appellant, vs. William S. Bensten, appellee; appeal from the District Court at Norfolk. To be argued by Riddleberger & Koper, of Norfolk, for the appellant, and by Hughes, Little & Sewell, of Norfolk, for the appellee.

No. 1248, Norfolk Sand and Gravel Corporation, plaintiff in error, and defendant in error, vs. The Ocean Locomotive Crane Company, defendant in error and cross-plaintiff in error; error to the District Court at Norfolk. To be argued by Riddleberger & Koper, of Norfolk, for the plaintiff in error, and by White, of Norfolk, for the defendant in error and cross-plaintiff in error.

Dr. Winn Returns. Dr. John Winn has returned from Westmoreland County, where he was called professionally several days ago.

DEATHS

TABB.—Died, at his late residence, Thursday, May 7, at 10 P. M., DR. H. CABELL TABB.

FUNERAL.—TO-DAY at 4 P. M. from Seventh Street Christian Church.

INDE.—Died, Thursday, May 7, at 2 o'clock, HETTER, a two-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. T. Inge. Interment will be in Oakwood Cemetery TO-DAY at 11 o'clock.

Salon in Jesus.

BIMPSON.—Died, at Stuart Circle Hospital, Thursday, 6:20 A. M., MRS. F. M. SIMPSON, beloved wife of Rev. T. M. Simpson.

FUNERAL.—Funeral from Monument Methodist Church at 6 P. M. TO-DAY, May 9.

GOVERNOR CRAIG INVITED TO ROAD CONVENTION

Large Attendance Is Anticipated by Rural Road Improvement League Officials.

The Rural Road Improvement League has invited Governor Locke CRAIG, of North Carolina, to be one of the speakers at its first convention, which will be held in Richmond on May 27-30. The movement for personal labor on the roads of the State since it was inaugurated by Governor Stuart's official vehicle, has been gaining strength steadily. It is confidently expected that thousands of men in all sections of the State will attend the program for the convention on Road Day May 21, and swing a shovel or pick-axe on the roads nearest their homes.

President J. S. Potts, of the Rural Road Improvement League, has prepared an attractive program for the convention, which is expected to draw a large number of delegates to Richmond. In addition to Governor Craig, who helped the movement in North Carolina by working a road machine himself on Road Day, the following speakers will address the convention: Logan Waller Page, chief of the United States Office of Public Roads; United States Senator Claude A. Swanson, of Virginia; Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist of North Carolina and head of the road work in that State; Congressman Andrew Jackson Montague, of the third district, and Delegate H. M. Bonifant, of Powhatan County.

The officers of the Rural Road Improvement League are busy preparing for Road Day celebrations. There is a local organization of the league in every county, headed in most instances by the county's representatives in the General Assembly. In practically every county the citizens who volunteer their physical labor on Road Day will be assigned to work on sections of road near their own dwellings under the supervision of the county road board. Second Auditor Roosevelt Page, who is prominently identified with the movement, has volunteered to swing a shovel in one of the Road Day parades in Hanover County.

OBITUARY

Mrs. T. McN. Simpson.

Mrs. Joacasta Gray Simpson, wife of Rev. Thomas McN. Simpson, D. D., presiding elder of Richmond District, Virginia Methodist Conference, died yesterday morning at 6:30 o'clock at Stuart Circle Hospital. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock from Monument Methodist Church.

Resides in the city. Mrs. Simpson leaves four daughters—Miss Mary, Miss Janie B., Lellie W. and Helen L. Simpson—and three sons—T. McN. Simpson, Jr., of Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C.; and John Simpson, of Rockingham, N. C., and John Simpson, of this city. She also leaves two sisters—Mrs. Robert Winfree, of Lynchburg, Va., and Mrs. M. E. Gillam, of Windsor, N. C.

Mrs. Simpson was, before marriage, Miss Joacasta Gray, of Windsor, N. C. She was educated at Wesleyan Female College, of Murfreesboro, N. C. She spent a great deal of her life in this country. Her husband had been pastor of different Methodist churches, including Clay Street, of Richmond; Memorial, of Lynchburg; Lynn Street, of Danville; Monumental, of Portsmouth, and Main Street, of Farmville.

A. H. Wooten.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHESAPE CITY, Va., May 8.—H. Wooten, buyer of the American Tobacco Company, died at his home here at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, after a lingering illness. He was about forty years of age, and is survived by his wife and three children. Funeral services will be conducted from the residence tomorrow afternoon, and interment will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Lula Williams.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) KING GEORGE, Va., May 8.—Mrs. Lula Williams, wife of Dr. Christine Williams, died at her home, Oak Grove, Westmoreland County, yesterday after an illness of one month, aged thirty-eight years. She was the oldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor, of Westmoreland, and was well known throughout the State. Her husband, she is survived by an infant, three sisters and one brother.

Joseph Wetzel.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) STANDARDSVILLE, Va., May 8.—Joseph Wetzel, who lived a short distance from the old Wetzel post-office, was found dead in bed on Monday morning by his wife. He had passed away during the night without a struggle, apparently. Although Mr. Wetzel's health had not been good for some time, he had seemed better of late. Mr. Wetzel was seventy-four years old. He had a mechanical trade of mind, and he was a broom factory and printing office. He was also a surveyor. Mr. Wetzel married Miss Manella Dehl. There are two surviving sons—Samuel Wetzel, at home, and George Wetzel, of Washington.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon, and was largely attended. Rev. Mr. Sanger conducted the service. Interment was in the graveyard near his home. Mr. Wetzel was a member of the Church of the Brethren for years.

Mrs. Ann Walker.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LYNCHBURG, Va., May 8.—Ann Walker, wife of William T. Walker, died early this morning at her home, 392 Main Street. Mrs. Walker was a native of Bedford County.

Mrs. Marie Celeste Waugh.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LYNCHBURG, Va., May 8.—Mrs. Marie Celeste Waugh, of this city, died last night at the Lynchburg Sanatorium, death following a surgical operation. She was fifty-eight years of age and was a native of Louisiana. In 1884 she married W. McC. Waugh, who died in the same hospital ten days ago.

Mrs. W. McC. Waugh's surviving children are W. McC. Waugh, Jr., of Lynchburg; Mrs. H. V. Conley, of Wilmington, N. C., and Misses Marris and Rosa Waugh, of Lynchburg.

Mrs. R. R. Roberts.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LAWRENCEVILLE, Va., May 8.—Mrs. R. R. Roberts, aged forty-five years, died at her home near Dolphin on Thursday morning after a long illness. The home of the decedent was formerly in Ruffin, N. C., from which she moved with her husband to Brunswick County several years ago. Mrs. Roberts is survived by her husband, three sons and four daughters. The funeral was conducted this afternoon at the Dolphin Baptist Church by Rev. S. C. Hilliard.

Mrs. Elizabeth Griffin.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, Va., May 8.—Mrs. E. Griffin, wife of G. R. Griffin, of Stafford County, died last night at her home at Garrisonville, after an illness of several months, aged fifty years. She is survived by her husband, ten children, two brothers and three sisters.

FUNERAL NOTICE

BACON.—The funeral of MRS. MARY BACON will be held THIS AFTERNOON at 2:30 o'clock from the First Baptist Church. All friends are invited.

GOLDEN GATE SHRINERS WILL REACH HERE TO-DAY

To Be Welcomed at Station by Local Temple and Detachment of Militia.

CONCERT IN CAPITOL SQUARE

Entertainment to Be Provided for Visiting Californians at Richmond Hotel—On Way to Atlanta.

Golden Gate Shriners will make a peaceful invasion of this city to-day to rest up from the long journey East, and to prepare for the arduous campaign of next week, when they descend upon the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in session at Atlanta, with the determination to annex the 1915 convention for San Francisco. The big delegation of Californians will arrive here in four special trains, and will be met by local Shriners and a military escort.

The Californians will arrive at 6:25 o'clock over the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and the four special trains will be parked at the old ball grounds on West Broad Street. Here the visitors will be met by their hosts, and after the march to Richmond Hotel, will be welcomed to the city officially by Governor H. C. Stuart, Mayor George Ainslie and Congressman Andrew Jackson Montague. A short entertainment will be held on the roof of the hotel, after which supper will be served. The visitors will leave at 11 o'clock for Atlanta.

"TEN-MILLION-DOLLAR BAND" TO GIVE CONCERT IN SQUARE

Traveling with the Shriners is the famous "Ten Million Dollar Band" of 120 pieces. This band is said to be the wealthiest in America, and contains many noted musicians, including Franz Heile, late of Sousa's Band, who composed a trip abroad to play with one of the royal bands of Hungary to accompany the touring Californians. The band will give a big concert at 9 o'clock in Capitol Square.

There are more than 500 Shriners in the California delegation. They hail from all parts of that State, but have united for the thirty-day trip. With them are about seventy-five women and children. On each train a large collection of the party gives generously at each stop from the four carloads of raisins, oranges, fruits and flowers and literature from the great Western State.

The visitors have a grand marshal, under command of Colonel George Gilmer, one of the Spanish-American War heroes. These teams have great ability in executing intricate manoeuvres, and will exhibit their skill while here.

The visitors will be met in Washington by a committee from Acca Temple, composed of Clinton L. Williams, W. H. Adams and Walker Cottrell. Harry B. Tabb, a former member of Islam Temple, of San Francisco, will accompany the party.

ORDERS ISSUED FOR MILITARY FORMATION

When the Californians detrain they will be met by Acca Temple and the military escort. Colonel H. McC. Buntington, chief marshal of the parade, has issued the following orders:

Assemble 6:15 o'clock, detachment from Richmond Light Infantry Blues at Allen Avenue, with its left resting on the south side of Broad Street; Richmond Gray's Battalion, First Infantry, Major Lawrence T. Price; auto containing Potentate G. Jeter Jones, Chief Marshal Buntington; Acca Temple Parade, J. E. Rose, Jr., captain; California Band, California patrol, California nobles on foot, four abreast, with Aide Edward G. Schmidt in charge; Acca Temple nobles on foot, Aide Percy J. Straus in charge automobiles for visiting women.

The line of march will be as follows: Leave Broad Street at Allen Avenue, south on Allen Avenue, crossing Lee Monument, to Franklin, east on Franklin to Fifth, north on Fifth to Broad, east on Broad to Eleventh, north on Eleventh to Capitol, west on Capitol to Richmond Hotel.

Scoutmaster Crenshaw has detailed 150 Boy Scouts to aid in preserving order at Capitol Square during the concert.

WILL ERECT STEEL CAGE FOR FEDERAL PRISONERS

Secure Place of Detention to Be Installed at Request of United States Marshal Saunders.

In order that dangerous criminals can be confined while awaiting arraignment in the United States District Court, or before the State Attorney, a steel cage will be purchased and erected in the Federal building. Postmaster Hay T. Thornton, who is also custodian of the building, asked for bids Saturday on recommendation of United States Marshal John G. Saunders.

The cage is to be made of steel bars, and will be about ten feet square. It will be installed in the marshal's rooms, and will be used only in case of necessity, and will not be utilized for the confinement of prisoners at night-time, but only while waiting action by the courts.

Under an arrangement with the Board of Supervisors of Henrico County, all Federal prisoners in the Eastern District of Virginia are kept in the Henrico Jail pending trial, or while under sentence of the court. More than a dozen of these prisoners are now serving short terms in that institution, which is recognized as one of the strongest small prisons in Virginia. It has held some of the most desperate prisoners ever confined here, and its escape record is unblemished.

Marshal Saunders took charge of the office in this city on May 1, and is rapidly getting into the routine of his duties as chief of the office, but no other changes have been made. After the bids are received and accepted, Mr. Thornton will make application for an appropriation to cover the cost of the cage and its installation.

FUNERAL OF THE VICTIM

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ESOMONT, Va., May 8.—The remains of Elias Edwards, who was killed on April 23 in the mine disaster at Eceels, W. Va., were brought here on Tuesday and interred in the cemetery adjoining Mount Zion Church. Mr. Edwards, who was a descendant of the early English settlers of Pennsylvania, was born in this State in March, 1854, and came to Virginia at eighteen years of age. In 1873 he married a Miss Harrison, of Abemarle County, and afterwards made his home at Howardsville. He is survived by seven children—Mrs. P. J. Butler and Mrs. S. Gentry, of Esomont; Mrs. R. L. Fields, of Arroyhead; Mrs. Edgar Cobbs, of Howardsville; Mrs. Henry Clements, of Scottsville; L. L. Edwards, of Richmond; Mrs. P. L. Robertson, of Gilberts.

HAMILTON—MCHEE.

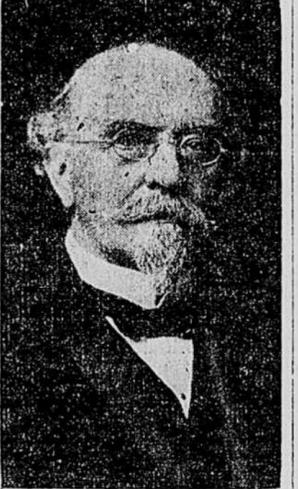
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, Va., May 8.—Russell Hamilton, of Mineral, Louisa County, and Miss Addie V. McChie, of Orange County, were united in matrimony at the Rhoadesville Church, in Orange County, Rev. Melville Leaman performing the ceremony.

FUNERAL OF DR. H. C. TABB WILL TAKE PLACE TO-DAY

Well-Known Physician Was Medical Director of Life Insurance Company of Virginia.

SERVED IN CONFEDERATE ARMY

Was Surgeon at Chlmborazo Hospital During Latter Part of War—Had Distinguished Career.



DR. H. CABELL TABB.

The funeral of Dr. H. Cabell Tabb will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock from Seventh Street Christian Church, with Rev. H. D. C. MacLachlan, D. D., officiating.

Dr. Tabb, who was seventy-six years old, died on Thursday night at 10 o'clock at his home, 3912 Monument Avenue, after an illness of several weeks. He was former surgeon in the Confederate army, and was one of the best known physicians in the city.

Dr. Tabb was born here on March 2, 1849. He was the youngest of twelve children of Philip Mayo Tabb, of the Sanford branch, and of Martha Mayo, sister of Joseph Mayo, former Mayor of this city. When he was about eight years old, his father moved to the farm, "Reveille," on Cary Street Road, which was the home of the family for many years.

When a boy, Dr. Tabb was taught by Mr. Ferguson, who conducted a school in Charles City County, and later he attended David Turner's school, and Richmond College. His medical education was received at the Medical College of Virginia, from which he graduated in 1870.

Dr. Tabb took up his professional work at City Point, but at the outbreak of the Civil War he entered the ranks of the Confederate army as a private in Company K, Prince George Troop, Thirty-eighth Virginia Cavalry. He saw considerable service. In March, 1862, he was detailed for surgical duty at Chlmborazo Hospital in this city, and served in the medical department of the Confederacy until the close of the war. He then settled in Richmond and has lived here continuously.

On April 10, 1867, Dr. Tabb married Miss Belle Pugh, of Petersburg, who now survives him with two children, Miss Hester Cabell Tabb and T. Garnett Tabb, Jr. Dr. Tabb was appointed medical director of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia, and continued in that office until his death. He retired from active practice in 1890, and devoted his entire time to the insurance work.

Dr. Tabb was one of the founders of the National Medical Directors' Association, and was its president for a number of years. He was also a charter member of the Alumni Association of the Medical College of Virginia. He had a wide circle of warm friends, and was for many years a member of the First Street Christian Church, from which the funeral will be held.

The following will serve as pallbearers: Active: G. L. Fairbanks, Robert B. Campbell, B. M. Kent, Walter Holladay, Frank B. Hall, S. D. DeWitt, G. Stewart Hume, Harvey C. Brown. Honorary: John G. Walker, A. S. Hurt, W. W. Arehart, E. D. Harris, W. H. Rogerson, Judge Daniel Grinnan, A. Selwyn Blair, T. A. Cary, Dr. J. H. Girdersleeve, Dr. Charles A. Mercer, Oliver J. Sands, Dr. George Ben Johnston, S. T. Beveridge, Dr. H. W. Randolph, C. W. Brockmorton, Peter McWilliams, Dr. George Ross, D. C. Tompkins, T. M. Hundley.

The Richmond Academy of Medicine and Surgery, of which Dr. Tabb was a member, will meet this afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Westmoreland Club to take suitable action on his death.

BLUES CELEBRATE THEIR ANNIVERSARY TO-NIGHT

Another Issue of "The Blue Booster" First from the Press, and It is Even Better Than the Initial Number of the quarterly publication for which the entertainment committee of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues Battalion stands sponsor. As its predecessor, the paper is boosting the 125th anniversary of the organization, the celebration of which will be held this afternoon and to-night at the Blues' Army.

The paper continues as a four-column folio, and is well illustrated. Its front page carries extracts from the minutes of the old command of the organization, showing how the first series of 1836, 1839, 1843 and 1847 were carried out. A four-column set depicts scenes of 100 years, and fifty years ago, and the artists' dream of what to-night will bring forth. The fourth page of the paper is given over to the Woman's Department, still edited by Corporal Milnes F. Neal. Besides its "Advice to the Lovelorn," the spring series are described in detail by Private George W. Epps, whose vision was somewhat clouded by the war talk.

Perhaps the hit of the issue is a sketch of the "Japanese Schoolboy" type, entitled "Why Are the Governor's Orders?" The apology to Wallace Irwin, originator of the famous letters, was hardly necessary. The celebration to-night will be a great affair. The committee has made all arrangements for the big cabaret performance. It is expected that 1,000 guests will be present.

SUNDAY SERVICE ON WEST POINT BRANCH

Effective Sunday, May 10, Southern Railway announces present week day trains 21 and 22 between Richmond and West Point to become daily, including Sunday trains on same schedule, as week day service. This means double daily local service on the Southern Railway from West Point branch, effective May 10.

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NEW REGULATIONS WILL GOVERN MONEY ORDERS

After July 1 the Use of This Form of Currency Transfer Will Be Greatly Facilitated.

Postmaster Hay T. Thornton has received detailed instructions in regard to the payment of money orders under the new postal regulations, which go into effect on July 1. The ruling permits the payment of domestic orders at any money order station within thirty days after issuance. It will be of advantage, not only in the business world, but will be of great convenience to the general public.

Under the present system, a money order can only be cashed at a designated office or at the place of issue. This sometimes works an inconvenience, and the change has been agitated for years. The new ruling only affects the continental United States, excluding Alaska, and the orders must be presented for payment within thirty days following the date of issue. As at present, the orders cannot be drawn upon an office which is not a money order office.

To guard against the possibility of paying a money order more than once, the postmaster at the point of issue shall not certify or forward an application for a duplicate order prior to the expiration of the thirty-day day following the date on which the original was issued, providing, however, that an application may be accepted, certified and forwarded at once if the applicant for the money order favors the application, was engaged in putting up a good and sufficient bond of indemnity in a sum not less than twice the amount of the order, conditioned for the refund of the amount paid on the duplicate, in the event that after payment thereof, any person shall certify, list, a valid claim to the original order, or in case it shall appear that the original has been paid to the rightful owner at another office.

Duplicate orders shall be issued only by the department. Postmasters shall not issue them under any circumstances. Payment or repayment shall be made thereon only at the offices on which the original was drawn, or at the office where the original was issued.

LOCAL CHURCH WORKERS WILL GO TO CONVENTION

Great Gathering of Southern Baptists to Be Held in Nashville, Tennessee.

A large delegation of local church workers will leave on Monday for Nashville to attend the Southern Baptist Convention, which meets there May 13 to 19, inclusive. Among those who will go from here are the following: Rev. W. C. James, Rev. George W. McDaniel, Rev. L. T. Wilkins, Rev. J. T. Watts, secretary of the Sunday School Board of Virginia; William Gilverson, secretary of the State Mission Board; Mrs. J. P. Thomas, secretary of women's work in Virginia; Mrs. Gwathmey, of the Foreign Board; Rev. R. J. Williamson, secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the South; Rev. William C. Forester, corresponding secretary of the Southern Board of Christian Education; Rev. J. T. Love, home secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, and Rev. J. T. Ray, foreign secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

Among the many things to come before the convention will be reports of the Foreign Mission Board, the Home Mission Board and the Sunday School and Bible Boards. The convention in Virginia is foremost this year in contributions to foreign missions, leading her old competitors, Georgia and Texas, by a large majority. The amount given by this State was \$36,653.71, while Georgia gave \$7,341.27 and Texas \$7,292.91. The convention met last in Nashville in 1878.

Foreign missions have been particularly benefited this year, and it is expected will come in for much favorable comment. The board has collected for the year \$57,458, not counting the pledges and money gathered for the Judson centennial. The board has received for the Judson centennial during the past year \$102,439 in cash and \$462,063.31 in pledges.

Indications are that there will be large delegations from the South, and the meeting in Nashville is expected to be one of the most successful in the calendar of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dies in Doctor's Office. James O. Galy, colored, of 916 St. John's Street, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at 3:20 o'clock in the office of Dr. Lewis, 294 1/2 North Second Street. Coroner Taylor examined the body and found that death was due to natural causes.

At Crafts Hall

The Chickering Piano

Will play a prominent role at the Concert in the City Auditorium to-night. If you are at all musical, you should make it a point to hear the Chickering Piano, and the celebrated Violinist, Eugene Ysaye. He has chosen the Chickering as the instrument which best meets his requirements.

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INNOCENT BYSTANDER SEEKS MONEY DAMAGES

Was Injured During Fight Between Two Other Passengers on Street Car.

NOW SUES RAILWAY COMPANY

Supreme Court to Pass on Question of Who Showed Negligence—Writ of Error Granted.

The State Supreme Court of Appeals will undertake to decide whether the innocent bystander on a street car who is injured in a fight between two other passengers has the right to recover damages for his injuries from the street car company.

The court granted yesterday a writ of error and supersedeas to the Virginia Railway and Power Company in its appeal from the verdict of the jury in the Circuit Court of the city of Norfolk, allowing Charles McDemmie \$1,000 damages for injuries received on a street car.

McDemmie was injured on a Granby Street car. A drunken negro boarded the car and began to smoke a cigar. The conductor ordered him to discontinue the smoking, and the negro moved to the rear platform and went on with his cigar. He was told by the conductor that he could not smoke there either, and this led to words. About that time the trolley slipped from the wire, and the conductor ordered the negro to stand aside out of the way and allow him to arrange the trolley.

QUESTION BEFORE COURT IS WHO WAS NEGLIGENT

The negro refused, and the conductor called on a white man standing on the rear platform to hold the negro while he summoned a policeman. While the conductor was engaged in putting the trolley back on the wire and finding an officer, the drunken negro and the white passenger engaged in a rough and tumble fight. McDemmie, in endeavoring to escape from the scene, received a vicious kick in the lower part of his stomach and was severely injured.

He brought suit against the company for the recovery of \$3,000 damages, alleging negligence on the part of the Virginia Railway and Power Company. The defendant company, in its petition for appeal, makes the claim that the negligence was on the part of McDemmie. The point will be decided by the Supreme Court.

Police Court Cases. Alice Brown, colored, charged with stealing \$4 worth of clothing from Nannie Harris, was sentenced by Justice Cutchfield yesterday morning to give bond for good behavior for thirty days. She went to jail in default.

Heede Wright, colored, charged with stealing \$100 worth of clothing, was ordered held for the grand jury.

Grand Lodge of Virginia, I. O. O. F., Lynchburg, Va., May 11-14

\$5.05---Round Trip---\$5.05

VIA NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILWAY.

Tickets will be sold at the above rate on May 9, 10 and 11, good for return passage until May 18, 1914. Tickets good on all regular trains and open to the public.

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And let us send you some of the best pies you ever tasted