COMMITTEE OF FIVE SITS ON SAFETY VALVE

With Firm Hand on Lever of Speculation, Public's Cargo of Ventures Nears Smooth Water.

MORE DEMAND FOR SHARES

Encouraging Sign, as Stocks Appreciate Rapidly With Returning Confidence in Market Conditions—No Talk Yet of Reopening Exchange.

BY BROADAN WALL.

NEW YORK, August 17.—The committee of five of the Stock Exchange is now sitting on the safety valve of trading, and each hour brings the public's cargo of speculative ventures nearer to smooth water.

Every effort is being directed towards a strengthening of bank loans and the still further reduction of stockbrokers' commitments. These were reduced extensively to-day by the settlement of customers' balances. Stocks were transferred and removed as fast as possible from the market.

An encouraging demand for shares was noticed, for it is argued that stocks appreciate more rapidly than bonds, and that the industrials and traction issues particularly will be the first to reflect improvement.

While banks have been willing to let call loans stand, houses that have time loans maturing found some difficulty in securing fresh accommodation. A little co-operation, however, should smooth out this difficulty, and a syndicate might well be formed to finance these maturities until the re-establishment of a call money market enables the broker to take care of himself.

The situation largely hinges on the ability of the bankers to resume operations with London. Although exchange rates are quotably lower, practically no business is being transacted, and with London, next to New York, the largest market for American shares, the reopening of our stock market will hardly be discussed until some mutual agreement with London is reached.

The importance of restraining all outside operations in Stock Exchange securities during such times as the exchange shall remain closed cannot be too strongly emphasized. As a further curbing the special committee of five made the following rule today:

"Members or their firms making transactions in listed stocks or bonds must furnish the committee on the clearing-house, daily at the close of business a statement showing all purchases and sales of such securities and from whom purchased and to whom sold.

"The committee also rules that firms having unsettled contracts outstanding on clearing-house balances, or on exchange clearing-house transactions, either on account of purchases or sales, or money borrowed or loaned must have a member of the firm at their respective offices between 10 and 3 o'clock daily."

NEW YORK, August 17.—Further progress towards normal conditions was manifested in the domestic financial situation to-day. Although resumption of open trading is still a matter of conjecture, private business in bonds was slightly more active. Dealings in stocks were almost wholly limited to contracts entered into before the exchange closed, and these are now reduced to minimum.

Encouragement was expressed over the more complete understanding between the administration at Washington and the influential banking interests regarding the pressing need of remedial measures. Abandonment of a French loan, which, if carried out, inevitably would have followed by similar transactions for other belligerents, was accepted as the only course consistent with this country's attitude. Nevertheless, it is believed some of the nations now at war besides Great Britain will devise means for building of credits in this market.

Representatives of the largest savings banks to-day announced that very few of their depositors have availed themselves of the sixty-day withdrawal clause, and that all excitement connected with this precaution had been dissipated. It was learned, also, that some of the leading institutions in the Clearing-House Association had not taken out any certificates, their wants having been fully met by emergency currency.

TIME MONEY AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

New York, August 17.—Money brokers reported better tone in business in most quarters. Borrowers continue to apply direct to bankers for accommodations. Call money is renewing in some instances at 6 per cent, but by most 5 per cent is being charged. Rates for time money nominal at 5@6 per cent for all maturities on prime commercial paper. Limited business at 6@7 per cent for best names.

Foreign exchange market reflected better tone, owing to the promising outlook for resumption of transatlantic navigation. Cable transfers were partially more affected by this influence, reaching to $4.91 in the afternoon, but sterling hovered between $4.85 and $4.86. Dealings in Continental exchanges were extremely small and restricted to trade and mark cables. Former quoted at 4.50 and the latter at 95½.

Mercantile paper, 6@7. Sterling exchange, nominal, for 60-days, $4.8500; for demand, $4.9000.

COTTON MARKETS.

New York, August 17.—Spot cotton, nominal; middling uplands, 11.00; sales, 1,300 bales. Futures Market: Middling, 11.00; sales 1,300 bales. Total sales, 2,600 bales.

Total to-day at all ports—Net receipts, 691 bales; exports, 1,320 bales; stock, 223,855 bales.

Total for week—Net receipts, 969 bales; exports, 2,637 bales.

Total for season—Net receipts, 10,436,440 bales; exports, 8,907,528 bales.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS

New York, August 17.—Raw sugar, firm, molasses, 5.88; centrifugal, 6.53; refined, firm. Butter and cheese, firm.

Cottonseed oil was firmer on covering of shorts, improved demand for actual oil and very light offerings. Final prices were 2@3 points net higher. The market closed steady. Spot, 6.40; August, 6.40@6.45; September, 6.40@6.41; October, 6.32@6.33; November, 6.24@6.27; December, 6.23@6.25; January, 6.30@6.32; February, 6.31@6.36; March, 6.35@6.45. Total sales, 2,500 barrels.

BUTTER MARKETS.

Elgin, Ill., August 17.—Butter, 28c.

LOCAL MARKET QUOTATIONS.

(Furnished by Levy Commission Co., Commission Merchants, Richmond, Va.)
Richmond, Va., August 17, 1914.

ACTUAL WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS OF MARKET.

LIVE POULTRY.			
Chickens, springers, lb		@	17
Hens, lb		@	15
Roosters, each	35	@	40
EGGS-Crated.			
In crates, nearby, fresh, doz		@	19
In crates, other sections, doz		@	18
Guinea eggs, doz		@	12½
BUTTER.			
Family, choice, fresh, lb	29	@	35
Merchants', fair, lb		@	19
LIVE STOCK.			
Veals, choice to fancy, lb		@	9
Veals, poor to fair, lb	7	@	8
Calves, runners, lb		@	6
Sheep, lb	3	@	5
Lambs, spring, lb	6	@	8½
COUNTRY-CURED BACON.			
Hams, well smoked, small, lb	20	@	22
Hams, well smoked, large, lb	18	@	19
Sides, well smoked, lb	11	@	12
Shoulders, well smoked, lb	14	@	15
HIDES.			
Dry flint, lb		@	23
Dry salt, lb		@	21
Green salt, lb		@	15
Green, lb		@	13
Green, damaged, lb	as to quality		
Tallow		@	6
Beeswax, lb		@	23
WOOL.			
Bright, No. 1, tubwashed, lb		@	27
Ch., unwashed, free of burrs	22	@	23
Ch., unwashed, lightly burry	18	@	19
Ch., unwashed, medium burry		@	16
Ch., unwashed, heavy burry		@	14

MARKET CONDITIONS.

Poultry—Chickens very plentiful; lower and dull. Eggs—Good fresh stock scarce and wanted. Live Stock—Veals, lambs and cattle in big demand. Ship all you can.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKETS.

Chicago, August 17.—The grain markets today regained the losses of Saturday, wheat closing 3@4c, corn 3@3¼c, and oats a shade to 8c up, led by the September options. Provisions closed from 10c higher for September; pork to 12½c depressed.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
September	88½	89⅝	87½	89⅝
December	94½	95¾	93¾	95¾
May	1.01½	1.02¾	1.00¼	1.02¾
CORN.				
September	76¼	79½	76¼	78¼
September (old)	....	....	....	78
December	67	68⅝	67	68½
May	68⅝	70¼	68⅝	69⅞
OATS.				
September	40¾	42	40⅝	41⅝
December	44	45¼	43⅞	44⅝
May	47⅝	48¼	46⅞	47⅝
MESS PORK—Per bbl.				
September	22.00	22.10	21.85	22.10
January	....	....	....	21.20
LARD—Per 100 lbs.				
September	9.47	9.52	9.40	9.52
October	9.62	9.70	9.55	9.65
January	10.00	10.02	9.95	9.99
SHORT RIBS—Per 100 lbs.				
September	12.75	12.82	12.67	12.69
October	12.87	12.97	12.67	12.77
January	11.00	11.00	10.95	10.95

Cash grain closed: Wheat—No. 2 red, 93@93½c; No. 2 hard, 89@91½c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 80¼@81½c. Oats—Standard, 43@43½c.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS ON 'CHANGE.
Richmond, Va., August 17, 1914.

WHEAT—Car lots.			
No. 2 red, Western (new)	96	@	....
No. 2 red, Virginia (new)	94	@	....
No. 3 red (new)	92	@	....
Virginia, bag lots (new)	88	@	92
Va., bag lots (for seed, new)	95	@	1.00
CORN—Car lots.			
No. 2 white	....	@	92
No. 3 white	....	@	91
No. 2 mixed	....	@	90
No. 3 mixed	....	@	89
Virginia, bag lots	89	@	92
OATS—Car lots.			
No. 2 mixed	....	@	44
No. 3 mixed	....	@	43
No. 2 white	45	@	....
No. 3 white	44	@	....
Winter seed, bag lots	50	@	60
RYE—Car lots.			
No. 2 rye (new)	....	@	85
No. 3 rye (new)	....	@	83
Virginia, bag lots (new)	80	@	81

RICHMOND HAY MARKET.

Richmond, Va., August 17, 1914.

Following are the quotations on the Richmond Hay Exchange:

HAY—Car lots.			
No. 1 timothy (new)	20.50	@	....
Standard	19.50	@	....
No. 2 timothy	....	@	19.00
No. 3 timothy (old)	....	@	18.00
Light clover, mixed	....	@	19.50
No. 1 clover, mixed	....	@	19.50
No. 2 clover, mixed	14.00	@	15.00
No. 1 clover	....		Nominal
No. 2 clover	....		Nominal
Sample hay	....		Nominal
STRAW—Compressed	....	@	8.50
Loose-pressed, large bales	....	@	20.00
MILLFEED.			
Shipstuff, winter	....	@	30.00
Bran, winter	....	@	27.50
Shipstuff, spring	....	@	28.00
Bran, spring	....	@	26.50

CATTLE MARKETS

RICHMOND LIVE STOCK MARKET.
(Sales at Union Stock Yards.)
Richmond, Va., August 17, 1914.

Best steers, 8 to 8½; medium to good, 7½ to 7¾; common to fair, 6½ to 7¼; best heifers, 7 to 7½; medium to good, 6½ to 6¾; common to fair, 5½ to 6; best cows, 6 to 6½; medium to good, 5½ to 5¾; common to fair, 4½ to 5¼; best oxen, 6½ to 7; medium to good, 5¾ to 6¼; common to fair, 4½ to 5; best bulls, 5½ to 6; light, 5 to 5½; calves, 8 to 9; dicks, 5 to 6½; cows and calves, $30 to $65; best hogs, 8¾ to 9; sows and stags, 8½ to 7½; best sheep, 4½ to 5; medium to good, 3½ to 4½; common to fair, 3 to 3½; spring lambs, 7½ to 8½.

Chicago, August 17.—Hogs, lower; light, $8.50@9.10; mixed, $8.30@9.0; heavy, $8.20@9.05; rough, $8.20@8.40; pigs, $6.50@8.50; bulk of sales, $8.50@9.00. Cattle, lower; beeves, $7.00@10.00; steers, $6.20@9.20; stockers, $5.50@8.20; cows and heifers, $3.60@9.25; calves, $8.25@11.50. Sheep, lower; $5.15@6.05; yearlings, $6.90@7.60; lambs, $6.50@8.35.

RICHMOND TOBACCO MARKET.

Richmond, Va., August 17, 1914.

Following are the quotations on the Richmond Tobacco Exchange:

LOOSE DARK—FIRED.			
Lugs	$4.00	@	$6.00
Short leaf	7.00	@	8.00
Long leaf	9.00	@	10.50
Wrappers	12.00	@	14.00
BRIGHTS.			
SMOKERS—Common	7.00	@	10.00
Medium	10.00	@	14.00
Fine	15.00	@	20.00
CUTTERS—Common	14.00	@	17.00
Medium	17.00	@	20.00
Fine	20.00	@	25.00
Fancy	30.00	@	35.00
FILLERS—Common	8.00	@	10.00
Medium	12.00	@	14.00
Good	15.00	@	18.00
Fine	20.00	@	25.00
WRAPPERS—Common	25.00	@	31.00
Medium	30.00	@	37.00
Good	32.00	@	37.00
Fine	37.00	@	45.00
New primings	1.00	@	3.00
SUN-CURED—NEW.			
Lugs, common to good	3.50	@	6.00
Lugs, good to prime	6.00	@	8.00
Long leaf	9.00	@	11.00
Wrappers	11.00	@	19.00

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.
(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., August 17.—Peanuts—Spanish—Farmers' Spanish steady, at 1.10 per bushel. Virginia Firm. Jumbo 4c per lb.; fancy hand-picked 5¾@5¾c lb; extra prime, 2½@2¾c per lb.; prime, 3½c per lb.; machine picked, 2½@2¾c per lb.

COTTON GOODS MARKETS.

New York, August 17.—Cotton goods markets were steady to-day in all divisions save print cloths for converting. American prints will be placed at value August 20, and only few goods are now being offered. Domestic dress goods and domestic hosiery were advanced during to-day by some of the leading agents. Raw silk was feverish again on fears of war conditions in Japan. Artificial silk has been advanced 30c a pound.

NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Ga., August 17.—Turpentine, nominal; sales, no sales; receipts, 268 casks; shipments, 1,000 casks; stocks, 32,296 casks. Rosins, nominal; no sales; receipts, 867 barrels; shipments, 12,[illegible] barrels; stocks, 119,685 barrels. Quote: A and B, 3.90.

EYES OF GRAIN WORLD ON LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Market at Chicago Is Small Affair, and Few Purchases Change Entire Situation.

CHICAGO, Ill., August 17.—The Liverpool wheat market led the grain world to-day. While closings at Chicago were at advances of 5-8 to 7-8c for the day on buying by shorts, the market was a small affair, and a few purchases of wheat changed the situation entirely. The speculative world continued to keep a close watch on the wheat losses of 3d. for futures and 1 to 9d. for spot parcels. An enormous run of receipts is expected in the United Kingdom, and it is also expected that prices will be carried downward in that country. Clearances from the seaboard to-day were 1,306,000 bushels, including 30,000 barrels of flour. Two vessels cleared for France loaded largely with breadstuffs. It is expected by the trade in wheat that there will be a continuation of heavy sales of futures in the pit here, as well as in the smaller markets against the actual grain now being carried by exporters and who cannot send the wheat out of the country. Bankers in some instances are said to be demanding the funds now tied up in wheat, which means that hedging transactions will increase. The Northwestern, or spring wheat crop has commenced to move in earnest, and this means that a great deal of wheat, in addition to that already coming out, will have to be taken care of. Were it not for the good buying by shorts in order to secure profits to-day, the market would likely have shown a big price break instead of a fair-sized advance. The more conservative grain men at Minneapolis say that the new crop of wheat has commenced to come into the pit there in the way of hedges, but that it is being well taken care of by millers and others who feel that a great deal of wheat will be needed from this time forward for the manufacture of flour. The price of flour declined 50 cents today from the highest level reached on the war scare, as Minneapolis millers were offering to sell hard spring wheat patents at $6.10 without buyers.

That the country is not disposed to sell any of its corn on the bargain counter was indicated by the sudden manner in which offerings from first hands dried up to-day. As long as prices were up near the top, the farmer showed a willingness to part with some of his grain, but the continued declines during the latter part of last week had its effect, and offerings from the country were very small. This, with the strong Southwest markets and hot, dry weather complaints, stimulated buying of futures, and the market rallied from a weak opening and closed 5-8 to 1 1-4c better than Saturday's resting spots.

The fact that foreigners are buying our oats was the all-important factor in the oats market. Export sales were reported to be over 500,000 bushels, and there was also a good demand for cash oats here from the East. An increase of 5,482,000 bushels for the week in the visible supply took the wind out of the bulls' sails for a few minutes, but the market soon recovered, and resting spots for the day were 3-8 to 5-8c better than Saturday's final marks. The strength in other pits helped the market, and during its advance it absorbed heavy offerings.

SOUTH RICHMOND MAKES REMARKABLE AUTOMOBILE RECORD

O. D. Brinser, of South Richmond, Runs 307 Miles in Eighteen Hours.

GOES UP TO PENNSYLVANIA

Run From Washington to York Is Made Without Stopping Engine. Miss Martin to Become Bride of Walter E. Duval.

A remarkable run, both for speed and endurance, was made on Friday by O. D. Brinser, of South Richmond, in his automobile to Middletown, Pa., according to his description of his trip in a letter received by a friend yesterday. Mr. Brinser left the Southside at 5 o'clock in the morning and arrived at his destination at 11:30 o'clock that night, making the distance of 307 miles in eighteen and a half hours without a mishap. He averaged a gallon of gasolene to sixteen miles, and he ran from Washington to York without shutting down his engine. Mr. Brinser was accompanied by his wife and two sisters.

DuVal—Martin.

There is much interest on the Southside in the marriage of Miss Mildred Reed Martin, of Stuart, Va., and Walter E. DuVal, clerk of Hustings Court, Part II., which takes place to-night at 8 o'clock in the home of the parents of the bride. Many invitations have been issued to friends of Mr. DuVal in South Richmond, and it is expected that a number will be present. George DuVal, Mr. DuVal's brother, will be best man. Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. DuVal will make a Northern tour.

Negroes Heavily Fined.

Clement Robinson, Moses Lawson and Silas Lawson, colored, were fined $50 and costs each by Justice Maurice yesterday in Police Court, Part II., on the charge of raising a disturbance in the Southern Railway camp at the foot of Maury Street, on Sunday. Moses started the trouble, it was said, by "robbing the pot" in the favorite pastime at the shanties, and then started to "shoot up" the place. After locking up Lawson, the officers had more trouble with Robinson, who started the same tricks. The other negroes were only captured after a lively chase. Justice Maurice says he is determined to break up the disorder at the camp.

Benjamin Keys, colored, was fined $100 for selling liquor without a license. He was caught by Captain Wright and Officer Lee with a basket containing bottles of whiskey.

Working on Car Plans.

Plans will be made, it is stated, at the meeting of the South Richmond Democratic Club on Friday night to take steps which will speedily settle the much-mooted question of having the Hull Street cars run to Broad Street. C. B. Anderson, chairman of transportation committee, says he is bending every effort to have the matter concluded, and desires the assistance of every member of the club.

Chairman Powers, of the subcommittee of the City Council, has arranged a conference between citizens of the Southside and officials of the Virginia Railway and Power Company.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. Lawrence Ingram, accompanied by her daughters, Misses Alice, Elizabeth Broadnax and Anne Bolling Ingram, Waller Bathurst and Littlepage Jugram, returned yesterday, after a motor trip to Virginia Beach.

Judge Ernest H. Wells, of Hustings Court, Part II., will leave to-day for Atlantic City, where he will spend some time with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Davis have returned home, after a visit to relatives in North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Walke are spending some time at Ocean View, after returning last week from the Buffalo Lithia Springs.

Sues Southern Railway.

Joseph Jones, administrator of Harry Jones, brought suit for $10,000 in the City Circuit Court yesterday against the Southern Railway Company. No declaration was filed. Another suit for $1,000 against the railroad company was filed by Joseph Jones on his own account.

AUDITOR MOORE WILL SCRUTINIZE TAX BOOKS

Discrepancies From Former Reports Will Be Given Special Attention.

INCOME RETURNS COMING IN

Towns of Portsmouth and Ashland Give Evidences of Prosperity, While Some Counties Show Increase of Well-to-Do People.

Tax books from the various cities and counties of Virginia continue to pour into the office of the State Auditor of Public Accounts. They will be given careful scrutiny by the auditor and compared with reports made in preceding years. Any serious discrepancies will be noted and efforts made to ascertain whether there has been any error in making the assessment.

Incomes have been reported to the State Auditor as follows:

PORTSMOUTH.

Bain, Kenneth A., $3,500; Barrett, R. H., $3,000; Billsoly, ——, $4,000; Bullock, R. A., $4,000; Byrd, O. r., $3,000.

Carr, George H., $3,000; Carsell, Jane, $4,100; Carsell, Norman, $3,533; Claud, E. H., $3,000, Cleaton, T. L., $4,000; Crawford, J. S., $7,000; Crocker, Frank L., $3,677; Crocker, James F., $3,357.

Davis, W. L., $5,000.

Emmerson, William, $3,000.

Faucett, W. D., $4,000; Fars, Isaac, $9,000, Glover, R. E., $5,000; Grice, Joseph, $5,000.

Hamilton, N. R., $3,000; Hatton, E. Alex, $5,000; Hatton, Goodrich, $7,000; Hodges, W. K., $3,000; Hodges, J. Frank, $2,000; Holladay, Gray G., $3,000; Hope, F. S., $4,000; Hudgens, H. L., $4,000.

Irving, L. O., $3,000; Irving, H. A., $3,000; Ives, W. P., $1,000.

Jarrett, J. P., $2,000.

Lamphier, George G., $6,000; Lassiter, B. H., $3,000; Lindsay, E. P., $3,000.

Mahoney, James R., $6,000; Mahoney, Matthew, Jr., $6,000; Mahoney, George L., $6,000; Mahoney, E. S., $10,000; Mackenzie, H. W., $3,000; Mariner, W. C., $4,000; McMurran, R. L., $2,200; Mauitsby, D. S., $4,500; Maupin, E. W., Jr., $2,500; Maupin, James F., $3,800; Maupin, George W., $2,900; Maupin, S. Davidson, $3,500; Morris, John A., $3,000; Morris, Jesse T., $4,000.

Neville, R. H., $6,000; Niemeyer, John C., $4,000.

Drakes, E. J., $5,000.

Overton, Jesse M., $2,500.

Parrish, Charles T., $4,000; Parrish, Winston, $2,500; Plummer, H. P., $2,500.

Reid, J. Davis, $5,500; Reid, W. H. M., $2,900; Robertson, R. R., $4,000.

Seddon, W. L., $5,000; Sterwood, R. S., $5,833; Sykes, Charles, $7,000.

Thompson, Ebenezer, $4,000; Tidewater Distrib. Co., $3,500; Todd, D. W., $9,000; Toones, James H., $2,953.

Witts, L. R., $9,200; Welton, R. F., $4,000; Welton, C. R., $2,500; Williams, W. P., $3,000; Williams, O. L., $5,000; Wilkins, Thomas Henry, $3,000; Whitley, L. B., $6,000; White, E. V., $6,000.

Parker, W. G., $3,000.

Henry County.

Hodnett, P. L., $2,500; Hairston, Mrs. A., $1,500; Hairston, Harden, $4,100; Burch, T. G., $2,280; Bondurant, James R., $3,000; Carter, John W., estate, $2,500; Davis, E. J., $4,000; Gravely, H. C., $5,340; Greer, J. C., $2,115; Hedgecock, J. A., $4,100; Heard, E., $2,200; Kearfott, C. P., $2,800; Keesee, C. H., $6,715; Lester, A. J., $2,500; Semple, R. B., $2,200; Whittle, Stafford G., $5,000; Williamson, E. L., $4,585; Walker, R. L., $3,063; Bett, D. S., $3,218; Penn, W. L., $2,172.

James City County.

Stewart, Walker W., $2,500.

King William County.

Garrett, B. C., $2,172; Croxton, Dr. W. E., $2,500; Gregory, Roger C., $11,421; Lewis, Herbert L., $2,500.

Madison County.

Radidan District—None.
Robertson District—None.

Middlesex County.

Ryland, W. H., $2,500.

Mathews County.

Brooks, James Grayson, $6,177.

Hanover County.

Henry District—Haw, George P., $3,000, Beaver Dam District—Cooke, Charles R., $4,000; Page, Roswell, $2,490; Page, T. N., $3,850; Redd, H. Carter, $2,115; Taylor, R. A., $3,925; Wright, R. H., $2,560.

Ashland District—Cardwell, J. H., $4,500; Carter, Samuel R., $2,500; Chisham, W. G., $2,450; Crawford, Forest J., $4,000; Droste, C. L., $10,220; Gwathmey, Caroline R., $3,500; Holladay, A. L., $13,680; Hunt, A. L., $2,850; Luck, C. S., $3,000; Reed, Charles C., $3,600; Richardson, W. T., Jr., $2,700; Taylor, C. W., $2,300; Vaughan, Emma Lee, $15,500; Vaughan, I. N., $5,000; Wickham, H. T., $28,920; Wightman, John P., $3,750; Woodin, S. B., $2,250.

Town of Ashland—Anderson, George J., $2,470; Blackford, R. T., $2,240; Boxen, Edwin, $3,000; Cardwell, W. D., $9,000; Carter, Hill, $12,500; Carter, Henry R., $3,500; Day, F. L., $3,800; Doswell, S. J., $2,100; Griffith, J. R., Mrs., $3,300; Hatcher, S. C., $2,100; Hoofnagle, J. A., $3,690; Herater, R. M., $2,600; Leake, J. M., $3,200; Marye, L. T. W., $2,000; Midyette, D. R., $2,000; Newman, E. W., $2,550; Powell, L. S., $2,073; Rice, S. B., $3,600; Scott, E. L. C., $2,120; Shepherd, B. M., $2,000; Smithey, E. R., $2,050; Sidnor, G. B., Jr., $6,500; Tucker, F. W., Sr., $2,085; Vaden, Anna R., $2,500.

Nansemond County.

Lummus, Frank L., $2,500; Robertson, George B., $4,942; Armistead, M. W., $4,000; Lee, Welles, J., $4,000.

New Kent County.

Wallace, W. J., $3,600; Richardson, ——, $5,900.

Page County.

Ford, Vernon H., $2,500; Landram, Chas. A., $2,000; Weaver, Floyd W., $2,200; Weiner, H. E., $3,600.

Princess Anne County.

Johnson, Thomas C., $2,400; Masury, Dr. John M., $6,000; Martain, Andrew S., $2,120; Ryan, Charles H., Sr., $3,400.

Rappahannock County.

Browning, George P., $2,350; Brady, R. Judson, $2,750; Dearing, A. W., $6,000; Kinsey, G. W., $3,000; Miller, John J., Sr., $2,000; Massie, Wade H., $3,000; Miller, J. B., $5,000; William G., $3,000; Browning, C. W., $2,100; Frick, F. M., $3,000; Miller, J. James, Jr., $2,250.

Dickenson County.

Eastern District—None.
Western District—Friend, Gallie, $3,000; Rouse, W. H., $2,950.

Franklin County.

Angle, N. P., $6,100; Guerrant, Samuel S., $3,250; Sanders, William D., $1,500.

Gloucester County.

Farinholt, C. C., $4,000; Laeger, W. H., $5,300; Jones, W. Ashby, $10,000; Rose, Dr. George W., $3,900; Cussard, Harrison, $7,000.

Fluvanna County.

Northside District—Bell, A. O., $2,200.
Southside District—Burgess, B. A., $2,100; Cabell, J. Alston, $4,200; Cocke, Mrs. Clara, $3,000; Wright, Dr. F. J., $2,600.

ALL SUBMARINE LINES ARE BADLY CONGESTED

Requirements and Restrictions of Censors at European Terminals Causing Long Delay.

MESSAGES ARE PILED UP

At London Office 2,000 Cablegrams Are Reported Awaiting Inspection. Abolition of Code Has Worked Great Hardships on All Systems.

NEW YORK, August 17.—Inquiry at the offices here of the three great trans-Atlantic cable companies developed that on all fifteen submarine lines between North America and Europe traffic still was badly congested to-day, due, it was said, to the requirements and restrictions of the censors at the European terminals.

The Western Union Telegraph Company's system of eight cables was in better condition than at any time since the establishment of censorship in Europe, it was said. The regulation requiring that the full name and complete address of the addressee be written, as well as the name of the sender, was causing much of the congestion on this system.

The delivery of messages to the terminals in Europe, however, does not necessarily mean they will reach their destinations immediately. One day last week, the London office of the Western Union reported 2,000 cablegrams had piled up there awaiting inspection by the censors. The entire system of the Western Union cables to the South of Europe is similarly affected, as practically all the terminals are in British possessions.

The abolition of code has worked great hardships on the Western Union, as well as on other systems.

The Commercial Cable Company's system of five cables to Europe was reported to-day to be working with all the dispatch that could be expected. Commercial company lines are, of course, subject to the same restrictions as those of the Western Union.

It was said at the New York office of the French Cable Company, which operates one cable to England and one to France, that the company had reduced the delay to twenty hours. The French company, while refusing messages in code to England and France, announced that code addresses could be placed on messages for delivery in France.

The English owned cable lines between England and Central and Southern Continental Europe and the Scandinavian peninsula were said to be uninterrupted, although under a censorship even more severe than that imposed on the lines to North America.

VIRGINIA APPLES WIN SWEEPSTAKES PRIZE

They Beat Out All Competitors in International Contest Held at Boston.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., August 17.—For the first time in the history of apple culture, Virginia fruit has won out over all competitors in an international show. The International Apple Shippers' Association provides for an exhibition at each of its annual meetings, but offers only a few prizes, the one grand prize being the sweepstakes, or president's silver cup, open to all comers from the United States and foreign countries. Canada and the United States were fully represented at the Boston Show on August 7, but Albemarle won out over the best growers of the Pacific Coast, the Middle West, the Northern States and Canada.

The judges who awarded the prizes were D. W. Menlch, of Pennsylvania; C. H. Kimball, of New York; H. M. Dunlop, of Illinois, and J. M. Thornly, of Ohio. These are all men of the highest standing, and not a Southern man on the committee, hence Virginia did not receive any favors over other sections.

Under the rules, competitors for the grand prize were obliged to show twenty varieties of apples of commercial value grown by the exhibitor or in his section, and each plate must contain eleven specimens. Under these requirements, the exhibit made by Dr. J. B. Emerson, of "Crest Orchards," this county, and several growers of the Covesville section, who worked with him, scored 92 points out of a possible 100. The fruit shown on the Albemarle table was contributed: seventeen plates by Dr. Emerson, from his "Crets Orchards"; five plates by Virginia Mountain Orchard Co., H. T. Bowles, manager; four plates by Covesville Orchard Co., Paul Bouton, manager; six plates by J. J. Boaz, of Covesville; four plates by Harry S. Martin, of Covesville; four plates by T. S. Krutz, of Covesville; four plates by Samuel M. Page, of Red Hill, and six plates by Professor William B. Alwood, of "Stonehenge," near this city. All of the fruit was of this year's growth.

The most prominent features of the exhibit were the Albemarle pippins and vinesaps, and though these varieties were immature, they showed what the Albemarle crop promises this year. These two staldards, flanked by a fine show of other winter varieties and the early fruit which was well matured and colored, made an array which could not be beaten.

Downing—Churchill.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., August 17.—A wedding of interest in social circles was solemnized this morning at "Red Hills," the historic old home of the bride's great uncle, Dr. Dudley R. Boston, near this city, when Miss Clare Ferrier Churchill became the bride of George Crutcher Downing, of Frankfort, Ky. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Gravatt, the minister and close friend of the groom, who came from Frankfort, Ky., for the purpose. The maid of honor was Miss Elizabeth Cocke, of "Greenwood," while the groom was attended by his nephew, Reuben Thornton Taylor, of Lexington, Ky.

The bride, on her father's side, is of English descent, being the daughter of William Forbes Churchill and a granddaughter of Dr. Churchill, until his death president of Dublin University. This branch of the family was represented by Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Small, of Ivy, Va., Mrs. Small having been maid of honor to the bride's mother in this same room just twenty-six years before.

The bridal party took the train at Keswick for Virginia Beach, where they will stay for some time before going to their future home in Frankfort, Ky.

SWISS WANT MONEY

WASHINGTON, August 17.—Dr. Paul Ritter, the Swiss minister, again today made representations to the State Department in behalf of his government for a loan of gold from the United States.

Switzerland, in a state of siege, with practically her entire male population under arms, is facing a serious question in regard to feeding her army. The imputation that his country might implicate the United States in a violation of neutrality by using the acquired money as a loan to belligerent nations, was declared preposterous by Minister Ritter. He said Switzerland's domestic financial stringency was such that she must have fluid currency to restore normal conditions at home.

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