FUN AT THE FAIRS.

Twenty-Five Thousand People in Attendance at the Hagerstown Exhibition.

Members of the Baltimore Corn and Flour Exchange Present.

An Immense Crowd at the Roanoke Stock and Cattle Fair at Lynchburg.

A Series of Interesting Races Participated in by Noted Thoroughbreds.

THE HAGERSTOWN FAIR.

Special Dispatch.

HAGERSTOWN, Oct. 18.—The threatening appearance of the weather last night gave our citizens and the managers of the Fair association much concern, but the day dawned beautifully, and all were greatly relieved. The attendance is the largest ever before witnessed on any similar occasion, and is estimated all the way from 20,000 to 30,000. Twenty-five thousand will possibly prove an average estimate.

Among the prominent personages present today were Hon. Henry W. Hoffman, Hon. Josiah H. Gordon, of Cumberland, candidate for judge of this judicial district; Hart B. Holton, republican candidate for governor; J. C. Mullikin, republican candidate for comptroller; Gen. Adam E. King, Frank Brown, esq., president of the Maryland State Fair association; Ezra Whitman, editor of *Maryland Farmer*; B. B. Nowcomer and J. G. Clark, of Baltimore, and Hon. Joshua Briggs, of Frederick county; George Steiff and Wm. H. Heinrichouse, of Baltimore. It would be almost impossible to particularize the numerous entries of stock and other articles of interest on exhibition; a few of the most important must suffice for the present. One of the attractions was the tent of the Leverings, of Baltimore, where free coffee, with cutloaf sugar and the cream from Jersey cows, was served free of charge. This was patronized largely by the ladies, who appreciate a good thing.

Another striking feature of the fair was the exhibit of the Baltimore house of Daniel Miller & Co. of the "Diamond shirt." It attracted the attention of the wives and mothers generally who are interested in the proper fit and appearance of the undewear of their male constituents. A nickel plated show case, diamond shaped, twelve feet long, presided over by Mr. J. Frank Supplee, contains the garment, flanked on either side by a cabinet of cherry and oak, containing the garment. Two lady operators from the factory are in attendance to explain the merits of the shirt. This firm has displayed enterprise to-day in bringing here the Frederick cornet band, who made a parade through the principal streets and then gave a concert on the grounds. They have decorated the band stand very tastefully. At one end is a huge representation of the coat of arms of Baltimore; at the other a representation of the battle monument surrounded by large festooned flags of all nations, while the national colors are profusely displayed.

An invitation was extended by the fair association to the members of the corn and flour exchange of Baltimore to attend the fair to-day. The invitation was promptly accepted, and the following named gentlemen arrived here to-day in a special car, which had been kindly tendered by the Baltimore and Ohio road: P. H. MacGill, George T. Gambrill, John C. Legg, E. M. Schryver, W. P. Bardellar, Wm. F. Wheatley, H. R. Riddle, Louis Miller, G. S. Snowden, George T. Worthington, James Woodside, Walter B. McAtee, E. M. Vickery, H. H. Craig, J. S. Josnan, C. C. Anderson, Wm. H. Love, J. B. Ward, F. B. Yearly, C. E. Ways, E. C. Heald, G. W. Titlow, F. J. Levering, J. Gill, J. C. Vincent, L. W. Bodman, R. F. Eteeller, J. V. Kulins, Alex J. Boggs, J. B. Maitland, H. F. Turner, H. W. Anderson, L. A. Carr, A. F. Spice, F. A. Wheeler, James M. Schryver, G. W. Davidson, N. M. Wyle, J. W. Furman, J. C. Symonton. Messrs. John C. Legg and William F. Wheatley were the committee of arrangements. During their visit these gentlemen were the guests of George M. Stonebraker, esq., a member of the fair association, who entertained them in handsome style at his residence. They left for home at a late hour, delighted with their trip and with what they witnessed at a Washington county fair exhibition.

Among the afternoon amusements which held the large audience was a flat race, half mile heats, best two in three. The entries were Jake White, by A. R. Richardson, and Gorham, by Harry Harwood. First heat was won by Jake White. Time, 58 seconds. Second heat and the race was won by the same in 58 seconds.

Trotting race, mile heats, best three in five. Entries were Bay Dick, by C. W. Porter; Emma Richardson, by J. W. Adams; Edward H, by P. H. Babylon. The first heat was won by Edward H; time, 3:05. Second heat by Bay Dick; time, 2:56. The third heat was won by Edward H; time, 2:55. The fourth heat and race by Edward H; time, 2:49.

The next was a trotting race against time, half a mile. The entries were Mambrino, Rattler, and Dundee, all owned by Mr. Jesse Tyson. Won by Dundee. Time, 1:20.

There were several other races against time, all by horses owned by Mr. Tyson, who made good time and entertained the audience.

There was numerous chariot races both during the day and under the electric light at night.

The foxes, the hounds, the horn, and the hunter, failed to come to time, the only failure of the fair. When the hounds were on hand, the fox was not forthcoming. When the fox was produced the hounds were hunting in some other section or quietly picking bones at home, and not dreaming of entertaining an audience on the fair grounds or fair ground foxes. The Frederick cornet band, led by S. McKallip, after leaving the fair grounds last night serenaded W. Heinrichouse, president of the agricultural association, Hon. L. E. McComas, Mr. Isaac Lowenstein, of this place, and Mr. J. F. Supplee, of Baltimore.

THE ROANOKE FAIR.

Special Dispatch.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Oct. 18.—The Roanoke stock and cattle fair, which has been in progress for two days, is just now the center of attraction in this portion of the state. Yesterday and to-day hundreds of our people went up to see the exhibition, and great numbers from the valley and southwest were also in attendance and made the crowd very great.

The fair grounds are too new to be yet beautiful, but in a few seasons, with its splendid race track, it will be one of the most attractive places of exhibition and field sports in the state. The great object of the fair is for the annual exhibition and sale of fine stock, invited from every portion of the state and from all adjoining states. The accommodations for stock of all kinds are very extensive, and in many respects are unsurpassed anywhere in the country. The stalls, both open and closed, are constructed on the most approved modern plans, and are easily and pleasantly accessible to visitors. The attendance on the first day was not very large, but the occasion was made extremely interesting by the delivery of the opening address by the Hon. Alexander R. Boteler, of West Virginia. It was a production of rare merit and beauty, and elicited great admiration. The exposition of fine stock is perhaps the greatest ever made in Virginia. There were several hundred heads of cattle entered. The number of horses was also very large, and the exhibition of swine and sheep was good, embracing some very fine from Gallipolis, Ohio. Among the exhibitors of fine horses were S. W. Ficklin, of Albemarle county; Thomas W. Boswell, of Hanover; T. N. Conrad, of Blacksburg; Messrs. Sanders and Kelley, of Smyth; G. W. Palmer, of Saltville; Lieut. Gov. J. F. Lewis, of Rockingham, together with a number of other good breeders from various other sections.

The racing yesterday was, of course, the leading attraction of the day. The first race, between horses bred in Virginia, purse $200, was won with ease by Maj. Thomas W. Driscoll's black gelding Tornado in two straight heats of half a mile. Time, 53½, 55½. The second race was for trotters for the Roanoke stakes of $1,000, free for all, the first horse to receive $600, the second $300, and the third $100, mile heats, best three in five. J. H. Green's gray gelding Stephen Douglas, of Washington city, with record of 2:22, trotted away from Edwin A. entered by Joseph B. Weineger, of Pittsburg. Pat Henry Ward Beecher, by Andy Sprague, of Richmond, and Blue Cloud, by J. E. Jones, of Kentucky, and was not put to his full mettle at that. The most interesting feature of the race was the struggle between Edwin A and Beecher for second money, the former winning. Time, 2:20½, 2:20, 2:20.

The foot race, distance 100 yards, was also an attractive and amusing feautre of yesterday's proceedings, and was won by I. W. Tilley, an Englishman named S. Pelham being second. The entries were numerous.

The sack race, which furnished unbounded amusement, was won by a mechanic named Morris, A. S. Breeding being second, and A. Rankin third. It was said that more money changed on the result of this race than on all the others combined. The fair continues two more days, and a large quantity of fine stock is expected to change hands before the close.

The losses of insurance companies by the burning of the Leftwich tobacco factories on Tuesday last were as follows: The London, Liverpool, and Globe company, $10,000; Royal Insurance company, $5,000; London and Lancashire, $2,000; Connecticut Fire, $2,200; Home Insurance company, New York, $5,000; Phœnix (London) company, $8,500; Norwich Union company, $5,000; Williamsburg company, $2,000; Underwriters' agency, $2,500; Virginia Fire and Marine company, $2,500; Western Insurance company, $1,000; Scottish Union, $1,750. Total, $47,500, which is nearly sufficient to cover all of the losses by the fire.

Two enterprising gentlemen, Messrs. Miller and Middough, have embarked in a new business enterprise in this section of country, that of sheep raising on a large scale, which promises to be a great success. Their farm is located five miles east from Sycamore station, on the Virginia Midland railway, and they have already started it with several hundred ewes and finest breed of Cotswold bucks of the celebrated imported breeds of "Earl of Warwick," "Golden Locks," "Duke of Gloucester," and "Royal Sherborne," and intend to largely increase their stock next year. Some of their lambs were awarded the highest premiums at the late Culpeper fair as the finest on exhibition.

Mr. James C. Kasey, sheriff of Bedford county, has declared himself an independent candidate for the state senate, against the democratic nominee, John R. Newman, and being very popular and of much influence, it has caused much alarm among the democrats. The district is democratic and Kasey a readjuster.

KNOCKED OUT IN TWO ROUNDS.

A Couple of Canal Hands Have a Set-to for a Purse of $45—One of Them Knocked Senseless.

A rumor was current on the street and among the sporting men yesterday that a prize fight was to take place at a saloon in South Washington in the evening. The story went that Stevens and Frazer, the latter a colored man, who recently fought at the Theatre Comique, had arranged for a set-to. The police, however, heard of the rumor and kept a sharp lookout at the saloon where it was to occur. Later in the day it was stated that the men had gone to Alexandria, and would settle the dispute in that vicinity. A reporter boarded an afternoon train for Alexandria bound for the scene of the conflict. Upon the same train were several local sporting men. Just after the train had left the Long bridge these latter attempted to have the train stopped, but were unsuccessful. When the train arrived in Alexandria one of the sporting men informed the reporter that the fight was to take place near Jackson City, about three miles from this city. The party waited around the depot until a train started for this city and then embarked for Jackson City upon it. Jackson City is a small hamlet of about thirty houses and about 160 inhabitants. The fight took place about a mile south of the city. The party arrived there about 5 o'clock, and after waiting for about fifteen minutes, the men appeared. When they did appear the Washington and Alexandria crowds were more than astonished, for, instead of being Frazer and Stevens, as was expected, two colored men were announced as the participants. They proved to be Alexander Wall and Henry Dawson, both employes of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal. The general mixing up of things has not been yet straightened out, and it is probable that a mistake had been made. The fight between Wall and Dawson was to settle a long disputed question as to who was the better man. In addition to this a purse of $25 had been collected to be awarded to the winner. Wall, a heavy black man, was the first to shy his castro into the improvised ring and immediately became a favorite. Dawson, the other contestant, was a stout, stumpy individual, who, before the fight began, insisted that he was the "best man." Neither referee, or seconds were chosen, and the fight was a rough-and-tumble affair, governed by neither scientific nor ring rules.

The men came together and shook hands, and a minute after some one in the crowd yelled "go it," and they "got it."

Wall, in spite of his weight and strength, was rather slow in hitting his opponent, who was as lively as a cricket and rained telling blows on the former's face. This round ended by Wall falling with Dawson on top.

"Time," shouted by one of the spectators, called the men together for the second round. In this round Dawson succeeded in touching Wall's face heavily several times. Wall did not seem to understand what was going on and struck out wildly. Getting a good opening, Dawson sent in a terrific blow on Wall's face, sending him to the ground like a log. When "time" was called for the third round the backers of Wall attempted to get him on his feet, but he did not respond, and the fight and money were awarded to Dawson, who was very much elated at his success. The crowd then dispersed, and Wall was carried to his home on the Chain bridge road in a wagon.

A WEDDING AND RECEPTION.

Marriage of Miss Lena Hoffa to Mr. Samuel Schernbach—Reception at Abner's.

The synagogue on Eighth street was well filled last night by the elite of Hebrew society to witness the marriage of Miss Lena Hoffa to Mr. Samuel Schernbach, of St. Joe, Mo. The interior of the synagogue was beautifully decorated, a large floral bell being suspended over the chancel. The event was solemnized at 5 o'clock by Rabbi Stern. As the bridal party entered the organist performed Mendelssohn's wedding march with fine effect. Preceding the bridal party were the ushers, Messrs. Leon Tobriner, Samuel Gauss, I. Gauss, H. Adler, Julius Lansburgh, and S. Fisher. At the conclusion of the ceremony the party entered carriages and were driven to Abner's hall, where an extensive reception was held. Five long tables, decorated with exotics and fruit, were spread, and a menu served which reflected credit upon the caterer. After full justice had been done to the solids, the constant popping of corks announced the presence of inspiring liquids, and toasts and speechmaking became the order. The health of the young couple was drank, accompanied by a jingling of glasses and three hearty cheers. The guests afterward repaired to the upper hall and enjoyed dancing until a late hour. Among those present were the Misses Levy, Mr. and Mrs. Levy, Mr. and Mrs. Langsburgh, Misses Spanier, Miss Blout, Miss Samstag, Miss Kaufman, Mrs. Gauss, Mr. and Mrs. Hoffa, Miss Newmeyer, Mrs. Blount, Miss Soldner, Miss Plotz, Misses Hexter, Richards, Prof. and Mrs. Phipps, Mr. and Mrs. Nordling, Mr. and Mrs. Pinkus, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Misses Heenie and Cora Adler, Mr. and Mrs. King, D. Kaufman and wife, Mr. Strauss and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Loeb, and Mr. Bolini.

An Editor Married.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 18.—Walter C. Hadley, editor of the Las Vegas (N. M.) *Gazette*, was married here this evening to Miss Alice C. Parson, at the residence of the bride's father, Fred. K. Parson.

The Marquis of Lansdowne.

OTTAWA, Oct. 18.—The Marquis of Lansdowne will be sworn into office at Quebec on Monday, in the presence of Lord Lorne, the Princess Louise and members of the cabinet.

DEADLY DYNAMITE.

Arrest of Two Mysterious Strangers at Halifax, N. S.,

For Having Packages of Deadly Explosives in Their Possession.

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 18.—There was considerable excitement in this city last evening over the arrest of two men with a large quantity of dynamite in their possession. In May last information was received from Ottawa by the authorities here, which informed them that an attempt would probably be made by Fenians to destroy public property, and precautions were taken by the appointment of extra police and other means to frustrate any such desperate work.

Nothing occurred and the matter was laughed over. About a month ago Lieut. Gov. Richey got a warning from Ottawa similar to that received by his predecessor in May last, informing him of the departure from New York for Halifax of suspicious characters, supposed to be connected with the dynamite branch of the Fenian brotherhood. The detectives here were informed of the expected arrival, but nothing occurred to arouse their suspicion until a few days ago. Two men, giving their names as Wm. Bracken and James Holmes, arrived here last Friday and put up at a second class hotel, known as the Parker house, in Barrington street. It is believed they came from the United States. They gave no names to the hotel people and paid their week's board in advance. Suspicion was aroused by their actions, and Detective Power, hearing of them, paid attention to their movements. On Monday night, accompanied by a policeman, the detective went to the hotel, and ascertaining that the strangers were out, he visited their room. No luggage was visible, but on searching the room two valises were found hidden behind the bedstead. Both were strapped, but the lock of one was broken open. On examining its contents on one side some clothing was found, and on the other side a parcel covered with canvas, which on being opened proved to be a quantity of dynamite cartridges. He replaced the parcel, closed the valise, and immediately left the room. The hotel people were directed not to mention anything to the strangers. Both valises weighed about 100 pounds. Nothing further was done until yesterday forenoon, when the city marshal, with a detective and a policeman, went to the hotel and to the room of the suspected parties. A cartridge was taken from the valise and sent to a hardware store, where it was pronounced dynamite of a powerful nature called "triple charge." The city marshal then directed the arrest of the two men. Detectives soon found James Holmes on a street near the hotel, he having just come out of a barroom. Detective Power charged him with having dangerous explosives in his possession.

Holmes denied this, and also that he had any friend rooming with him that he was implicated with. Holmes asked to show the detective to his room, where they went. Power asked Holmes what the packages in the valises were. He replied that he did not know; they did not belong to him. Creelman, the proprietor of the hotel, on being called, said that the room was occupied by Holmes and his friend, and that the valises were brought there by them. Holmes was taken in charge and a policeman left to wait for his friend. After placing Holmes in the police station the detective proceeded to Lower street, where he found Bracken in a barroom. On being arrested he denied having any roommate at the Parker house, or any dynamite there. He was taken to the police station. Holmes, when searched at the police station, had two revolvers, one a five chamber of large caliber, made by the Hopring & Allen Manufacturing company, the other a small four-chamber revolver, made by J. Sharp & Co., Philadelphia. They were both loaded; and Holmes also had a copy of the *Irish World*, purchased in this city, and about $12 in money. No weapon was found on Bracken, but after his arrest the keeper of the bar at which he was arrested gave the police a Robbi Hood revolver that had been left with him. Bracken had in his pockets a key opening one of their valises which contained ten dynamite cartridges. With the key found on Bracken the other valise was opened, and still more of the dangerous explosive was found. In both of the valises was also a small round clock, stamped "American Clock company." A city watchmaker says that connected with them was machinery causing explosions. One of the weapons found on Holmes, on being discharged at one end of a wire, will ignite a fuse at the other end and thus explode the dynamite with which it would be connected.

Holmes and Bracken were in this city early in July and put up at a Lower Water street boarding house, where they stated that they had no money, but placed their baggage as security for their board. After boarding there some days they said they had received a draft for $100. They paid their board regularly and remained about five weeks. They shortly afterward turned up in a boarding house in the Spring Gardens, where they staid until about three weeks ago, and then they disappeared. Both deny the charge against them and claim the protection of the American flag. They are evidently Irish Americans. Neither would admit when arrested they knew each other. When arrested they were clad in working clothes. Holmes looks to be 30 years of age, and Bracken two or three years younger, and is five feet eight inches high, with a dark complexion, and a black moustache. Among the articles found on Holmes was a baggage check, which was presented at the railway station to-day, and for it was returned a parcel covered with canvas, which was stamped inside "Gregg & Co., New York," and contained a Boyton rubber swimming suit. Both men remain in custody.

Bracken and Holmes were arraigned before a stipendiary magistrate this afternoon. Both men gave their ages as 30. Bracken said that he was born in New York state and was a miner. Holmes gave his birthplace as St. Joseph, Mo. He said he was a laborer. They pleaded not guilty to the charge of having explosives in the shape of dynamite in their possession when arrested. They were remanded until next Monday.

Pleasant Entertainment to Gen. Longstreet.

A farewell meeting was tendered Gen. Longstreet last evening, at the residence of Maj. Stine, on Capitol hill, by the veterans who participated in the visit to the Bull Run battlefields last Monday. A very pleasant evening was spent, and many stories and incidents of camp, bivouac, and battle were related. The host and hostess had prepared ample refreshments, which were served at intervals. Among the gentlemen present were: Col. Frye, Swiss minister; Gen. Rosecrans, Gen. Pleasanton, Col. Tichenor, Col. Johannes, Maj. Halstead, and others. Gen. Longstreet will leave for Atlanta, Ga., this morning. He expressed himself as well pleased with his visit to Washington, where he has many new but fervent friends.

Sons of Veterans' Hop.

George A. Custer camp, No. 1, Sons of Veterans, held their first hop of the season last night at Grand Army hall, corner of Seventh and L streets northwest. A couple of hundred ladies and gentlemen were present, and enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. The Lincoln post, No. 11, drum corps of Newark, N. J., were among the guests of the evening. Dancing was indulged until a late hour. The enjoyment of the evening was largely due to the efficiency of the following committees: Reception, Messrs. J. H. Steip, F. W. Cole, John Warren, J. G. Morrison, Charles Heyberger, and Wm. Hepner; master of ceremonies, Capt. H. D. Gifford; floor committee, F. Burlingame, W. B. Kiplinger, John Weber, W. C. Farquhar, Fred Weber, and John Weidman.

He Wasn't Too Sharp After All.

A German saloon keeper, whose place of business is near the corner of Seventh and L streets, was made a victim of misplaced confidence on Sunday last in a way that exasperates him very much. His wife had early in the day shut the door in the face of two suspicious characters, who had applied for admission and a drink. Later a party of gentlemen known to the proprietor called and were let in, the two fellows "tailing on" and taking a drink with the others. As the visitors turned to go away the German remarked that "some fellahs vas a speakin' about, dryin' to make some kases against me all de viles. I am doo sharp for dem shust de same, de tam scoundrels. Dey never ketch me, you can bet yer life."

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