

# PORTSMOUTH LOCAL NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS

## ITEMS GATHERED HERE AND THERE

Miscellaneous Happenings Condensed For Virginian-Pilot Readers.

## MOVEMENTS OF PEOPLE

What is Going On in and Around Portsmouth and Suburban Communities Gathered, Sifted and Told in Few Words—The Past, the Present and the Future Revealed, Related and Foreshadowed.

Mrs. R. P. Bunting will return from Atlanta, Ga., to-day, where she has been spending a month.

The oyster season opened yesterday. Quite a number of boats went down the river. Some of the dealers have a few on hand.

Rev. R. B. Eggleston, pastor, will return from his summer vacation to-day and will occupy the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church to-morrow morning and evening at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Public cordially invited to all services.

Miss Annie Bell Newsome is in the city on a visit to friends.

Capt. C. M. Reynolds returned yesterday from the springs after an absence of several weeks.

Mr. W. C. Corbett request the Virginian-Pilot to state that Mr. McWilliam's home was not bought by the Court Street Baptist Church, but that he was the purchaser, and that Rev. Dr. Garrett, the pastor, will live there.

It has about been settled that Paymaster Brown, of the Navy, will be ordered home on account of sickness. His physician considers rest necessary for him. He will be accompanied by his clerk, Mr. A. S. Porter, of this city. The State tax on the Atlantic and Danville case, which was admitted to record in the county clerk's office, was \$3,489.50.

Mrs. W. T. Lowe, wife of Chief Engineer Lowe, of the Portsmouth and Nansemond Water Works, is visiting in Suffolk.

The Misses Alice and Belle Cutchings, who have been visiting relatives and friends in New York, have gone to Gloucester Point on a visit.

Mr. John C. Nixmyer yesterday sold for T. J. Barlow, trustee, a house and lot on Washington street extended for \$1,696. Mrs. H. C. Myer was the purchaser.

Rev. Mr. Essex, of Carrsville, Va., is visiting Rev. Dr. Fisher, at the Madison Hotel.

Miss Blanche Culpepper, of Deep Creek, left yesterday to visit relatives in North Carolina.

The La France Engine Works at Elmira, N. Y., where the steam fire engine Virginia is being thoroughly overhauled, have notified the company that the steamer will be completed about the middle of the present month.

For carrying a pistol and threatening to shoot Arthur Copeland, William Falconer was fined \$20 and costs by Justice C. C. Bond at the morning at the county jail. Officer McWilliams, of the county, made the arrest.

Mrs. Frawner, of Richmond, Va., arrived in Scottsville yesterday afternoon on a visit to Mrs. Harry Lee, on Rose street.

Mrs. L. O. West and family, accompanied by Mrs. James Graham and family, will return to their home in Scottsville to-day from a visit to York county.

The B. Y. P. U. of Calvary Baptist Church will on Tuesday night resume its regular weekly meetings, which were discontinued during the summer.

The Little Princeton defeated the Eagles yesterday by a score of 8 to 6. Batteries: Kirk, Johnson and Miller; Brothers, Lilliston, Gaskins and Small. The Princeton will play the Dixie two games Monday.

Calvary Baptist Church, Rev. Samuel Saunders, pastor—Services to-morrow will be as follows: Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; E. P. Rodman, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Everybody welcome to these meetings.

Mr. George C. Parker, who has been visiting relatives in Charleston, Ill., since July 16th, returned home last night.

**BENEFIT OF LEUT. DAVIS.**  
The public will remember the painful and very sad accident which recently happened to Lieutenant John W. Davis, of the Fourth Ward, while chipping steel in the navy-yard. Davis had lost one eye some years ago, by a similar accident, and the other member being seriously injured, makes the case a particularly sad one.

His friends in the yard—and he has many—have come to his rescue, and have decided to raise a handsome ladies' gold watch Monday, September 11th, for the benefit of the injured gentleman. Two thousand tickets have been printed and can be had from any of his friends engaged in the navy-yard. Everybody seems interested in Mr. Davis, who has a wife and several children, one of the latter being deaf and dumb, dependant upon him, and the demand for tickets is brisk. They can be purchased at the Virginian-Pilot office, Portsmouth, for twenty-five cents each.

**IMPROVING THE FIRE ALARM.**  
The fire alarm system of the city is undergoing material changes at the hands of Mr. William M. Smith, who is engineer of the steam fire engine Virginia, and also superintendent of the fire alarm system. There has been more or less trouble with the present system on account of its general arrangement, and Mr. Smith to obviate any further trouble has mapped out a plan which he thinks will greatly improve the service and at the same time, under the system which he has thought out, he will be enabled to at once locate a break and repair it without any loss of time.

The "circuit system," as Mr. Smith calls it, will unquestionably prove a great success, as under this system a break at any point will not put the entire system out of use, as frequently has been the case heretofore. The boundaries of the wards will form the different circuits.

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## MISS SALLIE MORRIS ELECTED.

The School Board Discusses The Departmental System.

The School Board held their regular meeting last night, with the following members present: D. A. Williams, president; Geo. A. Tiant, B. F. Howell, John Schroeder, John T. Lawrence, R. D. Hamilton, Chas. Owens, L. M. Palmer, L. P. Slater, W. O. Hope, W. T. Ballentine, Chas. Morris, V. D. Minter.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on School Regulations made a number of recommendations in regard to studies in the school and in reference to transfers from one school to another and recommended that the same be not made under any circumstances before November 1st.

They also recommended that the salaries of all the teachers in the white departmental system be made the same.

They also recommended that an assistant principal be elected to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Saunders' resignation.

Mr. Slater spoke in opposition against acting on the recommendations at this meeting. He thought that the board should take some time to consider the report, as there was some objectionable features that should be considered.

He then moved that some of the recommendations be referred to some subsequent meeting.

It was seconded and adopted, and the balance of the report was adopted.

The Committee on Building and Supplies reported having had all necessary repairs needed in the Second and Third District schools made.

On motion the report was adopted.

The superintendent submitted some statistics for the annual report of 1898-'99 as follows:

**AN INTERESTING REPORT.**  
The School Session 1898-'99—Number of scholars: White, 29; colored, 8. Total, 37, an increase of 10 over the previous year. Number of teachers: White males, 3; white females, 25; colored males, 1; colored females, 7. Total, 37.

The number of schools by districts: Second district, including the High School, 12; Fourth district, 3; Fifth district, 7; Third district, 8. Total, 37. Number of calendar months taught, 10. Whole number of months taught by male teachers, 40; by female teachers, 230. Total, 370.

**THE ENROLLMENT.**  
Number of white boys enrolled, 703; number of white girls enrolled, 809. Total white boys and girls, 1,512.

Number of colored boys enrolled, 299; number of colored girls enrolled, 505. Total colored boys and girls, 804. Whole number of pupils enrolled, 2,316.

**AVERAGE MONTHLY ENROLLMENT.**  
White boys, 579; white girls, 715. Total white boys and girls, 1,294. Colored boys, 176; colored girls, 253. Total colored boys and girls, 429. Total average monthly enrollment, 1,723.

**AVG. DAILY ATTENDANCE.**  
White boys, 522; white girls, 655. Total white boys and girls, 1,177. Colored boys, 163; colored girls, 241. Total colored boys and girls, 404. Total average daily attendance, 1,581.

**ENROLLMENT BY DISTRICTS.**  
Second district, including the High School, 622; Fourth district, 507; Fifth district, 383; Third district, 515. Total, 2,027.

**AVERAGE MONTHLY ENROLLMENT.**  
Second district, 555; Fourth district, 426; Fifth district, 333; Third district, 429.

**AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE.**  
Second district, 487; Fourth district, 376; Fifth district, 308; Third district, 410.

Average age of pupils in the schools, 10½ years.

**SCHOOL BUILDINGS.**  
Number built, 12, with suitable grounds and outhouses, 12. Number of rooms, 37; number of sittings, 1,768; value of school property, \$17,000.

**THE FINANCIAL CONDITION.**  
Amount of appropriations asked of the City Council, \$13,807.66; amount received, \$13,816.50. Amount of money received from the State, \$6,195.76; last year's balance, \$1,500.14. Total cash received and balance, \$21,512.40. Paid for teachers' salaries, \$16,426.60; for furniture and repairs, \$1,438.45; for salaries of clerks, \$1,024.65; for janitor's services, \$1,741.65; for sundries, \$107.92. Total expenses, \$20,738.67. Balance, \$873.73, nearly all of which is to the credit of the Fifth district. Cost of tuition per month per pupil enrolled—Second district, including the High School, \$1.00; Fourth district, 75 cents; Fifth district, 75 cents; Third district, 65 cents. Cost of tuition per month per pupil enrolled irrespective of the districts, 81 cents; whole cost of public education per month per pupil enrolled, 96 cents; number of teachers examined by the superintendent, 15; number of teachers licensed, 25; number of visits paid by the superintendent to the schools, 471; number of visits by trustees to the schools, 128.

On motion the report was adopted.

The clerk submitted his report for month of August.

A number of applications were received for the position of assistant principal of the Second district school and for the position of teacher.

The following were read from: Bettie Brown, Belle E. Bain, Mrs. R. H. Jones, Ella V. Yarrow, J. Linwood Leavitt, John Simmons, for promotion; Jerome Etheredge, Martha C. Brittain, Elizabeth D. Woodward, Mary D. White.

All property approved, bills were allowed.

**NOW NEW BUSINESS.**  
The superintendent read a communication from the principal of the Second district school, asking that some change be made in the name of the book used. On motion the recommendation was referred to the Committee on School Regulations, with power to act.

Mr. Slater moved that the committee be appointed to look into the departmental system of teachings and to see if there was not some changes that could be made and if there is need, grading the teachers under that system. Adopted.

**MISS MORRIS ELECTED.**  
Mr. Schroeder moved that the board go into the election of an assistant principal to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Saunders. The board then proceeded to election.

Mr. Howell moved that no application except those in the grammar grade of the schools be considered. A vote being taken, it was lost.

Mr. Ballentine moved that all applicants have a show. Seconded and adopted.

The names of Misses Sallie Morris, Belle Bain, Jennie Etheridge, Ella Yarrow, Mattie V. Brittingham, Carrie D. White, Nellie Simmons, Belle Brown and R. H. Jones were read.

A vote being taken, Miss Sallie Morris received 8 and Miss Bain 4. Miss Morris was declared elected.

Mr. Schroeder moved that the pay of

## MISS MORRIS BE MADE \$60 PER MONTH.

Second.

Mr. Hamilton offered an amendment that the pay be not fixed until the Committee on School Regulations made their report. Lost.

The motion of Mr. Schroeder was voted on and adopted.

A motion was made that all the teachers below be promoted. This caused some discussion.

Mr. Howell moved that all the teachers below the vacancy be required to take an examination in the grade which they are to teach, and the election be postponed until after the examination is held. It was seconded and adopted.

## IN THE POLICE COURT.

The "Bowery" was present in the Police Court yesterday morning in exceedingly large numbers. The trouble for all the world as if they were preparing for a gala time rather than one of seriousness with four charges of assault and battery staring them in the face.

Yes, Mrs. Bertha Bangle was the complainant in the cases, charging Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ellis, Mrs. H. Rappaport and Miss Bessie Herman with using their hands and feet on her with painful effect. She said they pulled her hair, knocked her about her head and kicked her to the ground, all for no cause.

There were about 15 witnesses, the prosecution and defense being about equally divided in numbers. The trouble was divided into two cases, and the Mayor, after listening carefully and patiently to the evidence pro and con, dismissed both cases.

It was a real "tempest in a teapot," the whole matter in both cases having its origin in the conduct of the children of those interested. But it was interesting, especially that part where Mrs. Bangle became so excited that she threw a small "kitty cat" at Mrs. Rappaport, striking her in the back with it.

## LATEST NAVAL NEWS.

Assistant Surgeon H. A. Dunn, detached from duty at the Washington navy-yard and ordered to Port Royal.

Assistant Surgeon A. Stuart, detached from the navy station at Port Royal and ordered to the Yorktown.

Assistant Surgeon D. B. Kerr, detached from the Yorktown and ordered to the Marietta.

Assistant Surgeon M. K. Johnson, detached from the Marietta and ordered to the Nashville.

Passed Assistant Surgeon J. C. Rosenblyth, detached from the Nashville and ordered for treatment to the Chelsea Naval Hospital.

Passed Assistant Surgeon M. S. Guest, detached from the navy-yard at Boston and ordered to the Wabash.

Lieutenant E. C. Sampson, detached from the Michigan and ordered to duty in the Bureau of Steam Engineering.

Lieut. R. K. Crank, detached from the New York navy-yard and ordered to the Detroit.

Lieut. Edwin T. Pollock, detached from the Scorpion and ordered to the Lancaster.

## ATLANTIC AND DANVILLE LEASE.

In the Clerk's office at Norfolk county a deed has been admitted to record, which sets forth the facts in the lease of the Atlantic and Danville railway by the Southern system of railroads, which are as follows:

The latter took possession of the former for a period of time of five years, which terminates July 3, 1904. The Southern road obligates to pay during the fifty years to the shareholders of the Atlantic and Danville road the magnificent sum of \$38,000,000, in installments. The terms of the lease are also to the effect that upon the expiration of the lease of fifty years the Southern shall have the privilege of extending the same terms, for a period of ninety-nine years.

The Southern also further agrees to pay to the shareholders of the Atlantic and Danville a dividend of 218-12,000 whenever a dividend is declared by the Southern upon its \$120,000,000.

## A MUCH AFFLICTED FAMILY.

Again has death invaded the household of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo E. Pentress, of 718 Fifth street, and carried away in its cold embrace their three-year-old daughter, Charlotte May, the sad event occurring about midnight Thursday.

The sympathy of the entire city is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Pentress, as their loss is of a particularly touching nature, these children having been lost to them by death in the short space of time since June 30th.

On that date a daughter died, followed by the death of a son on August 6th, and now, the third blow by the death of the little one mentioned, which occurred Thursday night. The parents who have sustained such heavy losses have two children surviving out of a family of five, which gathered about them just a little over two months ago.

## WHOLESALE POISONING.

Some time during Tuesday night some unknown person visited the premises of Mrs. Codd, on River View avenue, in Park View, and poisoned thirteen head of chickens belonging to her. Wednesday morning when Mrs. Codd came down she saw her chickens lying all around the lot dead. She could not keep from giving way to her feelings. She could not imagine why any one should want to do an act of that kind. Later in the day suspicion pointed to a negro boy who had been in her employ, but was discharged a few days before. The authorities are working on the case, and hope to catch him.

## PRESBYTERIAN MISSION.

The First Presbyterian Church of this city has recently purchased two lots in Prentiss Place, which have been erected a neat and substantial chapel, which is now finished and ready for occupancy. Providence permitting, a mission will be opened in this Prentiss Place chapel Sunday afternoon next at 4:30 o'clock at which hour the Rev. R. B. Eggleston will preach and inaugurate the mission. All friends of the cause, and especially the people of Prentiss Place, are cordially invited to be present.

## DEATH OF MRS. HAYNES.

Yesterday afternoon at 1:55 o'clock Mrs. Emily D. Haynes departed this life, at her residence, No. 310 County street, in the 60th year of her age. The deceased lady had been sick for the past two or three months, and she bore her sufferings with great Christian fortitude. She leaves two children, both having attained their majority. She was a member of the Monumental M. Church, from which place her funeral will take place this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

## HARMONY RESTORED.

The war between the Hebrew denomination has blown over to all intents and purposes for awhile, at least, and the warrants that were sworn out have been withdrawn.

The congregation held a meeting Thursday night and a regular love feast prevailed. It was decided to dispose of the lot on Washington street recently purchased by one of the members, Mr. Horriam Plummer. The trustees met yesterday and ratified the action of the meeting, and for the present they have agreed to dispose of such property as belongs to the church.

## JOSEPH HUBER DEAD.

At his home, Glasgow street extended, Scottsville, yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Mr. Joseph Huber breathed his last in the 37th year of his age. Mr. Huber was well known and had a large circle of friends, who speak in the highest terms of his character and good qualities. He leaves a wife and four children. Notice of the funeral will appear in our next issue.

## THE WORLD OF SPORT

### STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Brooklyn .....	78	36	.684
Boston .....	71	41	.637
Philadelphia .....	71	46	.606
Baltimore .....	67	45	.598
Cincinnati .....	63	50	.558
St. Louis .....	65	54	.546
Chicago .....	60	57	.513
Pittsburg .....	57	58	.496
Louisville .....	59	64	.479
New York .....	49	68	.418
Washington .....	41	73	.360
Cleveland .....	19	102	.157

At St. Louis—R.H.E. St. Louis ... 12001003x—7 7 3

Baltimore ... 00000022—6 10 3

At Louisville—R.H.E. Louisville ... 101010000—3 11 0

At Brooklyn—R.H.E. Brooklyn ... 100001000—2 7 1

Brooklyn ... 00000052x—7 11 0

Second game—R.H.E. Cleveland ... 00000001—1 7 2

Brooklyn ... 202100x—5 9 0

At Chicago—R.H.E. Chicago ... 2000300x—5 5 3

Boston ... 10000110—4 9 4

At Cincinnati—R.H.E. Cincinnati ... 00015040x—10 8 0

Philadelphia ... 00030200—5 8 5

### The Grand Circuit Races.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)  
Hartford, Conn., Sept. 1.—The Grand Circuit races here to-day resulted as follows:

2:03 class, trotting; purse, \$1,500—Richard, won; Paul Pry, second; Princess, third. Time, 2:16½, 2:16½, 2:16½.

2:16½, 2:16½, 2:16½, 2:20½.

2:09 class, pacing; purse, \$3,225—Hal B., won; The Maid, second; Exploit, third. Time, 2:06½, 2:06½, 2:07, 2:08½, 2:11, 2:14½, 2:18½.

The Maid took the first and sixth heats, and Exploit the fifth.

### The Jeffries-Sharkey Mill.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)  
New York, Sept. 1.—Jim Jeffries, of California, and Tom Sharkey, of Dundalk, Ireland, will fight for the heavyweight championship of the world at the Coney Island Sporting Club October 23. This was decided to-day at a meeting of the managers of the pugilists. Only two bids were received for the contest and the managers of the club by the seaside having given the better inducements, secured the bout. The Coney Island club offered \$6-2-3 per cent of the receipts, with a guarantee of \$50,000, and deposited a certified check for \$2,500 as a forfeit.

### HESTER'S ANNUAL STATEMENT.

INTERESTING STATISTICS OF YEAR'S COTTON MOVEMENT.  
(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)

New Orleans, La., Sept. 1.—The totals of Secretary Hester's annual report of the cotton crop of the United States were promulgated to-day. They show receipts of cotton at the United States ports for the year, 8,579,426 bales, against 8,769,300 last year; overland to Northern mills, 1,345,623, against 1,237,183; Southern consumption taken direct from interior of the cotton belt, 1,553,791, against 1,492,821, making the crop of United States for 1898-'99 amount to 11,274,840 bales, against 11,509,934 last year and 8,757,964 the year before.

The mills of the South have used 157,655 bales more than during 1897-'98, against a consumption by the North of 2,190,000 bales.

The crop for the different States is given as follows in thousands of bales: North Carolina, etc., 583; South Carolina, 1,012; Georgia, 1,536; Alabama, 1,159; Florida, 70; Mississippi, 1,552; Louisiana, 590; Arkansas, 341; Tennessee, 414; Texas, 8,555; total crop, bales, 11,275. North Carolina above includes Kentucky and Virginia; Tennessee includes Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas and Utah; Texas includes Indian Territory.

Mr. Hester's full report, which will be issued to-morrow, will contain interesting facts in relation to the enormous increase in the spindles of Southern mills.

### WORLD'S VISIBLE SUPPLY.

New Orleans, Sept. 1.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows a decrease for the week just closed of 55,918 bales, against a decrease of 41,066 last year, and a decrease of 78,859 year before last.

The total visible is 2,007,945, against 2,662,963 last week and 2,915,177 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 1,172,955, against 2,005,963 last week and 1,434,477 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 835,000, against 659,000 last week and 611,000 last year.

Note—Hereafter the New Orleans Cotton Exchange's world's visible supply of cotton will contain, in addition to the usual items, the stocks at Alexandria, Egypt, and Bombay, India, and the stock at Bombay harbor.

These items, which have been hitherto ignored in all statements of visible supply issued in America, amount at this date to 447,000, against 414,000 last year, and 357,000 the year before. There has been no reason for ignoring this amount of cotton, which was actually visible, and was counted in statements of the kind by Liverpool, hence, hereafter the world's visible supply will actually consist of all cotton in sight at all centers in America, Europe and elsewhere.

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