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We guarantee the absolute truth of every statement in this advertisement, and as fast as we can mark goods we shall pile our counters with the most elegant attractions ever known. Watch the daily papers.

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65 Boys' Suits for dress worth $15 for $7.50;
50 Boys' Overcoats worth $10 for $5;
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THE SLAUGHTER BEGINS TO-MORROW, DECEMBER 5th, AT 8 O'CLOCK.

The consignor pays us 5 per cent. of what we get for the goods and allows us one thousand dollars to advertise the sale. We'll advertise big and mark low. The consignor settles the bills and stands the losses. We cut things loose and mark to sell, defying our imitators to follow us any further.

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READY TO ORGANIZE.

CAUCUS OF THE DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATORS.

Nominations for Officers of the House of Delegates and of the Senate—Personnel of the Body—Republicans Take no Action.

At noon to-day the Legislature of Virginia will meet at the Capitol. The plan for the first session was mapped out in caucuses of the Democratic members of both houses last night in the Capitol. Shortly after 8 o'clock members of the House began to pour in, and the caucus was called to order, and John F. Ryan, of Loudoun, was nominated and unanimously elected chairman. Mr. James Hay, who represents Greene and Madison counties, took the floor and nominated for Speaker Hon. Richard H. Cardwell, of Hanover, who has served up to the present time so efficiently as the successor of Hon. Charles E. Stuart. Mr. Cardwell had no opposition, and was elected by acclamation. Mr. John Bell Bigger was nominated by acclamation Clerk of the House and Keeper of Records. The news was received in the lobby with expressions of delight, notwithstanding the fact that there has never been any opposition to Mr. Cardwell.

Hon. W. D. Dabney, of Albemarle, nominated Mr. J. P. Martin, incumbent, for the position of sergeant-at-arms, and he was elected.

First Doorkeeper Arthur Sullivan, a well-known figure in the House, having served successively for three terms, was re-elected to his old place. Mr. W. P. Dupuy was secretary of the caucus.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE SENATE.

The Senate conference was called to order by Senator William Lovenstein, of Richmond, who was afterwards made secretary of the conference.

Hon. John L. Hurt was nominated chairman, and the first business being the election of president *pro tempore*, Mr. Hurt received this distinction by acclamation.

Dr. J. D. Pendleton, incumbent, was unanimously re-elected clerk of the Senate. He had no opposition.

There were four candidates for the office of sergeant-at-arms, but Mr. Z. Weaver easily won.

Mr. W. D. Haynes was elected doorkeeper on the first ballot.

A committee, consisting of Hon. John L. Hurt, president *pro tem.*, and Messrs. Blackstone, Jones, Berry, Heaton, and Lovenstein, was elected to select a Senate committee, and report to adjourned meeting of the conference. This committee will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock, when probably the time for a future meeting of the conference will have been announced at the adjournment of the Senate.

The following pages for the Senate were announced: William Garrett, Randolph Williams and Charley Pace. There is one more to be appointed in the Senate. The conference adjourned shortly after the caucus did, which was shortly after 10 o'clock.

THE PERSONNEL OF THE BODY.

While there is a great number of old members in the present General Assembly, it is plain to a casual observer that the personnel of the Legislature is remarkable. It is a fine looking body of men, and a glance at them shows that the State is not wanting in thought and business, and it is somewhat remarkable that such representative body is not seen oftener, and never seen except under Democratic auspices.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS.

There was a bomb thrown in the ranks of the candidates for the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction. Dr. J. L. Buchanan has written a letter in which he unequivocally states that he prefers Mr. Edward C. Glass, of Lynchburg, as his successor. Dr. Buchanan says that he does this on account of the eminent educational qualifications possessed by Mr. Glass. This will make a big diversion in favor of Mr. Glass, as Dr. Buchanan is recognized authority on educational topics. He is not a candidate and says so very distinctly.

ATTENDANTS OF THE CAUCUS.

There was some sprightly scuffling for the minor offices, but it did not amount to a boom. Friends of the basement officers, to be hereafter nominated, were on hand, however, for the purpose of putting in the best blows they could for their favorites, and their presence lent spice to the proceedings and gave animation to the gathering. The lobby was well filled on this latter account, and there was plenty of talk and activity and sometime a freedom of expression that smacked soundly of the deep interest that some members felt in the conclusions hereafter to be arrived at. Now and then a Republican straggled in, but indifference in what was pending was prominent in all that was said by him.

THE REPUBLICAN GATHERING.

The Republicans also held a caucus. Senator McDonald, a staunch Republican, said that he had almost broken himself down walking around to find some Republican members, but that they finally succeeded in getting a quorum, and came to the conclusion, after mature deliberation, that they would make no nominations for any offices, after which the caucus in good humor adjourned *sine die*.

AN OBSERVER'S VIEWS.

One who has seen many Legislatures, said nothing of this sort has been seen here since the great upheaval of States. A Democratic Legislature—save fourteen Republicans. A gathering of men well used to the equities and amenities of life—thoughtful, considerate men, armed with constituent authority to discuss and enact laws for the benefit, not of a party, not of a man, but for all.

"That there is vigorous strife for office cannot be denied. That it is conducted with dignity and decorous demeanor is so plain as to hardly bear mention. It is a tribute to the party that there is so much smoothness and evenness shown by rivals for prizes, and it will bear repetition to say that a similar exhibition not only has never been known in Virginia, but can hardly be produced in any State."

AN OLD SCHOOL SOUTHERNER

William E. Gladstone's Opinion of the Works of Mrs. Susan Dabney Smeades.

In a recent number of the New York *Evening Post* was the announcement that Mr. William E. Gladstone has prepared for the December *Nineteenth Century* a review of the "Memorials of a Southern Planter," by Mrs. Smeades, of Baltimore. The reviewer commends the book as one that does justice to the often misjudged slaveholding class. "As cast-off clothes are in no great repute," says, "so society is usually severe to excess with its cast-off opinion. * * We are not to judge individuals hastily on account of social mischiefs due to them as a body, through their holding a position inherited from their forefathers, the whole nature of which they have not had strength and depth of wisdom sufficient to detect. The volume is a counterblast, perhaps in some ways needed, to 'Uncle Tom's Cabin,' which, though it told the truth, could hardly be expected to tell the whole truth. The reviewer dwells at considerable length, and evidently with genuine pleasure, on the brave way in in which Mr. Dabney, the hero of the narrative, and father of the author, a rich Mississippi planter, faced financial ruin at seventy years of age, and began life anew as a daily toiler in his little market-garden, for which he had to carry all the water up a hill in buckets. He also washed the family linen with his own hands in order to spare his beloved daughters the necessity of bending over the washtub—the gallantry of the old-school Southern gentleman refusing to give way at all under misfortune."

Mrs. Susan Dabney Smeades, the author so highly praised by Gladstone, is a sister of the late John Hampden Chamberlayne, of this city, and a cousin of Mrs. George Bagby. Colonel Thomas S. Dabney, the hero of the narrative, was born in Gloucester county, Virginia, in January, 1798, went to Mississippi in the summer of 1835, and in 1882 he moved to Baltimore, where he died in February, 1885. Soon afterwards his daughter, Mrs. Smedes, collected his memorials, consisting of a number of letters, notes, and other manuscripts, and wrote the book, which she called "Memorials of a Southern Planter." It was published about two years ago and has gained considerable prominence in the United States, and through the commendation of Mr. Gladstone is now being widely read in England. Mr. Virginius Dabney, the author of "Don Miff," who is widely known in Richmond, is a brother of Mrs. Smeades.

IN THE POLICE COURT.

Young John C. Nowlin Brought from Danville—Several Petty Cases.

John C. Nowlin, the young man arrested in Danville Monday charged with forgery, was before the Police Court yesterday morning, having been brought from Danville by Sergeant Tomlinson. Two charges were preferred against Nowlin—one of forging and attempting to employ as true a draft drawn by himself on Preston, Craig & Co. for $50 in favor of John C. Nowlin, dated October 15th. The other charge, that of embezzling a 1,000-mile ticket of the Norfolk and Western Railroad of the value of $25, and one picture valued at $5, the property of Preston, Craig & Co.

To a TIMES reporter Nowlin said that he was employed by Preston, Craig & Co., vinegar manufacturers, of No. 1524 east Cary street, as a traveler; that he drew the $50 draft, dated October 15th, on Preston, Craig & Co. in the usual order of business, signing his own name to it. The draft was cashed by Mr. B. F. Batchelder, a merchant of Norfolk. He declined to say whether since the date of the draft he had been in the employ of Preston, Craig & Co.

The actual forgery, the officers charge, is a letter purporting to have been signed by Messrs. Preston, Craig & Co., which they deny. The witnesses and the exhibits in the case are all in Norfolk. Yesterday they were written for, and the hearing of the case was continued until next Saturday.

OTHER MINOR CASES.

John Smith, the negro proprietor of a grog-shop on Seventeenth street, near Grace, was fined $25 for selling liquor last Sunday.

The City Passenger Railway Company was fined $10 for cruelty to animals, in driving a mule with no skin on its shoulders.

William Starke (colored), one of the gang of negroes who was engaged in the row near Anderson's store, in Henrico county, about two weeks ago, when a colored church festival was broken up, was turned over to the county authorities.

Mary James (colored), charged with trespassing on the premises of Joseph Gray and of using indecent language towards him, was fined $2.50 and costs.

Samuel Armstead (colored), for striking Nelson Harris on the street, was fined $2.50 and costs.

Emma Davis and Annie Wells (colored), charged with being disorderly in Fisherman's Hall, were each fined $2.50 and costs.

Masonic Temple Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Masonic Temple Association, held in the office of the grand secretary, corner of Main and Ninth streets, was well represented, there being 4,802 shares listed at present out of a total of 4,958.

The following were elected as the board of trustees: B. R. Wellford, Jr., W. E. Tanner, A. R. Courtney, I. S. Tower, J. G. Cabell, John F. Mayer, J. V. Bidgood, C. Wingo and J. H. Capers. Past Grand Master B. R. Wellford, Jr., was re-elected by the board president and grand secretary; William B. Isaacs, secretary and treasury.

After the transaction of routine business, the meeting adjourned to the hall of Grand Steward William Krause, where supper was served.

The Grand Lodge will meet at St. Albans Hall on December 10th, at 6 P. M., and will be in session three days.

OVER THE RIVER.

MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST IN MANCHESTER.

Business of the School Board—Vaccination to be Enforced—Resignation of Mr. F. C. D. Farmer—A Girl Whipped for Wearing Male Attire.

The Manchester city school board met last night pursuant to a call. There were present: Messrs. F. C. D. Farmer, president; J. R. Perdue, John O'Brien, J. H. Busby, G. A. Carr, G. A. Peple, D. J. Weisleger and B. A. Nunnally; also D. L. Pulliarn, superintendent.

Mr. Peple made a verbal report for the committee on grades. He stated that it was necessary to appoint an assistantant to Principal Fitzgerald, as he could not act properly as principal and teach the large class he has. The committee also reported that it had purchased one set of anatomical and geographical maps for the white school building, and the maps were now at the schoolhouse. They had been given six months time in which to pay for them. The proper record books &c., for the teachers would be purchased within a week. The report was received and filed.

MAPS AND BOOKS.

The board approved the purchase of the maps and books. The principal of the colored schools asked the use of the maps once a month. Mr. O'Brien said he understood the maps were to be used in both buildings. Mr. Perdue thought this was impracticable, as it would bring about a clashing, and moved the purchase of a new set for the colored schools. Adopted.

NEW TEACHERS WANTED.

Mr. Pulliam stated that it was necessary to have the assistant to Principal Fitzgerald, and also that it was imperitive that a new school be opened in the colored building. In some rooms were twenty-five pupils, sitting three to a desk. He understood from Secretary Weisiger that there would be no trouble in the way of getting the money with which to pay the teachers.

The board decided to refer the matter to the finance committee, the superintendent in the meantime to examine applicants for the two positions and report at a future meeting of the board.

ADORNING THE GROUNDS.

At a previous meeting the board discussed the beautifying of the spacious yards which surround the two large school buildings by planting shade trees, and last night a communication was read from Franklin Davis & Co., saying they would plant and guarantee cotton trees at 90 cents each and maple at $1 each, and wait till the appropriation of 1890 for their money. The matter was referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. Farmer, Perdue, and O'Brien, who were instructed to ask the City Council for $50, with which to purchase the trees.

VACCINATION REQUIRED.

Superintendent Pulliam called attention to the fact that a large number of children in the schools—particularly in the colored schools—had never been vaccinated. He called attention to the fact that the State school law made vaccination a prerequisite to admittance to the schools. He thought the board should take some steps in the matter.

Mr. Perdue moved that each scholar be required to bring between now and the 1st of January next a certificate from the family physician that he had been vaccinated; those who were not vaccinated and did not have the operation performed in the meantime to be excluded from the schools. Adopted.

SCIENTIFIC LECTURE.

Mr. O'Brien requested Mr. Peple to give a public lecture on the anatomical map at such time and place as would suit his pleasure. Mr. O'Brien's request was joined in by every member of the board. Mr. Peple thanked the members of the board, and stated that after making some due preparations he would with pleasure deliver the lecture. He would name the time at a later meeting.

RESIGNATION OF MR. FARMER.

Mr. Farmer, calling Mr. Perdue to the chair, stated it was well known to all that very shortly he would remove from the city. He therefore tendered his resignation as a member of the board. It was with pride that he could refer to the many friends he had made and the pleasant intercourse he had enjoyed as a member of the board. The board unanimously laid the resignation on the table until Mr. Farmer had actually removed from Manchester.

GENERAL NOTES.

Messrs. Davis and Hobson, the two members who represent the Manchester district in the House of Delegates, will desk together.

Virginia Cheatham, the colored girl who paraded the streets in male attire, was turned over by the Mayor yesterday to an officer to be whipped, and the two youths who assaulted her were fined $2 each.

The bridge across the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad, being erected by the Southside Land and Improvement Company, is progressing satisfactorily. The "fill" at Canoe Run will be completed about the same time, and then there will be a fine avenue out to Forest Hill Park.

Rev. John J. Clopton, rector of Bishop Meade Memorial Church, will spend the next three months in Florida. The vestry of the church has granted him three months' leave of absence. Rev. Mr. Clopton has not been enjoying good health for some time, and it is hoped by his friends the sunny clime of Florida will entirely rejuvenate him.

There will be a meeting at the rectory of Meade Memorial Church to-morrow night for the purpose of organizing a brotherhood.

Margaret Mather as "Juliana."

A fine and cultured audience gathered at the Academy of Music last night to witness Miss Mather's rendition of Juliana in John Tobin's fine old comedy of "The Honeymoon." Of course, the main interest of the audience centred in Miss Mather's Juliana, in which she made a delightful impression. She has a wonderful personality, and her voice is particularly musical and shows the benefit of careful and well-directed training. Her dramatic powers of expression are refined, subtle and intense. In the comedy *role* of Juliana, as well as in the tragic *role* of Juliet, she finds rare scope for the portrayal of her versatility. She possesses genuine genius, and may feel assured of a hearty reception whenever she visits Richmond again.

At the matinee to-day "The Lady of Lyons" will be given, and to-night she will appear in the beautiful *role* of "Gretchen," with which she will close her engagement.

RICHMOND WILL WELCOME THEM.

Lynn Manufacturers Invited to Enjoy This City's Advantages.

The committee on business enterprises of the Chamber of Commerce addressed yesterday the following letter to the manufacturers of Lynn, Mass.:

A due regard to the inevitable suffering and to the engrossing nature of the demands upon a people so afflicted as those of Lynn, has embarassed the Richmond Chamber of Commerce in determining how to proceed in inviting Lynn manufacturers to visit Richmond with the view of establishing factories here.

To rush in hot haste to that city almost before the embers of the destructive fire had cooled—before the losses had been adjusted, seemed inconsiderate, and unless we felt certain that we could offer both the manufacturer and his employes some solid and unquestioned advantage in transplanting these important industries, it was the part of simple business sagacity and good feeling to delay until both the manufacturers and ourselves could take stock of our positions.

Therefore, if others have been before us in delegations and solicitations, our delay has been from no lack of the deepest interest for the most earnest desire to make such valuable acquisitions to our industrial affairs.

With this explanation of our position we cordially invite any shoe or other manufacturer who has the least idea of transplanting a substantial business from Lynn to visit or correspond with us, and we assure him not only of most cordial treatment, but of a frank and full statement of all the advantages we have to offer.

If free sites for factories—free land for houses of skilled laborers of family, exemption from taxes for a limited period of years, water power, cheap coal, economical labor for certain departments of such industries, a large established shoe trade, unsurpassed facilities for distribution of their goods by water and rail to almost every part of this country and to some foreign countries, contributions of part of the capital, a healthy, beautiful, and orderly city, the best educational facilities, a reasonable cost of living, a cordial welcome, and a God-speed to the good work of rebuilding those industries—if these, we say, are any inducements, we will do everything possible to offer those which we naturally have or can artificially create, and we hope no manufacturer will visit Virginia without coming to Richmond or think of leaving Lynn and not think of coming to Virginia.

Committee on business enterprises of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce: R. H. Whitlock, N. V. Randolph, Ashton Starke, John B. Cary, Thomas Potts, R. A. Dunlop, secretary.

To Inspect the Charlotte.

The Richmond, Baltimore and Chesapeake Steamboat Company has placed a new steamer, the "Charlotte," on the line between West Point and Baltimore, and as the "Charlotte" left Baltimore last evening on her first trip, and will reach West Point this morning, a party of prominent officials of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company, consisting of Vice-President T. M. R. Talcott, General Superintendent W. H. Green, Division Superintendent W. B. Ryder, Traffic Manager Sol Haas and General Freight Agent J. H. Drake, together with representatives of the press, will leave here this morning at 8:30 on a special train to inspect this boat.

Mr. Peter M. Von Finkelstein.

Life in the East will be described and illustrated this week at the hall of the Y. M. C. A. by a native of Jerusalem, Mr. Peter M. Von Finkelstein. Mr. Von Finkelstein has just returned from Palestine, and brings with him a number of elegant and costly costumes, with which he illustrates his description of the customs and methods of oriental life. The entertainments are for the benefit of the Woman's Christian Association, and will be given on Thursday and Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, with a matinee especially for the school children on Saturday at 2 o'clock.

The Bazaar at the Armory.

Interest continues in the ladies' bazaar at the Armory. Last night the Richmond Light Infantry Blues, commanded by Captain Sol. Cutchins, attended the bazaar. Mr. E. Leslie Spence delivered an address of welcome, to which Captain Cutchins responded briefly. One of the features of the bazaar is a handsome picture of the new Grove-avenue Church, for the benefit of which the bazaar is held. To-night Captain Frank Cunningham will sing several of his favorite solos.

Not Ready for the Stew.

In reply to Governor Lee's humorous invitation, Governor Jackson has expressed his thanks, but states that an important engagement will prevent his acceptance. He suggests a conference of Governor Lee and himself at Washington for an amicable settlement of the difficulties. Governor Lee has this suggestion under consideration.

Richmond's Mortality.

The report of the Board of Health for the week ending on Saturday last show the whole number of deaths deaths in the city, exclusive of still births, was 31; of which 13 were white and 18 were colored.

The rate of mortality of the whole population was 16.12 per 1,000; of the white population, 12.07 per 1,000 per annum; of the colored, 21.27 per 1,000 per annum.

The mean temperature for the week was 51.7; amount of rainfall, 0.75 inches.

T. P. A. COLUMN.

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE ASSOCIATION.

Prepared Expressly for the "Daily Times"—Good Work Being Done by the Organization—Personal Notes and Echoes From the Roadside.

The various divisions are sending in most flattering reports of good work being done for the commercial interests of different States, and never before was the power and influence of commercial men felt as it is today over the entire country. Let any business man think for a moment and he will readily see the power for good that can be wielded by a band of men who travel over the entire country in the interest of commerce and now number way up in the thousands, and all will admit that every aim of the Travelers' Protective Association is worthy of emulation, and every object deserving of praise. The time for sentiment has passed. We have in our ranks many of the representative business men of the nation, who are banded together for a noble purpose, and whose minds have passed through "the forges of the gods," upon whose anvils heavy strokes of penetrating thought have moulded them into forms that will shine as brilliant stars upon our commercial world. Jobbers, manufacturers and salesmen, we ask your support, and in the near future results will speak for themselves. We are truly glad

THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

meet in Chicago on next Saturday. It is to be hoped their deliberations will be wise, prudent and pushing, and will forever put a stop to outside interference with the committee work. We would also urge that the appropriations ordered by the Atlantic City Convention be properly distributed to the committees. If the funds are not in the treasury let the treasurer show where the money has gone to and for what. Hold nothing secret from the members. Each and every one has the right to this information, and yet since the national headquarters have been in Chicago everything has been shrouded in mystery. The only mistake the Atlantic City Convention made was in not removing these headquarters to Washington; for so long as they remain where they are contentions will be continually going on.

PERSONAL.

We visited Philadelphia last week, and there met our old and true friend Robert Shean; found him in his splendid new office in the Girard building. He has spared no expense or trouble in making it a charming place to spend an hour. Robert is looking just as well and handsome as when he visited Richmond last. He wanted to inquire about all the boys, but as they were all on the road, we could only so state the fact. Jarden, Pickering, Stoneham, Baker, and Dougherty were all absent on business trips, so we failed to receive their cordial shake.

ECHOES FROM THE ROAD.

Our notes from the road failed to reach us in time for this column. We earnestly request absent members to drop us a line every Saturday night. This will enable us to let all their friends hear from them.

President Hope is and has been for some time on an extended trip. Still he will be here to attend the board meeting.

There is little T. P. A. news to give you until after the 7th; then we expect to lay before you all that was done at Chicago. Various rumors are in circulation as to changes to be made, but until we know definitely cannot vouch for them, as we all sometimes change our minds.

CANE PRESENTATION

To Ex-Postmaster Cullingworth and Mr. E. Courtney Jenkins.

Last night the letter-carriers presented ex-Postmaster W. H. Cullingworth and ex-Assistant Postmaster E. Courtney Jenkins each a handsome gold-headed cane as an appreciation of the kindness shown them during their four years' service under them.

At 8 o'clock last night all the carriers gathered at the residence of one of the carriers, Mr. Charles W. Woodward, 914 north Twenty-fifth street, and from there proceeded to the residence of Mr. Cullingworth, No. 2309 Venable street.

After the formal presentation of the canes by one of the carriers, the ex-Postmaster tendered the boys with a reception, and the festivities were kept up until a late hour.

LOCAL NOTES.

Another trial trip was made on the Main street electric line late yesterday afternoon. Most of the defect of the first trial trip were found to be remedied.

Mr. J. W. Owens, representing Miss Kate Castleton, who will appear next week at the Richmond Theatre in "A Paper Doll," called at the TIMES office yesterday.

The Richmond Choral Society of the Second Baptist Church is preparing for an entertainment to begin in January. The members had a rehearsal last night at the Second Baptist Church.

Assignment of the Love Manufacturing Company.

PITTSBURG, December 3.—The capital stock of the Love Manufacturing Company, of Rochester, Pa., which made an assignment to-day, is $500,000.

J. B. Young, president of the company, is a large stockholder, and is also a director and stockholder in the Lawrence Bank. The bank held considerable amount against the Love Company, which the latter were unable to pay on maturity and were forced to make an assignment.

Superintendent F. C. Bigger, who was made assignee, will make no estimate regarding liabilities.

The works cover three acres, and give employment to one hundred and twenty-five men.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., December 3.—Pittsburg Hall, an annex to the State University building, valued at $150,000, is burning. The building is not yet completed.

Property Transfers.

The following deeds of bargain and sale were recorded yesterday:

IN CITY CHANCERY COURT.

Elizabeth James' trustees to Delia E. Johnston, 47½ feet on north side Poplar street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth, $800; George F. McKenney to Cornelia F. McKenney and children's trustees, 50 feet on north side of Leigh street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth, $5; E. C. Tinsley and wife, to A. L. Perkins' trustees, 57 feet on west side Twenty-eighth street near N, $3,000; same to Mary W. Warriner, 19 feet on west side Twenty-eighth street near N, $1,000; Rose Williams to James H. Dooley, her interest in certain bonds standing in the name of John Enders, executor of William Greanor, $125; Sarah M. Woodson to J. Q. Dickinson, 42¼ feet on north side Chaffin street near Beech, $1,500.

HENRICO COUNTY COURT.

Roswell J. F. Bartlett to P. B. Shield, trustee, personality, $600; Caroline Strother to Chewning & Rose, trustees, lot on south side Leigh street, near northwestern limits of Richmond, $125.

HUSTINGS COURT OF MANCHESTER.

A. L. Adamson and wife to Martha A. F., wife of E. J. Andrews, 49¾ feet on west side Third street near Hull, $239.50; Horace S. Bradley to George E. Wilson, 24 feet on south side Bainbridge street near Nineteenth, $750; Jefferson Mosby and wife and A. Royall, trustee, 31½ feet on south side Decatur street between Seventeenth and Eighteenth, $250; Harriet N. Sparks to Mary V. G. Stone, wife of William B. Stone, 20 feet on south side Bainbridge street between Fourteenth and Fifteenth, $1,100.

Supreme Court of Appeals.

Virginia Midland Railway Company against Washington. Argued by General W. H. Payne for plaintiff in error and G. A. Mushback, Esq., and Judge J. K. M. Norton for defendant in error.

Howell against Commonwealth. Writ of error and *supersedeas* awarded to a judgment rendered by the Circuit Court of Floyd county on the 19th of November, 1889, affirming a judgment of the County Court of said county, rendered the 13th of July, 1889, in a prosecution by the Commonwealth against the petitioner.

E. P. Buford was allowed to practice as counsel in this cout.

The Monitor Fleet.

Rumors continue to prevail that the monitor fleet is to be moved back to City Point. Colonel John B. Purcell, president of the Chamber of Commerce, has appointed Mr. H. L. Pelouze and Major Joseph Walker, of Chesterfield, to lay the facts about the fleet before Secretary Tracy. Both of these gentlemen are Republicans. The monitors are now in the best position to be found in James river or any of its tributaries. All the officers and men are pleased with the location. A number of prominent Republican officeholders have signed the petition addressed to the Secretary of the Navy asking that the fleet remain where it is.

Circuit Court.

Galin & Glenn against The Kilbourne, Jacobs Manufacturing Company. Judgments for defendant.

SUITS INSTITUTED.

J. C. Carpenter & Co., against the Richmond Tunnel and Railroad Construction Company, for $10,782.34. J. C. Carpenter & Co. against the Richmond Tunnel and Railroad Construction Company, for $2,000. These suits grow out the many attempts to build the Eighth-street tunnel. The construction company undertook it, and Carpenter & Co. contracted with them. They did a lot of work, but did not get any money.

The Postoffice Changes.

Postmaster Russell has found that he cannot appoint at once a man in the registered letter department to take the place of Mr. George S. Palmer, who had resigned. As the civil service board has to be notified, the postmaster wrote to the board to send him three names, from which he is to select the appointee. Mr. John L. Grubb's resignation has been accepted by Collector Brady, and Mr. Grubbs will become assistant postmaster as soon as the government inspector finishes the examination of the accounts of Mr. E. Courtney Jenkins.

Governor Lee to Visit the Old North State.

Governor Lee will leave the city this evening at 8 o'clock on a special car for Clinton, North Carolina. On the way he will be joined by Governor Fowle, of North Carolina. Governor Lee goes to deliver an address before the State Agricultural Fair of North Carolina, which opens at that place to-morrow, in celebration of the fact that a hundred years ago North Carolina declared her allegiance to the constitution of the United States. Governor Lee will return to the city to-morrow night.

Chief Bradley Pays His Tribute.

W. A. Bradley, chief of the Pamunkeys, visited the Capitol yesterday, and paid his annual tribute to the State. He presented Governor Lee and Auditor Mayre with a fine wild turkey and several wild ducks. Pressure of business prevented Governor Lee from seeing the chief.

News of the Railroads.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the West Point Terminal and Warehouse Company will be held in this city on the 10th inst. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Richmond and Danville will meet to-day at 12 M. and then adjourn until the 19th.

LYNN, November 30, 1889.

Mr. E. H. Spence, 519 east Broad street, Richmond, Va., Shoe and Trunk House:

Dear Sir,—As you doubtless know, we are sufferers by the fire, but shall call upon you in due season, and shall be in shape to fill your spring orders promptly. Our facilities will be better than ever before. Yours, truly, J. C. BENNETT & BARNARD.

Dictated (Harry Eiply.)

DESERVING OF CONFIDENCE.—There is no article which so richly deserves the entire confidence of the community as BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES. Those suffering from Asthmatic and Bronchial Diseases, Coughs and Colds should try them. Price 25 cents.

Register of Land Office and Superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings.

To the Editor of the Times:

I am informed that Major W. R. Gaines the present incumbent of the office, whose name appears at the head of this communication, is a candidate for reelection. Having had a long and intimate personal acquaintance with Major Gaines, and being also familiar with him in his official capacity, I desire to give briefly a few reasons why the administration of this office should be again committed to him.

I believe that it is universally conceded by persons who have had business to transact with this office, and who are generally familiar with the manner of its management, that its duties have never before been more efficiently and satisfactorily discharged than they have been since it came under the control of the present incumbent.

An impression has prevailed with some persons that there is but a small amount of labor to be performed in the Register's office. Let me say that, whatever may have been the case previously, since Major Gaines took charge of it there has been a great deal of laborious clerical work to be performed. This is due chiefly to the rapid development of the southwestern portion of the state. New railroads have been built, and as a consequence, hundreds of tracts of land have been sold and transferred to Northern people and corporations.

Naturally desiring to know everything in connection with the original claimants and titles to these lands, application has been made to the Register to search into them and to remit copies of grants and surveys to parties desiring to purchase. This has required in many instances patient and very diligent and laborious investigations. Indeed, no one unfamiliar with the duties of the office at the present day conform the slightest idea of the great amount of labor performed here. This work, I am informed by persons competent to testify, has been faithfully and satisfactory performed by Major Gaines.

This gentleman has also charge of the public buildings and the Capitol Park. The superintendency of these has added greatly to his responsibility, as well as to his labors. The Capitol and Governor's mansion have been repainted under his administration.

In addition to this, the Capitol Park has been improved and beautified as it never has been before. Many beautiful ornamental trees and flowers have been set out, the walkways have been regravelled and kept in good condition, and the grass and the trees have been sedulously looked after and preserved; and as a result of all this, in the spring and summer, when nature puts on her gayest attire, there is not a more lovely and attractive park to be seen anywhere in this country. It is a source of pride to our citizens, and is one of the chief objects of admiration of all strangers visiting our metropolitan city.

I will conclude by stating briefly that Major Gaines is a man of unimpeachable character, and is a courteous, warm-hearted, genial, old-fashioned Virginia gentleman. In addition to this he was a brave Confederate soldier, and lost a leg in battle.

In view of all the foregoing considerations, I submit that it would be but a simple act of justice upon the part of the Legislature to re-elect Major Gaines to his present humble position. HENRICO.

The Farmers and the K. of L.

NEW YORK, December 3.—Regarding the proposed consolidation of the Farmers' Union and the Knights of Labor, President Jones, of the former organization, telegraphed the *Herald* from St. Louis, saying: "We can perfect a plan of co-operation if not consolidation. But I see no reason why we should not consolidate. It is very probable that an arrangement will be made, whereby we can co-operate with the Knights of Labor."

Diamond Stealing in New Jersey.

NEWARK, N. J., December 3.—Thieves smashed the window of Jean Tack's jewelry store on Market street to-night, and secured $2,000 worth of diamonds. The thieves fastened the store door from the outside before breaking the window, thus preventing immediate pursuit. Two women who were in the store looking at some jewelry at the time are believed to have been accomplices of the scoundrels.

The Montana Muddle.

HELENA, MONT., December 3.—The House and Senate met to-day with the usual result and adjourned. The rumor that has been afloat that the Democrats desire to hold a joint conference to discuss the situation of a compromise cannot be traced to any authentic source. Although all are no doubt willing to meet, no official overtures have been made.

Assignment in Chattanooga.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., December 3.—The Central Elevator Company of this city assigned to-day. Liabilities $170,000, and assets about the same. The failure was precipitated by the depreciation of grain in the company's elevator. A report that the warehouse receipts are duplicated in several instances has caused some excitement.

HARTFORD, CONN., December 3.—A dozen or fifteen of the Connecticut postmasters arrested for violating the postal laws by selling postage stamps on credit appeared before the United States District Court to-day. They were fined $50 and costs, amounting in all to $110.

Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint.

Is it not worth the small price of 75 cents to free yourself of every symptom of these distressing complaints? If you think so, call at our store and get a bottle of Shiloh's Vitalizer. Every bottle has a printed guarantee on it. Use accordingly, and if it does you no good it will cost you nothing. Sold by Bodeker Brothers and H. M. Sheilds & Co., corner of Fifth and Marshall streets.

Advice to Mothers.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Tu,Th,S&W

Henrico Grand Jury.

The following grand jury was drawn yesterday for the January term of the County Court of Henrico: W. M. McGruder, W. T. Massie, W. B. Radcliffe, J. M. Fourqurean, C. L. Miller, W. D. Irby, I. F. Mitchell, W. A. Harrison, and Robert C. Friend.

There will be a number of parties for the grand jury to indict.

Attention is called to the advertisement of the Chamber of Commerce inviting all owners of property suitable for manufacturing purposes, situated within three miles of Richmond, to submit plans and specifications, with prices, &c., of such property, to be kept on file at the rooms of the Chamber for public inspection. This is done on account of the effort being made to induce the burned-out shoe manufactories in Lynn to establish the works here.

A New Train for Richmond.

Commencing Monday, November 25th, a new daily train to be known as the "Richmond and Norfolk Through Express," will be placed on the Richmond and Petersburg and Norfolk and Western Railroads, running through solid without transfer of passengers, baggage, mail or express between Richmond and Norfolk, leaving Richmond at 9:40 A. M., arriving at Norfolk 12:30 noon, and returning leave Norfolk at 5 P. M., arriving in Richmond at 7:30 P. M.

The afternoon train known as the "Fast Mail," leaving Richmond at 2:58 P. M., making close