FINANCE AND COMMERCE

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF MONEY.

Offerings and Sales at the Richmond Tobacco Exchange—Internal Revenue Collections—Foreign Advices.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—The stock market presented a little of interest to-day. General Electric was heavy throughout and declined from 37 to 35⅝, and all the unfavorable stories about the property which have been published from time to time for months past were again put into circulation. It was even said that a leading bear, who was a large seller, was employed by insiders to sell long stock. The general market was strong in the early trading and prices moved up a point all around. New England and Distillers lead the list at this time. New England was in demand on the revival of the reports about a New York terminus. Distillers rose on rumors that the concern was starting up its idle distilleries. This strength on the market was short-lived, however, and when General Electric dropped below 34 the whole market began to sag. Sugar suffered the greatest loss, falling 1⅜. Distillers declined 1, St. Paul and Omaha 1⅛, Western Union ⅜, Chicago Gas 1⅛, Burlington and Quincy 1, St. Paul and Delaware and Hudson 1. In the specialties, Edison Illuminating, of New York, sold at 95, against 101⅜, the last reported sale. Lackawanna brought 165¼, against 170, the last sale before to-day. The net sales for the day were ¼ to 1 per cent., Manhattan leading. Transactions were light, amounting to only 210,000 shares. Railway and miscellaneous bonds were strong.

Money on call has been easy, ranging from 1 to 1½ per cent., last loan at 1½ per cent., and closing offered at 1½ per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 4½@5 per cent.; bar silver, 69¼; Mexican dollars, 56⅝. Sterling exchange strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at 483½@483¾ for sixty days and 485½@486 for demand; posted rates, 484½@487; commercial bills, 482¾@483 for sixty days and 484½@485 for demand. Government bonds easier. State bonds dull. Railroad bonds stronger. Silver at the Stock Exchange was neglected.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Closing Bids.
American Cotton Oil	30½
American Cotton Oil preferred	70¾
American Sugar	94⅜
American Sugar Refineries, pref'd	88
American Tobacco	83
American Tobacco preferred	94½
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe	19½
Baltimore and Ohio	70
Canada Pacific	73
Chesapeake and Ohio	19⅜
Chicago and Alton	135
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy	80⅝
Chicago Gas Trust	63⅞
Delaware, Lack. and Western	166
Distillers	30⅝
East Tennessee, Va. and Georgia	¾
East Tenn., Va. and Ga. preferred	5
Erie	14¼
Erie preferred	28
General Electric	34
Illinois Central	92½
Lake Erie and Western	16½
Lake Erie and Western preferred	67
Lake Shore	127⅝
Louisville and Nashville	48⅞
Louisville, New Albany & Chicago	9¼
Manhattan Consolidated	127
Memphis and Charleston	10
Michigan Central	100½
Missouri Pacific	25⅛
Mobile and Ohio	15½
Nash., Chattanooga and St. Louis	73
National Cordage	21⅝
National Cordage preferred	48
New Jersey Central	115½
New York Central	102¾
New York and New England	30⅝
Norfolk and Western preferred	20
Northern Pacific	6⅝
Northern Pacific preferred	22⅜
Northwestern	106¾
Northwestern preferred	139
Pacific Mail	16½
Reading	20
Richmond and West Point	2⅞
Rock Island	68⅜
St. Paul	61⅝
St. Paul preferred	119
Silver Certificates	70
Tennessee Coal and Iron	15¼
Tennessee Coal and Iron preferred	70
Texas Pacific	7⅝
Union Pacific	19
Wabash	7⅝
Wabash preferred	16⅝
Western Union	88⅝
Wheeling and Lake Erie	15
Wheeling and Lake Erie preferred	50⅝

BONDS.

Alabama—Class A	97
Alabama—Class B	100
Alabama—Class C	97
Louisiana Stamped 4's	97
North Carolina 4's	94
North Carolina 6's	110
Tennessee Old 6's	60
Tennessee New Settlement 6's	100
Tennessee New Settlement 5's	99
Tennessee New Settlement 3's	71½
Virginia 6's	50
Virginia Ex-Matured Coupons	35
Virginia Consols	53½
United States 4's, registered	112¾
United States 4's, coupon	112¾
United States 2's, coupon	94½

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, ILL., Nov. 23.—There was not much trade in wheat to-day, but what there was was principally from local scalpers. The feeling was rather easier throughout, and the close weak. The opening was unchanged from yesterday's closing, declining ⅜@½c., rallied ⅝c. again, became weak and sold down ⅞c., closing ⅝@⅞c. lower for May and ⅝c. lower for December.

Corn was rather quiet, fluctuating in response to the changes in wheat. The market opened slightly under last night's closing, worked down ⅜@½c., rallied ¼c., again declined, and at the close was ⅜c. lower than yesterday.

Oats—The range of the speculative market for oats was narrow, covering but ⅛@¼c. range. The feeling changed with wheat and corn, but the trade was too light to cause any heavy fluctuations. The net loss for the day was ⅛@¼c.

Provisions—The opening was strong and higher on the run of live hogs at the yards, being less than the estimates, with better prices for them. Packers and shorts were good buyers, and as offerings were scarce, there was a resultant advance. Later in the day prices became easier, when wheat and corn weakened, but the close was slightly higher than yesterday all around. January pork closed 2½c. higher than yesterday, January lard 7½c. higher, and January ribs 5@7½c. higher.

Cash Quotations—Flour—Prices unchanged and feeling a little steadier; No. 2 spring wheat, 60⅝c.; No. 2 red, 60⅝c.; No. 2 corn, 35½c.; No. 2 oats, 28c.; pork, $12.75@13.00; lard, $8.50; short rib sides, $7.00@7.25; dressed shoulders, $6.50@6.75; short clear sides, $8.25@8.37½; whisky, $1.15.

	Opening.	Closing.
Wheat—		
November	61⅛	60⅝
December	61⅞	61⅛
May	68½	67⅞
Corn—		
November	36	35½
December	35⅝	35½
January	35⅞	35½
May	40⅝	39⅞
Oats—		
November	27½	27½
December	27⅞	27¾
May	30⅞	30¾
Mess Pork—		
January	$12.00	$12.47½
May	12.70	12.82½
Lard—		
January	7.85	7.85
May	7.77½	7.72½
Short Ribs—		
January	6.57½	6.57½
May	6.67½	6.65

THE COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Cotton quiet and steady; middling uplands, 8¼; middling Orleans, 4⅝; sales, 425 bales. Futures closed very steady; sales, 208,800 bales: November, 8.05; December, 8.10; January, 8.13; February, 8.21; March, 8.29; April, 8.36; May, 8.43; June, 8.50.

Total net receipts of cotton at all ports to-day, 40,651 bales; exports to Great Britain, 30,844 bales; France, 13,574 bales; Continent, 7,605 bales; total, 1,866,-895 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts, 232,122 bales; exports to Great Britain, 1,3,799 bales; France, 23,698 bales; Continent, 36,198 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 23.—Noon.—Cotton in moderate demand at firm prices; American middling, 4 7-16; sales, 12,000 bales; American, 10,400 bales; speculation and export, 1,000 bales; receipts, 44,000 bales; American, 4,300 bales. Futures firm and demand fair; November, 4 24-64; November-December, 4 24-64@4 25-64; December-January, 4 23-64@4 24-64; January-February, 4 23-64@4 25-64; February-March, 4 25-64@4 26-64; March-April, 4 26-64@4 27-64; April-May, 4 27-64; May-June, 4 29-64@4 30-64; June-July, 4 31-64.

4 P. M.—American middling, fair, 4 15-16; good middling, 4⅝; middling, 4½; low middling, 4⅝; good ordinary, 4¼; ordinary, 4 1-16; November, 4 25-64; December, 4 25-64@4 26-64; December-January, 4 25-64@4 26-64; January-February, 4 25-64; February-March, 4 26-64, buyers; March-April, 4 27-64, buyers; April-May, 4 29-64, sellers; May-June, 4 30-64@4 31-64; June-July, 4 32-64@4 33-64. Futures closed firm.

DAILY COTTON LETTER.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—The following is the daily cotton letter of Atwood, Violett & Co. by private wire to C. W. Branch & Co.:

The improvement to-day here was greater than had been generally expected yesterday, or 16 points above last night's closing. The improvement at Liverpool was 3-64, just what we thought it should be in order to bring about further improvement on this side to-day. That the bullish feeling is more pronounced is evidenced by the large amount of buying here up to 1 o'clock, since which time the realizings by the long interest, which have been of considerable size, caused some decline, and final prices are 13 to 14 points better than last night. Liverpool must now improve still further to-morrow in order to meet the general advance here to-day, but in the event that that market does not respond, it might occasion decline here of 5 or 6 points at the opening in the morning, from which we think there would be a recovery, slow or rapid, according to the amount of buying orders that might be here for execution. What gives support to contracts now is southern spot markets, also increased demand, and therefore more tenacity by spot holders, and with the movement for this week and next, little, if any, in excess of last year, it should stimulate Liverpool and the Continent, and still further add to the strength on this side. Whether Europe will respond, particularly Liverpool, is now the question. Speculation might drive prices here and carry Liverpool and the Continent in spite of themselves, as was done last year, but unless the volume of speculation should be sufficiently large to do this, we shall have to wait upon the spinner. In other words, the markets on this side have been pushed up far enough until we have more support from abroad. As to the eventualities, we believe in a crop of moderate size, and we believe further that prices should sell much higher, and with us the only question is whether there will be a better opportunity to buy than current prices. That is the question we think our readers can answer for themselves quite as well as we can. New Orleans estimates receipts there next week 85,000 bales, against 83,000 bales last year; Savannah 35,000 bales to 37,000 bales, against 33,000 last year. Our information from the interior to-day indicates the movement, so far as heard from, somewhat under last year, but we think that the week's receipts at the interior will show about 108,000 bales, against 93,000 bales last year and 98,000 bales last week.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Flour market steady; winter wheat, low grades, $2.00@2.45; patent, $3.40@3.65; Minnesota clear, $2.50@2.90; patent, $3.80@4.35; low extras, $2.05@2.45. Southern flour dull and steady; common to fair extra, $2.50@3.00; fair to choice, $3.10@3.40.

Wheat fair and dull, closing firm; No. 2 red, steamer, 66@66¼c. Options weak at ⅛@⅜c. decline, rallied ¼c., and fell ⅝@⅞c., closed weak at ⅝@⅞c. under yesterday, and trading fair; closing—January, 67¾c.; November, 65⅝c.; December, 66⅝c. Corn—Spot ⅞c. lower; 45½@45⅝c. afloat. Options declined ½c. and steady, with dull trade; November, 44½c.; December, 44½c.

Oats—Spot dull; white firmer. Options dull and easier; November, 34c.; December, 34¼c.; January, 34¾c.; No. 2 white, December, 36⅛c. Spot—No. 2, 34c.; No. 2 white, 36c.; mixed Western, 35@36½c.; white do., 36@40c.

Hay quiet and easy; spring, 60c.; good to choice, 70@80c.

Wool quiet and unsettled; domestic, 20@25c.; pulled, 16@28c.

Beef dull and steady; family, $12.00@14.50; extra mess, $10.50@11.00; beef hams quiet at $15.50; tierced beef inactive; pickled bellies, $8.62½; shoulders, $6.25@6.37½; middles nominal.

Lard quiet and firmer; Western steam, $9.00; city, $8.00. Futures nominal. Refined quiet; Continent, $9.30; South America, $9.75; compound, $7.00@7.25.

Pork dull and steady; mess, $15.50@16.50.

Butter quiet and steady; Western dairy, 16@22c.; do., creamery, 20@27½c.; Elgins, 27½c.

Cotton seed oil in light supply and steady; crude, 30c.; yellow, 36c.

Petroleum quiet and unchanged.

Rosin moderate and firm; strained, $1.30@1.32½.

Turpentine steady at 30@30½c.

Rice firm and fairly active; domestic, 3⅝@5¾c.; Japan, 4⅝@4¾c.

Molasses—Foreign nominal; New Orleans steady and quiet at 30@38c.

Peanuts quiet; fancy hand-picked, 4@4½c.

Coffee—Options steady and unchanged to 10 points down: November, $16.75; January, $16.00@16.05; March, $15.65@15.70; May, $15.35. Spot Rio dull and nominal; No. 7, $17.75@17.87½.

Sugar—Raw dull and steady; fair refining, 2⅝c.; 96-test centrifugal, 3@3⅛c. Refined steady and in moderate demand; off A, 3¾@4 3-16c.; standard A, 4 5-16@4½c.; cut-loaf, 5@5 3-16c.; crushed, 5@5 3-16c.; granulated, 4⅝c.

Freights to Liverpool quiet and steady; cotton, 11-64d.; grain nominal.

BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, MD., Nov. 23.—Flour firm; Western superfine, $1.85@2.15; extra, $2.15@2.75; family, $3.00@3.25; winter wheat, patent, $3.40@3.65; spring, $3.25@3.45.

Wheat firmer; No. 2 red spot and November, 64⅛@64⅜c.; December, 65¼@65⅜c.; steamer No. 2 red, 61@61¼c.; milling wheat, by sample, 65@66c.

Corn firm; mixed, November, 43⅜@43½c.; year, 42½@42⅝c.; steamer mixed, 40½@41c.; white corn, by sample, 40@41c.; yellow do., 38½@42c.

Oats steady to firm; No. 2 white, Western, 35c.; No. 2 mixed, Western, 34c.

Rye dull; No. 2, 53c.

Hay quiet; good to choice timothy, $14.50@15.50.

Grain freights quiet and unchanged.

Butter firm; creamery, fancy, 27@28c.; do., fair to choice, 24@26c.; do., imitation, 23@24c.

Eggs steady; Western, 21c.; near by, 21@22c.

Other articles unchanged.

Stocks—Virginia consol threes, 64; Baltimore and Ohio stock, 86; Northern Central stock, 68⅛; Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern firsts, 104@105; second incomes, 21; third incomes, 7@9; Consolidated Gas bonds, 112; do. stocks, 56¼@56½.

ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 23.—Flour—Very little done.

Wheat lower; November, 57⅝c.; December, 57⅝@57¾c.

Corn quiet; November, 33c.; December, 32⅝@32⅞c.; year, 32¼c.

Oats—November, 28½c.; December, 28⅝c.; May, 30⅜c.

Pork—Standard mess, $14.75@15.00; on orders, $15.50@15.75.

Lard—Prime steam, $8.25.

Dressed Meats—Shoulders, $6.50; longs and clear ribs, $7.25; shorts, $7.50.

Bacon—Boxed shoulders, $7.25; longs, $8.50; clear ribs, $8.50; shorts, $8.75.

High wines steady at $1.15.

CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 23.—Flour—Family, $2.70@2.85.

Wheat firmer at 60c. for No. 2; sample red at 52c.

Corn quiet; No. 2 white, 38c.; rejected white, 35c.

Oats—Market has an inclination to advance; No. 2 mixed, 31½c.

Pork—Mess, $13.00@13.25; family, $14.00; clear family, $15.00.

Lard—Steam leaf, $8.25; leaf, $8.50.

Bacon steady; shoulders, $7.50; short rib sides, $8.25; short clears, $8.50.

Whisky steady at $1.15.

WILMINGTON.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Nov. 23.—Rosin firm; strained, $1.00; good strained, $1.05.

Turpentine steady at 25c.

Tar firm at $1.10.

Crude turpentine firm; hard, $1.05; soft and virgin, $1.70.

CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 23.—Turpentine steady at 27c.

Rosin firm at $1.00 for good strained.

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, VA., Nov. 23, 1893.

Offerings—Wheat, 1,280 bushels; corn (white), 762 bushels; corn (mixed), 200 bushels; oats, 1,000 bushels.

Sales—Wheat, 1,280 bushels; corn (white), 762 bushels.

Quotations—Wheat—Longberry, 62c. to 65c.; mixed, 60c. to 65c.; shortberry, 58c. to 65c.; No. 2 red, 64c.

Corn—White, prime Virginia (bag lots), 46c.; No. 2 white, 46c.; white (new), 45c. to 46c.; No. 2 mixed, 45c.

Oats—Winter (for seed), 34c. to 37c.; No. 2 mixed, 34½c. to 35c.; No. 3 mixed, 33½c. to 34c.

Rye, 53c. to 58c.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC, Nov. 24, 1893.

Sun rises	7:01	Moon rises	5:54 a. m.
Sun sets	4:53	Day's length	9h. 52m.

PORT OF WEST POINT, Nov. 23, 1893.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Richmond, Dole, New York, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Charlotte, Nickle, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Elm City, Marshall, Walkerton, passengers and general cargo.

SAILED.

Steamship Richmond, Dole, New York, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Charlotte, Nickle, Baltimore, York, general cargo.

Steamship Elm City, Marshall, Walkerton, passengers and general cargo.

OBITUARY.

Edward Y. Cannon.

Mr. Edward Y. Cannon, one of Richmond's oldest and most highly respected lawyers, died suddenly at his residence 108 west Grace street, this morning at 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. Cannon has lived in this city for a number of years. His sudden decease will be a great blow to his many friends.

Mrs. W. S. Robertson.

The board of managers of the Richmond Exchange for Woman's Work, at a meeting held November 17th, adopted the following paper.:

"By the death of our faithful co-worker, Mrs. Myrtle Hawes Robertson, the Richmond Exchange for Woman's Work has lost one of its truest friends, and the management a most valued and trusted adviser. With great strength of character and sound, practical judgment, she was energetic, unselfish, loyal, and sincere; and above all, a consistent, active Christian, who adorned 'the doctrine of God, our Saviour, in all things,' and daily illustrated the characteristic of the 'virtuous woman whose price is far above rubies.'

"May the recollection of the virtues which rendered her life attractive and valuable lead us to emulate her example.

"While we deeply deplore the loss to this institution, we are also personally bereaved, and shall long mourn the departure of one so useful and beloved.

"We extend heartfelt sympathy to the afflicted family and sorrowing relatives with the earnest prayer that they may ever be enabled to feel 'Thy will be done.'"

An Old Veteran.

Ignatz Brechelsen, a member of Johnson's battery of artillery in the Army of Northern Virginia, died Wednesday at the Confederate Soldiers' Home, near this city, and was laid beside thousands of his comrades in Hollywood yesterday afternoon. Rev. Dr. Hoge conducted the simple services.

AN ELOQUENT TRIBUTE.

Rev. John J. Lafferty Upon the Death of Mrs. Violet Pace Jackson.

A profound sorrow was caused, not only in Richmond, but in the whole South, when the death of Mrs. Violet Pace Jackson, the beloved wife and help-mate of Bishop H. Melville Jackson, of Alabama, was announced, and the following splendid editorial tribute in the Richmond Christian Advocate strikes a responsive chord in the breasts of all who knew her:

A decade ago the brilliant and erratic Professor Swing, of Chicago, in an article in the North American Review, gave opinion that the South never nourished a single preacher of pulpit power. This sneer of Swing's gave me a best friend; for a minister of this city, Rev. Mr. Jackson, of Grace church, joined in the purpose to prove the error of the Chicago lecturer. For two years we gave to the public in the Southern Pulpit a series of sermons from our section superior to the printed discourses elsewhere. Professor Swing, who read the periodical, wrote us a letter retracting his mistaken utterance. In the meantime my catholic, zealous, gifted co-laborer won upon the esteem of the many Methodist ministers who met in the editorial rooms of the magazine. Our college recognized his learning and genius by its degree of Doctor of Divinity.

With glad eyes I saw him wed a maiden endowed with all the virtues that adorn the home, win troops of friends, make religion lovely to all eyes, given to good deeds, carrying the cares of the lowly upon her young heart. This marriage, to the great concourse in the drawing rooms of the father, seemed the summit of human felicity. It was a match the angels might have made.

He rose to the highest place in his Church—the Bishopric. She illustrated the sweetness and fragrance of the Christian home, following nearer every day and close the print of the sandal of Him "whose blessed feet, for our advantage, were nailed to the bitter tree." Earth and sky conspired to keep their cup of happiness full to the brim.

Last Thursday Bishop Jackson was in his diocese of distant Alabama, but with face turning towards Virginia, bearing with anticipated joy as the swift wheels were bearing him back to our chief city, where the wife still lingered and lengthened her annual visit under the loved roof-tree of her father and mother—her girlhood home—while her two tiny tots were scattering sunshine and gladness at the same hearthstone of their grandparents, doting on every lisping word, without warning, on the afternoon of that day, Mrs. Violet Pace Jackson died in the arms of her mother. If strands of steel had slightest trace of nerve in their metal fibre, the iron cord carrying the cruel words of woe would have shuddered to tell the husband on the car or the father at the thermal waters near the Alleghanies, the evil tidings. Were such sad syllables ever said since science gave dumb wires a tongue?

The curious, inquisitive, classic people of antiquity, scanning human affairs and seeing so often under sunny skies the sudden wreck of argosies of happiness in eye-shot of shore on smooth seas, invented Nemesis as a solution—a goddess envious of the smile of peace and prosperity, and with power to smite. The Orient contributes the story of the Man of Uz as elucidation: Job, fearing "God and eschewing evil," finds his children corpses. Jesus discloses the true view: "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth." JOHN J. LAFFERTY.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW.

The Various Chapters of the Organization Gather at St. James' Church.

Perhaps the most interesting church sociable ever given in this city was the one which took place last evening in the lecture room of St. James' Episcopal church. It was under the auspices of the chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, of that church, and invitations were extended to the members of the various chapters of this city.

The attendance was very large, and good representations were present from the chapters of Moore Memorial, St. John's, St. Mark's, St. Paul's, Monumental, St. Andrew, Emanuel, Christ, and St. James' churches. Among the Episcopal ministers present were Rev. John K. Mason and Rev. William J. Morton, of St. James'; Rev. R. P. Williams, of St. Paul's; Rev. C. R. Kuyk, of Weddell Memorial Chapel; Rev. J. B. Newton, of Monumental; Rev. Pike Powers, of St. Andrew; Rev. Preston Nash, of Christ church; and Rev. Mr. Randolph, of Emanuel church. Tables were spread along the walls of the lecture room and the visitors, at their arrival were invited to partake of a splendid supper which was served by the young ladies of the congregation of St. James' church.

The entertainment was opened with a short address by Rev. J. K. Mason, rector of the church, whereupon Mr. and Mrs. Conway R. Gordon sang a duet. "The Sewanee River" was rendered in a very attractive manner by a quartet consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Conway R. Gordon, Miss Lilian Yarbrough, and Mr. Eugene Jones.

Rev. R. P. Williams, assistant rector of St. Paul's church, entertained the audience with the reading of an article, "The Art of Bookmaking," by Washington Irving.

Mr. B. B. Valentine greatly added to the enjoyment of all present by giving recitations in negro dialect of one of his own compositions, entitled "Before the War." Mr. Valentine pleased his audience so well that he had to add two more of his compositions, entitled "Experience of a Negro on an Electric Car" and "Aunt Dinah at the Fair."

The entertainment was a decided success and greatly aided in bringing the members of the various chapters in close contact.

A DELIGHTFUL CONCERT.

A Large Crowd at Cathedral Hall and a Handsome Sum Realized.

A concert was given at Cathedral Hall last evening by some of the best amateur talent of the city, for the benefit of the Aid and Beneficial Society of St. Peter's Cathedral, which was attended by a very large crowd, and proved a success in every particular.

The programme included a number of choice selections of both vocal and instrumental numbers.

The lady soloists were Mrs. Emory Shaw, who rendered, in a most artistic manner, Bishoff's ever-welcome "Jamie Dear;" Miss Anna B. Kirk, one of the leading sopranos of St. Peter's Cathedral, who delighted the audience with a beautiful conception of Marie Lempert's famous nightingale song, receiving a double encore, and Miss Sallie Bidgood, a pupil of Bishoff of Washington, whose clear contralto voice was a revelation to those who heard it, this being her first appearance in concert.

The gentlemen soloists were Mr. J. Emory Shaw, basso; Mr. Eugene H. Clowes, baritone; Mr. Thomas Stanly Edgar, baritone; Mr. J. W. Tribbett, tenor.

The Old Dominion Symphony Club and a well-trained chorus made up the most excellent programme.

A delightful feature, in addition to the music, was the reading of Mrs. Logan, and her recitations showed her to be a finished pupil of the Shakspearean school.

Her costuming was very attractive, and she exhibited much grace in the rendition of selections from "Much Ado about Nothing," and "Romeo and Juliet."

The concert was under the management of Mrs. Philip J. Ryan, and the direction of Mr. J. Louis Sullivan, while Mr. Shepherd Webb rendered valuable assistance as accompanist.

Among those present were Right Rev. Bishop Van de Vyver and the Catholic clergy of the city. A handsome sum was realized.

THE EQUITABLE LEAGUE KILLED.

Eight Courts in Richmond Affected by the Decision.

According to a special telegram from Baltimore, published in The Times yesterday, the Equitable League of America received its death blow Wednesday. Judge Harlan, of the Superior Court, handed down his decision in the quo warranto suit brought by the State. In the decision Judge Harlan held the charter of the organization had been forfeited, and that the receivers should be appointed to wind up the affairs.

Among the 4,000 members affected by the decision are quite a number in this city, where there are eight courts, as follows:

Marshall Court, No. 9, F. C. Jones, clerk, James E. Phillips, treasurer; Jefferson Court, No. 13; Church Hill Court, No. 25, James B. Allan, justice, J. C. Tignor, treasurer, G. H. Wirgfield, clerk; Grace Court, No. 57, J. H. Layne, justice, J. W. Booker, clerk, Ramon Garcin, treasurer; Sidney Court, No. 63, Thomas J. Payne, justice, R. J. James, treasurer, Ivanhoe Schlater, clerk; —— Court, No. 68 (Manchester), S. R. Owens, justice, J. E. Utz, treasurer; Valley Court, No. 90; East End Court, No. 92, W. T. Kelley, justice, T. L. D. Walford, treasurer, George W. Walford, clerk.

The Equitable League was started in 1886 as a death and sick benefit order. Subsequently it issued seven-year endowment policies for $1,000 each in ignorance of the fact that its charter did not give the right to do this.

Existence of Small-Pox.

Dr. Paulus A. Irving, secretary of the State Board of Health, stated yesterday in reference to the existence of a number of cases of small-pox in the southwestern part of the State, that the existing laws of Virginia did not give the State Board of Health any authority, but merely made it an advisory board. He said that suggestions would be offered to prevent the spreading of the disease. A good deal of trouble was caused by the lack of prompt action. Where a disease of such a malignant nature made its appearance, the very first case should be quarantined and isolated to prevent its spreading.

Vaccination was the best preventive measure and should be strictly enforced. The Doctor added that he had requested the Superintendent of Public Instruction to instruct every school superintendent in the State to have all the children in school vaccinated.

The State Board of Health will endeavor to induce the Legislature to amend the existing laws so as to give the Board some power to do something in the matter.

Fitz Lee's Chances.

There was quite a gathering of prominent statesmen at the Exchange Hotel yesterday, where General Fitz. Lee, candidate for United States Senate, had made his headquarters. The General was in his best humor, and looked very confident. While he did not care to express an opinion on the political outlook, his friends stated that they felt satisfied that he would win the race.

Among the latest arrivals was General William H. Payne, who, it was said, had come here as a supporter of General Lee, to counteract certain influences which had been brought to bear in certain quarters in favor of Mr. Martin's candidacy.

General Martin returned to Washington last evening, while General Lee will remain here over Sunday.

A Good Horse Show.

That there is such a thing as "horse sense" was clearly shown to a large and delighted audience at the Academy of Music last evening by Professor Bartholomew's Equine Paradox.

The features of the performance were the school, the military drill, and the defence of the fort by the whole troupe of horses, while the jumping of Sprite and the feats performed by Pope on a twenty-inch plank were warmly applauded. Taken altogether, it is one of the most enjoyable performances of the kind ever seen here, and is well worth the price of admission.

Through the kindness of both the managers of the Academy and the Paradox, the children of St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum have been invited to attend the matinee Saturday.

A Home Wedding.

Miss Ada A. Guvernator and Mr. R. Lee King were married yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Father Donahue, of St. Patrick's church.

Mr. Oscar Meyer was best man, and Messrs. Charles E. Phillips, James E. Leidy, and Marion Barnett acted as ushers. The happy couple left after the ceremony for a northern trip of three weeks.

The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. P. L. Guvernator. The groom is connected with the Richmond Gas Works. He is very popular among his numerous friends.

The First Snow.

The first real snow of the season began falling last night about 10:30 o'clock. At first the flakes were small, and descended timidly, but later on, towards 12 o'clock, they increased in size and number, and traveling on foot was extremely disagreeable by reason of the brisk winds blowing the fluffy, semi-liquid stuff in one's face. The mercury registered only 42 degrees about midnight, and the snow melted on reaching the ground.

Property Transfers.

Richmond: John Cummings and wife to Ann Maria Jones, 25 feet on west side Buchanan street, $200.

Henrico: A. A. Kelly's trustees to E. T. Bradley, 29 feet on Twenty-second street, southwest corner X, $950; Nicholas J. Smith and wife to Varina School Board's trustees, one-half acre on Charles City road, $15.

Manchester School Board.

The Manchester School Board held their regular monthly meeting at the High School building last night. Chairman O'Brien presided. The usual amount of routine business was transacted, after which the Board decided that intermediate and final examinations should be held in the public schools of the city. In some of the schools teachers are needed. The Board are anxious to secure several good substitute teachers to fill certain positions.

GOLD FIELDS OF THE YUKON.

Plenty of the Precious Metal, But it is Difficult to Reach.

Some destitute Alaskan miners, who were recently landed in San Francisco by a United States revenue steamship, brought a dismal account of the gold fields of the Yukon country. They do not dispute the claim that mineral wealth exists there, but say that a great part of it lies under impenetrable mountains of ice. Moreover, the high cost of living renders the prospects of the average miner extremely dubious. Flour sells for twelve dollars a hundred pounds and sugar twenty-five cents a pound, and other necessaries of life are proportionately as dear. For a meal of corn beef and beans in the settlements, seventy-five cents is charged. Inclement weather, too, limits the mining season to three and a half months each year. "Mining in Alaska," said one of the prospectors, "is different from mining in any other region I ever heard of. In prospecting for a claim you first have to dig up from six inches to three feet of moss, and beneath that is a mass of ice of questionable depth which has to be thawed before you strike bed-rock. I have seen men thaw out thirty feet of ice and then not get anything." He admitted, however, that occasionally the gold-seeker "struck it rich." "We learned before we left," he says, "that there were four men who had each taken out ten thousand dollars' worth of gold dust this summer. There are several others who will carry away five thousand dollars' worth of gold dust, but then some of these men have been prospecting all through the Yukon district for several years past without scraping up more than enough to live on. The miner who secures enough dust to pay his passage back to San Francisco is doing well."

A DAM-SITE.

More Land Has Been Purchased by the City of Petersburg.

PETERSBURG, VA., Nov. 23.—Special. Mr. W. N. Langley, representing Mr. Thomas F. Cavanaugh, of Boston, sold to-day to the city of Petersburg 328 acres of land in Dinwiddie county, as a site for the new dam to be built to increase the present water supply of the city. The price paid for it was $10,990 cash. The city has also purchased from Mrs. Julius Johnson seventy-two additional acres of land for the purposes of the dam at a cost of $2,150. The construction of the dam will be begun on Monday, and it is expected to be completed by the 1st of March next.

Four tracts of land in Prince George county, five miles from Petersburg, have been sold at the following prices: 131 acres at $8 per acre, to W. C. Munt; 200 acres to J. S. Johnson, for $1,270; 97 acres to P. P. Batte, $1.10 per acre; 110 acres to W. C. Munt, at $1.10 per acre.

THE WEST VIRGINIA DEBT.

Those Interested in Its Adjustment Hopeful of Success.

A special from Baltimore in the New York Times of yesterday says:

"John Gill, president of the Adjustment Company, which has undertaken the settlement of the West Virginia debt, says that the company will have enough of the debt certificates on deposit to go before the Virginia Legislature when it shall meet next winter and urge a recognition of the company and its projected plan.

"Mr. Gill says that the first work of the Adjustment Company will be to get Virginia and West Virginia to deal with each other in this matter. This accomplished, he believes a settlement of the entire matter cannot be long delayed. West Virginia alleges that it does not owe as much as was set aside to await the settlement between the two States.

"Virginia will not come to an agreement or take any steps to bring about a settlement, fixing the amount to be arranged for by West Virginia, unless the certificate holders agree to release Virginia and surrender their certificates for such new obligations as West Virginia shall issue."

BLOODY RIOT AT LUMBERTON.

Two Men Killed and Several Wounded—Result of the "Wets" Carrying the Town.

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 23.—Special.—Parties who arrived here to-day brought news of a bloody and fatal riot at Lumberton, growing out of a jollification over a local option election, in which the wets carried the day. Two men were killed and several others are said to be badly injured. Fire arms and knives were freely used.

Commissioner of Agriculture John Robinson, president; A. Q. Holliday and Professor W. F. Massey, of the A. and M. College, have gone to the eastern part of the State, where they will hold a series of farmers' institutes.

The North Carolina exhibit at the World's Fair arrived here to-day, and is being unpacked as fast as possible, and will be placed on exhibition at once, in the State Museum, where special new apartments have been built for it.

News is received here of a high-handed proceeding by moonshiners, at Sanford, this morning. An illicit distillery outfit had been captured from them by revenue officers, and placed in the Sanford depot for shipment. Early this morning they broke into the depot, captured the outfit and carried it away in triumph. Up to date, they have not been captured.

Last night, at Newberne, burglars entered a saloon and secured $1,200 from the safe. At latest accounts no clue to the burglars had been secured.

STANDARD BRED HORSES.

Sale Yesterday at Dangerfield Stock Farm—Low Prices Realized.

CULPEPER, VA., Nov. 23.—Special.—The advertised sales of standard-bred horses at Daingerfield Stock Farm to-day were well attended, but owing to the low prices being realized, several inside numbers were withdrawn and only a few horses were offered for sale.

Following is a list of the horses sold and their prices: The first animal sold was Pretty Pilot, by Sam Purdy, to M. Adler, Baltimore, Md., for $1,500; No. 1 bay colt by Nutwood, to Triplett, Culpeper, Va., $61; No. 2, bay filly Nutwith, to Louis Becker, Baltimore, Md., for $150; No. 3, brown colt, by Omah Pasha, to Triplett, Culpeper, Va., $81; No. 6, bay filly, by Sam Purdy, to J. W. Paine, Culpeper, Va., $110; No. 8, Baby Ellision, by Ellision out of Carnation, to F. M. Smith, Culpeper, Va., $95; No. 9, bay filly, by Sam Purdy, to S. Russell Smith, Culpeper, Va., $55; No. 10, bay filly, by Sam Purdy, to Norman Ashby, Culpeper, Va., $143; No. 12, Nell Purdy, by Sam Purdy, nine years old, to William Robertson, Culpeper, Va., $200; No. 17, Josie Brown, by Sam Purdy, nine years old, to W. A. Bennett, Culpeper, Va., $185; Steadman, gray gelding, by a son of King Rene, to W. A. Thomas, Culpeper, Va., $145. Since the sale three horses have been sold at private sale.

Chesterfield Items.

CHESTERFIELD C. H., VA., Nov. 23.—Special.—Colonel Thomas Whitehead and his wife, Mrs. H. M. Whitehead, delivered a temperance lecture to a very large audience last night at Bowling Hall.

The Circuit Court is in session now. All the important cases have gone over until the next term.

Mrs. John L. Ellerson is very ill with the fever at her home near here.

Excavations in the pyramid field of Egypt show that the game of chess was known to the Egyptians 3,200 years B. C.

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Brief Protest of Active Minds Against Being Overworked.

We were in an elevated train, and having nothing better to do, were watching a well-known financier of this city, who sat in an opposite seat paring his finger nails, says the New York Herald.

He was a man whose name is a household word all over the country for his great wealth and the daring speculations by which he has won it.

He appeared to be uneasy, and crossed and recrossed his legs constantly.

Suddenly he sat perfectly still, knife in hand, while his eyes, fixed on nothing in particular took on a far-away look, and the lids contracted slightly.

His whole appearance betokened a man who was thinking so intently on some subject that he was entirely oblivious to his surroundings for the moment.

"I wonder what big scheme he's concocting now?" I whispered to my companion.

"None at all, I'll bet you," was the answer from my friend, a shrewd young doctor.

"I have noticed," he continued, "that men of active faculties often lapse into such spells, and persons who see them generally suppose they are the outward marks of intense mental application; but my experience convinces me that they are, on the contrary, brief periods during which the mind is really thinking of nothing at all.

"I call them 'mind naps,' and I believe them to be as highly beneficial to the mind as sleep is to the body. They are a sort of protest and protection of nature against the excessive strain put upon the mental faculties by too energetic thinkers.

"If you ask a man at such times what he is thinking about so intently, he will generally give you an evasive reply, because he would rather have you suppose he was concocting some deep scheme than not; but the fact is that his mind has really been asleep, and when he is actually thinking hard you will generally find his eyes roving from one object to another and his whole body in a state of fidgets."

THE HEIDELBERG TUN OUTDONE.

A Cask Made at Munich Which Knocks It Out of Sight.

That monster wine vat, the famous "tun of Heidelberg," which we have been taught from childhood to consider the most gigantic receptacle for liquid ever made of wood and bound with iron hoops, has at last, says the St. Louis Republic, been excelled in the shape of a giant cask built for the Blatner Brewing Company, of Munich. The old Heidelberg tun was built during the three years ending with 1591. It was composed of oak beams each six inches square, and twenty-seven feet long, and had a diameter of even eighteen feet. The figures for the exact weight are wanting, but the item which tells us that the iron of the hoops alone weighed 11,000 pounds, is quite suggestive of the great weight of the vat. Nearly 200 years after the first tun was built a second, of much greater proportions, was constructed. Heidelberg tun No. 2 was thirty-six feet long and twenty-four feet in diameter, and had a capacity of 800 hogsheads. In 1826 Stretton & Co., the London brewers, constructed a beer vat at their works in Nuremberg which was ninety-six feet in diameter and thirty-four feet deep. The day this stupendous affair was finished the brewing company gave a dinner to 796 customers, all of whom were comfortably seated in the vat.

The Blatner cask, but recently finished, is 165 feet in diameter and fifty-one feet deep. It was inaugurated with a ball, in which 275 couples took part, and at one time, it is said, there were 500 people on the floor of the cask, not counting the waiters, musicians, etc. Besides the above no inconsiderable floor space was taken up by the stage erected for the orchestra, the two pianos and fine dining table.

JOHN BROWN'S RELIC

A Maine Man Owns the Shackles That Bound the Man.

James N. Atwood, of Livermore Falls, Me., has in his possession the shackles worn by John Brown when he was captured. Soon after the execution of John Brown, in 1859, Rev. Hezekiah Atwood, originally of Livermore, Me., was in Charleston, Va., and while there visited the jail where Brown was incarcerated awaiting execution. He was shown the leg-irons which were placed upon Brown at the time of his capture, and worn constantly by him until his execution. He tried to purchase the shackles, but was told it would be impossible.

Asking the old negress what would happen if the irons should disappear and another pair be substituted, she replied that "the number would be good," evidently with no idea of their historical value. Mr. Atwood, after much difficulty, procured another pair at an expense of $8, and was soon in possession of the coveted shackles. At one time during the lifetime of Mr. Atwood they were used in lectures by Henry Ward Beecher. Upon the death of Mr. Atwood and his son, Hezekiah, Jr., the latter's widow gave the irons to James N., his brother, who now owns them and prizes them highly. The handcuffs worn by Brown are in the possession of Captain Comfort, of Pennsylvania, who has refused $2,000 for them.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Girdling the Holy Land With Rails.

There is now a great railway system in the course of construction which will girdle the Holy Land from one end to the other. A French company has secured a concession for a line from Beyrouth to Damascus and has already commenced work on a narrow-gauge road. An English syndicate is now building a railway from Haifa to Damascus, which will be about 140 miles long, starting from Haifa, finding its way along the northern base of the range of Carmel to the plain of Eshraelon, through the valley east of Nazareth. Leaving Mount Tabor, it will cross the River Jordan on a trestle and then to the point known as Majemeh, where the Little Jordan joins the great rivers. At this point the road will border on the southern shore of Galilee, and almost without a curve along the famous wheat region, biblically known as the plains of Bashan, thence to the southern gate of Damascus.—St. Louis Republic.

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