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LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY NORTH CAROLINA DAILY.

## ILLINOIS GOLD BUGS

### THE ENEMIES OF FREE SILVER MEET IN CHICAGO AND ORGANIZE.

### THE "HONEST MONEY LEAGUE."

The Organization Declares Itself Unalterably Opposed to the Unlimited Coinage of Silver--Only Democrats May Become Members--Auxiliary Leagues to be Established in Every County in the State--President Cleveland's Name Applauded.

CHICAGO, April 20.—The "Honest Money League of Illinois" was formed at a meeting of citizens at the Palmer House, this afternoon, in accordance with a resolution that such a meeting be held, adopted by a half dozen enemies of free silver at the Great Northern Hotel recently.

The promoters of the new organization are W. T. Baker, Adlai T. Ewing, A. F. Seeberger, J. W. Richards, and John Mayo Palmer. Henry S. Robbins was elected president, and the platform of the organization declared to be "unalterably opposed to the unlimited coinage of silver, without international cooperation at the rate of 16 to 1.

The officers are: Jacob W. Richards, Secretary; A. F. Seeberger, Treasurer; and the following vice presidents: Ex-Judge Thos. A. Moran, F. W. Walker, Clayton E. Crafts, Arthur Weigel, S. M. Phelps, W. T. Baker, Frank Wenter, Rivers McNeil, R. J. Smith, Peter Klombas, Francis B. Peabody, Adolph Brand, R. A. Walker and Marshall M. Kirkman. These men, for the most part, are prominent in local business and political circles.

Among those present were Postmaster Washington Hensing and ex-Corporation Counsel Adolph Kraus. There were about 150 at the meeting which was called to order by Henry S. Robbins. He explained the object of the meeting, taking much care to emphasize the fact that this was a Democratic movement, pure and simple. He said the purpose of the promoters of the league was to resist the prevailing idea, which he admitted was rapidly spreading, that free silver is a good thing for this country. Then Adlai T. Ewing, as chairman of the parent meeting, read the proposed platform which was unanimously adopted as the constitution.

Only Democrats can become members and all must subscribe to the declaration already given against free silver. It is provided that auxiliary leagues be formed in every county of the State.

In accepting the presidency Mr. Robbins said: "I accept this office, realizing that there are many personal sacrifices, but one would not deserve the name of Democrat or American citizen did he not stand firmly for a sound currency, and fight this silver monometallism idea which is thinly disguised under the name of bi-metalism. This organization as long as I am a member of it, will take no part in any party factional fight. It will stand for a principle, not a faction. While we favor no man, we will welcome to our ranks such men as J. P. Hopkins, Altgeld and Grover Cleveland. We purpose to establish in every county in this State an auxiliary league, through which the work of education can be carried forward."

The name of Mr. Cleveland was applauded. Headquarters will be at the Palmer House.

## MURDER WILL OUT.

### The Slayer of Sam Tatum at Greensboro at Last Discovered.

Special to the News and Observer.

GREENSBORO, N. C., April 20. A sensation was sprung yesterday when it was learned that the police had at last discovered a clue which it is thought will lead to the discovery of the murderer of Sam Tatum, the crippled white man who was stabbed to death some time since. Suspicion now points to a woman of bad character, at whose house, it was said, Tatum received his fatal wound. After the deed was done it seems the body of the man was carried to his room, and it is only just discovered that he was not killed at his room.

A most delightful reception was tendered Dr. J. Henry Smith, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church last night by the Christian Endeavor Society. The affair was a celebration of the thirty-sixth anniversary of Dr. Smith's coming to Greensboro as pastor. The occasion was one of the most enjoyable ever held.

## THE CONFEDERATE MONUMENT.

### Reidsville Veterans Organizing to Come to the Unveiling.

Special to the News and Observer.

REIDSVILLE, N. C., April 20. The Confederate veterans' meeting called for this afternoon was very largely attended, and much interest was manifested. The necessary steps were taken to complete the organization. They expect to carry over one hundred to Raleigh to the unveiling exercises on May 20. They meet again two weeks hence.

## Oak Ridge the Winner.

Special to the News and Observer.  
SUMMERFIELD, N. C., April 20. Guilford College met her Waterloo here this evening being defeated by the Oak Ridge Institute baseball team by a score of 19 to 4.

## THE ROANOKE AND SOUTHERN.

### There Will Probably be an Early Reorganization of the Road.

Special to News and Observer.

WINSTON, N. C., April 20. It now seems probable that there will be a reorganization of the Roanoke and Southern Railroad Company. The Norfolk and Western having defaulted on the interest, the bondholders are taking steps to protect their holdings. Three-fourths of the bonds have already been deposited with the Mercantile Trust Company, of Baltimore, and that institution advertises that no bonds will be received after May 1st, except upon such terms as the Trust Company may decide. It is believed that the reorganization will take the road out of the hands of the N. & W. receivers.

Mr. L. H. Smith, of Hall's Ferry, Davie county, has a gourd that has been in constant use for ninety-four years. It was grown in Maryland between the Chesapeake bay and the Potomac river. He has also a brass clock which belonged to a man who served in the Revolutionary war, and which is still running, and keeps good time.

William Gadbury, colored, who shot and killed Tessie Carter, colored, in Yadkin county, on March 13th, was arrested Monday in Grayson county, Va., and carried to Yadkin county jail.

Captain Francis Miller, and son, of Mt. Airy, left this week for Germany. Capt. Miller left that country and came to America in 1839. He has been living in Surry county since the war.

The Confederate veterans of Forsyth will celebrate here on Memorial Day, May 10th. The ladies of Winston and Salem have been requested to furnish a lunch for the ex-Confederates at the armory of the Forsyth Riflemen.

The Forsyth Riflemen will continue their organization. Captain Bessent says that the company was never in a more prosperous condition. Several new members were added to the organization this week. The company has money in its treasury and does not have to depend upon the State's small appropriation for its existence.

Invitations are being issued for the seventy-sixth anniversary of the I. O. O. F., to be celebrated in Odd Fellows hall, Winston, and Salem lodges. The oration will be delivered by Maj. J. H. Foote, of Roaring River, N. C.

A serious difficulty occurred this week between Jas. E. and Walter Smith, cousins, who live near Danbury, Stokes county. The latter met up with the former and proceeded to empty his double-barreled shot gun into him. He succeeded in lodging about one hundred shot in his body and then skipped. James Smith is serious, but not fatally injured. The old Salem band has been engaged to furnish music at the Guilford Battle Ground celebration, July 4th.

The new Lutheran church here has been completed. It is a beautiful structure and cost some \$5,000. The windows are especially attractive. All of them were donated by members and friends as memorial windows.

The pastor of the colored Baptist church here says that since February 27th some five hundred or more colored people in Winston-Salem have made a profession of religion. Revivals have been in progress at nearly all of the colored churches.

A committee is making a canvass of the Twin City looking to the organization of a \$25,000 stock company to build a large flouring mill in Winston. The enterprise is about assured. The Wachovia Milling Company is to be its name. Rev. Sam Jones will be invited to hold a meeting in Winston.

## TARBORO'S NEW BANK.

### The Stockholders Meet and Elect a Board of Directors.

Special to the News and Observer.

TARBORO, N. C., April 20. The stockholders of the bank of Tarboro met here to-day and permanently organized under a charter granted by the last Legislature with a capital stock of thirty thousand dollars. The charter permits increase to two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

The following were selected as board of directors: T. H. Catlin, John F. Shackelford, W. E. Fountain, R. J. Kerch, Reuben Foster, of Baltimore, Dr. R. Y. Speight, John A. Davis, W. Newton Smith and E. D. Pennington.

The bank will commence business as soon as the outfit is received. The officers will be elected at the first meeting of the directors.

## WRECK ON THE SEABOARD.

### A Brakeman Instantly Killed and Nine Cars Badly Wrecked.

NORFOLK, Va., April 20.—The south-bound local freight on the Seaboard road was wrecked this morning near Stover Station, about two miles from Suffolk, and Walker, a colored brakeman, instantly killed.

The engine jumped the track at a switch and it, together with nine cars, were badly wrecked. The engineer and fireman jumped without injury. The brakeman attempted to jump but fell, his head being crushed against a cross tie. His body was taken to Portsmouth. A force is engaged in clearing away the wreck.

## A Painter Dashed to Death.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., April 20.—Tom Vaughn and Lou Sexton, painters, fell fifty feet to the ground to-day by the breaking of a "swinging scaffold" hoisted opposite the third story of the Citizen's Bank. Vaughn's skull was crushed and both arms were broken. He died later. Sexton had one arm broken and hip injured. He may recover.

## MORTON TALKS MONEY

### THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE DECLARES HIS OPPOSITION TO SILVER.

### WANTS A SINGLE GOLD STANDARD.

The Time for Straddlers he Thinks Has Passed--The United States Must Sooner or Later Recognize Gold as the Best Measure of Value and Medium of Exchange--He Has No Faith in an International Monetary Conference--Defines Sound Money.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Secretary Morton gave out this afternoon an interview on the silver question. Coming from a Cabinet Minister, after the Cabinet Council of yesterday, it is regarded as expressing to a great extent the sentiments entertained by the President. When asked if he thought anything would grow out of the proposed international monetary conference, Mr. Morton replied:

"I do not believe that an international Congress can establish permanently a commercial ratio between gold and silver, any more than it can establish a permanent commercial ratio between wheat and wheat. But if an international conference can fix the price in gold, or silver, it can also fix the price of wheat or of any other commodity, and thereby avoid all the possible shrinkages in values which tend to cause panics."

"Has gold, used as money, an intrinsic value, and is it a permanent value?"

"I think the word intrinsic ought not to be used. The value of gold is always relative. To illustrate: If I sell you a thousand bushels of wheat to-day for \$570, the transaction has established, for the time being, the wheat value of gold and the gold value of wheat. Tomorrow's cables tell of the utter failure of the wheat crop in Argentina, Russia, and Europe, entirely change the relation of gold to wheat and the thousand bushels of wheat purchased at fifty-seven cents yesterday, is worth \$1.14 a bushel today. But in the meantime there has been no change in the 'intrinsic' value of gold, notwithstanding there has been a change in the relationship of wheat to gold."

"What," asked the reporter, "should be the policy, then, of this country, if nothing is to be gained by a further discussion of this question, through the agency of an international conference?"

"My own judgment is," said the Secretary, "that we must sooner or later declare that the United States recognizes gold as the best and least fluctuating measure of value, and medium of exchange which the commerce of civilization has thus far utilized."

"Would not such a declaration made by either of the great parties drive away the silver men now in those parties?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Morton, "it is barely possible that the financial fallacies of the Populists and other vagabonds may temporarily secure a majority of the voters of the United States. Should such a catastrophe overtake the country, the people must learn by experience what they should have learned by diligent study and reason."

It was suggested to the Secretary that the effort might again be made as it had been made in the past, to take a middle ground on the money question, so as to offend as little as possible, and keep the great mass of voters in line as much as possible. Mr. Morton denounced this as an unwise policy.

"The time for straddlers has passed," he replied. "Those who are for sound currency on a gold basis ought to have the courage to say so and abide by the results of their declaration. It makes no difference to me whether a declaration of truth, either upon the tariff or the money question, temporarily drives votes from or allures them to us."

When asked about the approaching Illinois convention and what he thought of the proposed work of that body, Mr. Morton replied in general terms of follows:

"I have no hesitation in declaring myself utterly opposed to all the free coinage fallacies, all the 16 to 1 lunacies, and all of the cheap money illusions and delusions which Populists and other vagabonds advocate."

Mr. Morton further said in general:

"My judgment," said he, "is that silver cannot be restored to its former monetary place in the commerce of the world, because the supply of silver has outgrown the demand for silver in the exchanges of civilization. The relation of supply to demand is the sole regulator of value."

This axiom applies alike to salt, silver, sugar, and soap. All the legislation of all the law making bodies on the face of the globe can neither mitigate nor annul the operation of the inexorable law that "the relation of supply to demand is the sole regulator of value."

Secretary Morton answers the question recently put by Senator Stewart and others as to what sound money is. "The President's critics," said the Secretary, "ask what is sound money? Any ordinary man of business can answer that question. Sound money is that sort of currency which has the most universal and least fluctuating purchasing power in the markets of all countries. The money is the 'soundest' for which, throughout the commerce of the civilized world, there is a universal demand. And that universal demand is based upon the universal and fluctuating purchasing power of that money. The present epidemic of the silver fever will in due time abate. As the temperature of the 16 to 1 patients decline mental aberrations will disappear and reason once more resume its sway."

## NEXT NATIONAL CONVENTION.

### Both the Gold Men and the Silver Men Claim a Majority.

Special to the News and Observer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.

The next National Democratic Convention will contain 914 delegates, allowing Utah six delegates, 609 will be necessary to secure the two thirds required to control it, the Democratic Convention clinging to the old and bad plan of requiring a two thirds vote to nominate. Heretofore the great question at National Conventions has been "who shall be nominated?" Next time the man will be little talked about, and the question will be "What shall we put in the platform?"

The gold men and the silver men are already beginning to forecast the composition of the next Convention, and each faction of the party claims that it will be able to control the Convention. The gold men claim that New England and the Middle States will be solid for the President's financial position, that Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota will also be undivided; that Indiana, Michigan, California, Iowa, Washington and Oregon will be about evenly divided; and that they will carry one-third of the delegates from the South. This would give them a clear majority and they could write the platform.

On the other hand the silver men make the claim that they will carry the following vote, thus having more than two thirds of the convention:

Alabama	22	Nebraska	16
Arkansas	16	Nevada	6
California	18	North Carolina	23
Colorado	8	North Dakota	6
Florida	8	Ohio	46
Georgia	26	Oregon	6
Idaho	6	South Carolina	18
Illinois	48	South Dakota	8
Indiana	30	Tennessee	24
Iowa	26	Texas	30
Kansas	20	Utah	6
Kentucky	26	Virginia	24
Louisiana	16	Washington	8
Maryland	16	West Virginia	12
Michigan	28	Wyoming	6
Mississippi	16	Four territories	8
Missouri	34		
Montana	6	Total	618

This claim is manifestly extravagant. It is not in any event probable that Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Iowa, Maryland, Michigan, or West Virginia, will send solid delegations for silver, nor is it probable that the delegations from the Southern States that can in large cities will be solid for silver. It is too soon to make reliable figures.

## MAYOR GENTRY IN JAIL.

### Walnut Cove's Chief Executive Arrested for Murder.

Special to the News and Observer.

WINSTON, N. C., April 20.

Walnut Cove has a big sensation. Last Monday, Mayor Gentry, who is also ex-sheriff of Stokes and one of the county's best citizens, assisted a police officer in the arrest of a drunken negro. The latter was carried to the lock-up but refused to go in until after he was given one or more blows on the head by Mayor Gentry. Next day the negro died.

A coroner's inquest and trial was held yesterday and to-day. This afternoon the jury returned a verdict that the negro came to his death from the blows inflicted on his head by the mayor.

A warrant was at once issued for the arrest of Mayor Gentry and he was tonight carried to jail. His trial will probably come up in Stokes court which opens Monday.

Last fall a newspaper man named George F. Shaffer, from New York State, came to Kernersville and purchased the News, a weekly paper, which he has since been publishing. Thursday night he moved his property to an unoccupied house on the outskirts of the town. Since that time he has been missing. He leaves a number of creditors behind. His whereabouts are unknown.

Col. F. H. Fries, President of the Wachovia Loan and Trust Company went to Hillsboro this morning on business of importance connected with the Trust Company.

## THE COOK-MEARES CONTEST.

### The Court Decides That Cook is Not Entitled to the Office.

WILMINGTON, N. C., April 20.—The case of Charles A. Cook vs. O. P. Meares came up before Judge Hoke, in the Superior court to-day in the form of quo warranto proceeding.

Cook was elected Judge of the Eastern Criminal Circuit by the Legislature, but it was admitted by the plaintiff that he was elected two days before the bill creating the office was ratified. Immediately on adjournment of the Legislature, Gov. Carr, claiming that there was a vacancy, appointed and commissioned O. P. Meares, Judge, under authority vested in him by the Constitution.

The case was argued by Hon. D. L. Russell and L. C. Edwards for Cook and George Rountree for Meares. The decision of the court is that the relator, Chas. A. Cook, is not entitled to the office, and that O. P. Meares is the duly commissioned and qualified judge.

The case will go to the Supreme Court on appeal.

DONALDSONVILLE, Ga., April 20.—The negro Dave Wood, who shot James Bead, a respectable farmer near Colquitt yesterday, was lynched this morning. No reason is known for the shooting.

## JAPAN WANTS HAWAII

### VICTORIOUS JAPANESE MAY EXTEND THEIR CONQUESTS TO HAWAII.

### MINISTER THURSTON ARRIVES.

Mr. Thurston Says That No Change Whatever Had Taken Place in His Official Relations With Secretary Gresham and That He Had Come on Private Business--The United States and England to be Appealed to to Prevent Japanese Aggression.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—Honolulu, April 13, correspondence of the United Press steamer Australia.

Minister L. A. Thurston arrived this morning in company with Finance Minister Damon. Being interviewed on coming out of the cabinet meeting, Mr. Thurston said that no change whatever had taken place in his official relations with Secretary Gresham, and that he knew of no foundation for newspaper statements on that subject. Foreign Minister Hatch confirmed that statement, adding that this government had received no intimation about it from Minister Willis.

On being reminded that much had been said about his personal relations with Mr. Gresham not being cordial, Mr. Thurston said he had always declined to discuss that subject. Mr. Thurston said that he had come home partly upon private business which required attention, and partly to renew personal intercourse with his government.

Col. V. V. Ashford has been pardoned out of prison on condition that he leave the islands not to return. He intended to sail to-day for Germany per steamer Australia, but had to be taken to the Queen's Hospital. His condition is somewhat critical. While in prison, he was well cared for in comfortable quarters. He was serving a sentence of one year's imprisonment for misprision of treason.

It is positively learned here that public sentiment in Japan is strongly turned in the direction of taking possession of Hawaii. While the native Hawaiians still constitute the largest nationality, 34,000 to the Japanese 25,000, the latter having the largest number of male adults, being 20,000, to the natives 16,000, there can be no doubt that as mail Japanese squadron with 1,000 troops, co-operating with the resident Japanese, could easily overcome any resistance possible for all the rest of the population of Hawaii to make. The safety of this government against an early conquest by Japan must be in the protection of the United States. Failing in that, appeal must be made to British protection.

The feeling of this government is becoming clear, that they may at an early day find themselves under the necessity of surrendering these islands to England in order to escape from the Japanese aggression, unless the United States adopt a definite and decided policy of protection. For a week past the papers which support the government have been clamorously attacking Chief Tax Collector Shaw for his alleged offense of taking work from white printers and giving it to Chinese. This grows out of the appearance of the delinquent tax list as a supplement to the Chinese News.

Shaw, on his part states that he gave no work to the Chinese but did protect the government from an attempt at extortion by three dailies, the Advertiser, Star and Bulletin.

These papers made separate tenders for printing at nearly the same rates. Shaw regarded this as a combination which he determined to frustrate and had the list printed for just one-tenth of what the dailies had asked.

## PRESIDENT MCCONNELL.

### the Iroquois Club Unwilling to Accept His Resignation.

CHICAGO, April 20.—A morning paper says: The executive committee of the Iroquois Club held a secret session last night over President McConnell's resignation. The session lasted from 8 o'clock until nearly midnight. The result is embodied in the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That action upon the resignation of Samuel P. McConnell, president, be deferred until 1:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon. That the chairman of this meeting appoint a committee of two to wait upon Judge McConnell and ascertain if he desires to insist upon said resignation being accepted.

Vice-presidents William Avenant and Edgar Tolman were appointed on the committee and will wait on Judge McConnell to learn whether he will withdraw his resignation.

Nothing beyond the facts stated was given out, but it is understood that the committee are unwilling to accept Judge McConnell's resignation. It was stated that the call for a "sound money" meeting of the club following so closely upon President McConnell's free silver utterances was an unfortunate coincidence and was not intended to reflect upon the president.

The committee of organization for the "sound money league" consisting of Wm. T. Baker, Adlai T. Ewing, A. F. Seeberger, Jacob W. Richards and John M. Palmer, will meet at the Palmer House this afternoon to complete their report which will be submitted at the "sound money" mass meeting to be held at the same place this afternoon.

## BASEBALL TESTERDAY.

### Baltimore Pays Philadelphia Back With Big Interest.

BALTIMORE, April 20.—The champions took revenge on the Phillies to-day. Philadelphia scored its only four runs in the fifth and sixth innings, earning three of them. There was a superabundance of errors on both sides, but they did not materially affect the score. The batting of Baltimore was terrific, knocking McGill out of the box in three innings, and Casey who succeeded him fared little better. Attendance 11,000. Score: Baltimore, 24200600x—28 Philadelphia, 000013000—4 Batteries: Gleason, Robinson and Clark; McGill, Carsey, Clements and Grady.

NEW YORK, April 20.—Stafford won the game for the New Yorks at the Polo-grounds to-day by making a two bagger in the fifth inning with the bases full. In addition to this he played a magnificent game in the field, assisting in two double plays. Fully fifteen thousand people saw the game, which was most exciting. Davis undertook to dispute one of Empire Lynch's decisions and was fined \$125 in the aggregate.

President Freedman has wired Nick Young to send Lynch somewhere else. Meekin pitched a steady game and was well supported. Stein was hit freely, fine fielding alone keeping the score down. The weather was clear and warm. Score:

New York, 00205300x—19 Brooklyn, 012200010—6 Batteries: Meekin and Farrell; Stein and Daily.

CINCINNATI, April 20.—The Cincinnati team landed on young Wallace to-day until his teeth chattered, while Phillips was an enigma until the eighth, when he let up on Cleveland and scored five runs. Hoy made a wonderful one-handed catch in the fourth with two men on bases that caught the crowd. In the next inning Hoy also made a circus catch of a long fly ball. Both Young and Cuddy are sick, and Manager Tebeau has only Mike Sullivan and Wallace to do his twirling for him. Six thousand people saw the game. The feature of the game outside of Hoy's fielding was the batting of young Miller. The score: Cincinnati, 43112021x—14 Cleveland, 000020150—8 Batteries: Phillips and Spies; Wallace and Zimmer.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Nearly ten thousand people were at the game here to-day. The story of the defeat of the home club is told in a few words: Inability to hit Nichols until the seventh inning when he perceptibly let down and the ineffective pitching of Mercer, who was easy for the Boston. Nichols, for the home team, of whom much was expected, put up a miserable game at short, which was probably due to his nervousness. The local baseball enthusiasts had little cause for enthusiasm during the game. McGuire's home run in the seventh being the only good feature of the Washington's playing. Score: Washington, 00000220—4 Boston, 20024103x—12 Batteries: Mercer and McGuire; Nichols and Garzel.

St. Louis, April 20.—The Chicago defeated the Browns to-day in a game that almost equaled the opening one. Ehret started to pitch for the Browns, but was so wild that he was relieved by Staley in the sixth, who did but little better. Hutchinson for Chicago showed all his old time effectiveness, but his support was ragged and should have lost the game. Wilnot was injured in the 8th inning in sliding to second base and was replaced by Irwin. Attendance 5,000. St. Louis, 102200000—11 Chicago, 50113001x—15 Batteries: Ehret and Peitz; Hutchinson and Donoughe.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April.—Pittsburg was unmerciful to Louisville to-day and knocked out seventeen clean hits. It was a wild game on both sides as Pittsburg had nine errors while Louisville had three. McDonald was put in the box for Louisville but he was wild and after the first inning was supplanted by Wadsworth who proved an easy thing for the visitors. In the eighth King went into the box for Louisville, but he, too, was hammered pretty much as the Pittsburgs desired. Attendance about 700. Score: Louisville, 204100011—9 Pittsburg, 301040800—15 Batteries: McDermott, King, Welch and Cole; Colcolough, Killen and Sugden.

## In the South.

NORFOLK, Va., April 20.—The home team defeated Petersburg to-day by a score of 12 to 5. The weather was all that could be desired, and fully 1,000 people witnessed the game. Umpire Saunders, as usual, was very bad in his decisions. The feature of the game was a two-bagger by Hoffman when the bases were full, bringing three men home. Score: Norfolk, 120052020—12 Petersburg, 206102000—5 Batteries: Lawson and Carr; Harris, Dunkle and Haypen. Umpire Saunders.

RICHMOND, Va., April 20.—Richmond lost her first game this season to Petersburg here this afternoon. The contest was witnessed by over 5,000 people. Knox, Portsmouth's second baseman, lost his temper and struck McGowan, one of the Richmond players in the eyes for which he was fined \$5, and put out of the game. Score: Richmond, 010000202—5 Portsmouth, 10201121x—7 Batteries: Behne and Gibson; Leach, Vetter and Quinn.