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TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

The street car men of Tampa strike.

England will mobilize a fleet in home ports.

Bryan begins his Nebraska campaign.

The cabinet discusses the financial situation.

Decisions are filed in the state supreme court.

The Shamrock will sail for home next Tuesday.

There are nineteen cases of yellow fever at Miami.

Senator Mallory, of Florida, is ill in Washington City.

General Fitzhugh Lee arrived in New York on the 24th.

"Gentleman" Wolf of Der Harmlosen club, Berlin, is in jail.

The secretary of agriculture amends the cattle quarantine law.

There was a skirmish near Ladysmith on the 24th instant.

The Bingham school buildings at Asheville are damaged $3,000 by fire.

Canada proposes a plan of arbitration for settlement of the Alaska boundary.

The convention of commissioners of agriculture of the southern states meets in Atlanta.

Jim Jefferds, the new pugilist, is knocked out in the fifth round by Gus Ruhlin.

Jeffreys and Sharkey are both in good spirits and in good trim for the fight.

The president and cabinet are invited to Richmond to attend the launching of the Shubrick.

At Paris, Mo., a man is indicted for a murder commited twenty-eight years ago.

New Orleans reported two new cases of yellow fever. A case is reported at Baton Rouge.

The congregation of the Roman Catholic church of East St. Louis, wins in its fight for a pastor.

At Leesburg, Fla., a man is killed by an engine while trying to prevent a pet dog being run over.

A man arrested in Chicago charged with bigamy, confesses to having married forty-two women.

One hundred southern music teachers meet in Atlanta to form the Southern Music Teachers' Association.

Lieutenant Brumby reaches Atlanta and passes on to Marietta, to spend the night at his old home.

The torpedo boat Dahlgren on her trial trip proved to be the fastest torpedo boat of her size in the world.

The woman's christian temperance union denounces the Philippine war and demands the ballot for women.

General Yule has abandoned Ladysmith and Glencoe and attempted to make a junction with General White.

Russia agrees to arbitrate our claims for damage by reason of seizure of American sealing vessels in Behring sea.

Vessels flying the the Spanish flag, but belonging to Americans, will be allowed to do inter-island traffic in the Philippines.

Several assassinations occur in Kentucky of men of the warring factions. The judge was afraid to open Manchester court.

An Ohio man who stopped a runaway horse in Texas four years ago is bequeathed $80,000 by the man whose life he then saved.

The inter-state commerce commission hears argument in the cases by Wilmington against several railroads for discrimination in freight rates.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

Opinions Handed Down by the Justices in Following Cases.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., October 24.—The supreme court files the following opinions: Finlayson vs. Kirby, from Wayne, case continued with direction of the court that notice be issued to plaintiff's counsel informing them that unless all interested persons are made parties by the time the case is called at the next term, the defendant's motion to dismiss the plaintiff's appeal will be allowed; State vs. Fagg, from Wake, error; Vass vs. McDonald, from Wake, affirmed; State vs. Mallett & Mehegan, from Edgecombe, reversed; R. & A. L. R. R. Co. vs A. & W. E. R. R. Co., from Wake, affirmed; Collins vs. Collins, from Franklin, affirmed; Snydor Pump Company vs. Rocky Mount Ice Company, affirmed; Benton vs. Collins, from Franklin, affirmed.

RUSSIA AGREES TO ARBITRATE

Our Claims for Seizure of Sealing Vessels in Behring Sea.

London, October 24.—Russia, it has been learned by the Associated Press, has at last agreed to arbitrate with the United States the claims resulting from the seizure of sealers in the Behring sea, which have been pending for about eight years. A protocol between the two governments have been drawn up; the final formalities are expected to be concluded next month and the arbitration will probably take the form of the Venzuelan court.

Washington, October 24.—These claims originated in the seizure by the Russian authorities off the coast of Siberia, of three American sealing vessels, and the damages claimed aggregate about $150,000. The vessels were the James Hamilton Lewis, the Cape Horn Pigeon and the C. H. White. In each case the largest item of the claim is on account of the sufferings of the American officers and crew while under arrest. The cases differ from those claims presented by British sealers, which were settled by the Behring sea arbitration, in the fact that while the British vessels were seized by the American revenue cutters on what the arbitration declared to be the high seas, the Russian men-of-war seized these American sealers within seven miles of the Asiatic coast. It is a matter of interest that for the first time the Russian government contends that marine jurisdiction of a country extends at least this distance from the shore line, instead of being limited to a marine league, as laid down by the old writers on international law.

The protocol through which the arbitration was arranged was prepared in St. Petersburg by United States Minister Tower, and the Russian foreign office. It was agreed by the parties that there should be but one arbitrator, and the person selected for that post is Dr. Asser, a celebrated Dutch jurist, who took a prominent part in The Hague conference. The case will be submitted to him as soon as the papers can be prepared at the state department.

Guatamala Will Arbitrate the May Claim.

Washington, October 24.—The government of Guatamala has accepted the proposition of the United States government to adjust by arbitration on the claim of Mr. May, of Tennessee. The claim aggregated about $125,000, in which sum May claims he was damaged through the action of the Guatamalan government in wrongfully depriving him of a railroad concession.

The "Plow Boy Preacher," Rev. J. Kirkman, Belle Rive, Ill., says, "After suffering from bronchial or lung trouble for ten years, I was cured by One Minute Cough cure. It is all that is claimed for it and more." It cures coughs, colds, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT

IN WHICH NEITHER BRITISH NOR BOER IS VICTORIOUS.

STRATEGIC MOVE OR RETREAT.

General Yule Abandons Dundee to Join General White—Junction Not Yet Made—The Boer Armies Only Forty Miles Apart and Out-Number the British—Situation Considered Grave—England's Losses Notwithstanding Two Victories.

London, October 24.—The colonial office has received a cablegram stating that President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, has issued a proclamation annexing that part of Cape Colony which is north of Vaal river. This means Griqualand West and Buchuanaland and is apparently in consequence of the Free States forces having seized the railway and all stations north of Kimberley except Mafeking, unless Mafeking has fallen since the last news from there, which is a week old.

The colonial office this evening published a cable dispatch received from the British high commissioner in South Africa, Sir Alfred Milner, communicating a significant dispatch from Sir Godfrey Lagden, the British resident commissioner in Basutoland, calling attention to the recklessness of the Basutos, who, he says, he has been trying to calm. The resident commissioner adds:

"Our policy, however, has been made difficult by the blustering of the Boers who have freely threatened to attack Masuru and other stations. Those threats, combined with intriguing, have contributed to arouse excitement among the natives. I wish to place it on record that the Boers have unwisely attempted to shake the allegiance of the Basutos and frustrate our efforts toward tranquility. The Boers, therefore, are responsible for any commotion and for the alarm regarding native invasions which now prevails."

Cape Town, October 23.—(Afternoon.)—News has been received from Dundee to the effect that the Boer disaster at Elandslaagte staggered the Boers completely, rendering the attack upon Dundee feeble. Therefore there is no cause for anxiety.

GENERAL WOLSELEY'S SUMMARY

London, October 24.—The parliamentary secretary of the war office, George Wyndham, in the house of commons today, announced that Field Marshal Lord Wolseley, the commander-in-chief of the forces, sums the situation in Natal today as follows:

"General Yule has fallen back to effect a junction with Sir George Stewart White. He camped yesterday evening about sixteen miles south of Dundee, without seeing anything of the enemy during the march, and it has since been reported that 'All's well on the Waschbank river.'

"General White fought a successful action with an Orange Free State force today, on the road between Ladysmith and Newcastle, and should join hands with General Yule this evening. General Yule reports that his wounded are doing well.

"The Boer wounded on our hands are treated just as our own, and I have every reason to believe the Boers will treat any of our wounded in their hands in a similarly humane manner.

"I have also received from General Walker, at Cape Town, the following: 'The last message from Kimberley, October 22nd, 2 p. m., reports all well.'"

Cape Town, October 24.—A message received this evening from Mafeking, by way of Lorenzo Marques, says: "All well in Mafeking on October 20th."

ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT.

London, October 25.—The following dispatch from General Sir George Stewart White to the Marquis of Lansdowne, secretary of state for war, received last evening at 11 o'clock was posted at the war office soon after midnight:

"Ladysmith, October 24—9 p. m.—Information received yesterday showed that the Boers had established themselves in considerable numbers in an exceedingly strong position west of the main road leading from Ladysmith to Dundee. I also had information that the Dundee force, formerly commanded by General Symons, and since his wounding commanded by General Yule, was falling back on Ladysmith by way of the Helpmakaar road, Beith and the valleys of the Waschbank and Sunday rivers and was expected to reach Sunday river valley today. I, therefore, moved out with a strong force to cover the movement of Yule's column. The enemy was discovered about seven miles out of Ladysmith in a position of great natural strength west of the road. When he saw that preparations were being made against him he opened fire with one gun with great accuracy.

"Our military soon got into position and the gun was silenced. Our troops were ordered to occupy a strong ridge, parellel to the enemy's position, but nearer to the road.

"I confined my efforts to occupying him in hitting him hard enough to prevent his taking action against Yule's column. Numbers of the enemy fled to the west and the firing had practically ceased at 2 o'clock.

RETREAT OR STRATEGIC MOVE.

London, October 25.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphing at 9:45 p. m. yesterday says:

"General Yule has performed a brilliant strategical movement. By a swift march to the south, leaving Glencoe empty, he has effected a junction of his forces with those of Sir George Stewart White slightly to the north of Ladysmith. The two are now in a position to offer battle. I believe the first attack will be made on the large Free State force, which entered Natal by way of Tintwa pass, and which has since been harassing Ladysmith. The military authorities decide that by joining their forces the two generals would be better able to cope with one large force at a time than by having two small detachments to oppose simultaneously two big Boer forces.

"Accordingly, after defeating the Free State troops they will offer battle to Commandant General Joubert. Only forty miles now separate the two Boer forces. Hence the need for swift and telling action.

"The two sections of the Boer army together outnumber the entire British force by three to one. Hard fighting is certain at a very early date. Our men are confident and there is much enthusiasm.

"The fighting today outside Ladysmith was a mere brush. The losses on either side were insignificant. It was merely an artillery duel, in which the Boers came off decidely the worse."

The war office dispatch seems to realize the worst fears. General Yule has abandoned not only Dundee, but Glencoe also, and so far as present news would indicate, he has neither joined General White nor reached Ladysmith. General White's "successful action," announced in Parliament by Mr. Windham, seems to have resolved itself into a mere engaging of the attention of the Free State troops while General Yule is slipping southward.

It is evident from the official dispatches that both Commandant General Joubert's column on the north and the Orange Free State troops on the west now occupy strong positions and that nothing hinders the Boers from following up General Yule's retirement and getting around Ladysmith from the southeast. Until reinforcements arrive it seems that General White is obliged to concentrate on Ladysmith.

It is believed the government has other dispatches that have not yet been published. The secretary of state for war left Mr. Choate's residence immediately at the end of the banquet to General Harrison and proceeded to the war office, where, even after midnight, there was considerable activity, many visitors calling to inquire for information, among them a sister of General Sir Archibald Hunter.

Cape Town, October 24.—A private telegram from Delagoa Bay says a man just arrived there from Johannesburg asserts that the Transvaal government has appropriated 850 beds in private houses in Johannesburg for wounded troops from the front.

The Boer organs, according to this informant are doing everything to minimize the Boer losses and all sorts of mistatements and misrepresentations are employed.

ADVANCING ON KIMBERLEY.

London, October 25.—The Daily Telegraph has the following from De Aar, Cape Colony, dated Monday evening:

"The Transvaal government are about issuing a proclamation declaring the district north of the Vaal river, and including Bechuanaland to be Boer territory.

"Commandant Cronje, who has been twice repulsed at Mafeking is said to be advancing on Kimberley and to be impressing men and seizing stores and munitions in British territory. He left a small force investing Mafeking. The Free State Boers are moving westward in order to join him for an attack on Kimberley.

"The dispatch riders who are coming down to the Orange river from Kimberley are performing thrilling feats. They ride through the Boer lines under cover of darkness and get to the Orange river without taking any rest, save for a change of horses. The distance is sixty miles."

"The Boers are three miles from Kimberley, but are afraid to attack the place and are awaiting the arrival of Commandant Cronje. No Boers are to be seen south of Belmont, which is twenty miles north of the Orange river. The defeats in Natal are taking all the fight out of them, and they will not attack the British troops, though they may defend a few positions. Indeed, it is believed here that the heaviest fighting of the war is over except for a battle near Pretoria."

ENGLAND'S FRUITLESS VICTORIES.

London, October 25.—Although there is no reason to doubt the accuracy of the dispatch from Cape Town to The Daily Mail regarding General Yule's movement, it is curious that General White's telegram to the war office, which is also dated at 9 p. m., makes no mention of joining of forces. When the war office dispatch was issued just after midnight the officials announced that nothing would be communicated until Wednesday morning so that it is impossible to confirm or deny the news. General Yule had a heavy march Monday over the Stratford slopes and the Zurfontein table, both over 5,000 feet high, and arrived after dusk at Beith, which is half way between Rorkes drift and Waschbank. He had a still heavy march and was hardly expected to join General White at Ladysmith until today.

His movements were actuated by sound judgment, since he soon would have been surrounded and in a desperate position. The combined forces at Ladysmith, now amounting to some 12,000 men, will be amply sufficient to act on the defensive. A few more victories like Glencoe and Elandslaagte, however, would leave the British troops without officers.

While the Boers have failed to take advantage of their strategic position, owing to the incompetence or haste of their leaders, the British have no cause for congratulations over the results of the Natal operations. They have suffered heavy losses in men, and their victories have practically gone for nothing, the whole of northern Natal being now abandoned to the Boers.

It would have been better to have concentrated on Ladysmith in the first instance, but General White and General Symons had to yield to political exigencies and to the local reluctance to abandon an inch of territory more than was necessary. It is not expected that the wounded left at Dundee will suffer, except in being prisoners of war.

SOUTHERN MUSIC TEACHERS.

Meet in Atlanta to Form a Music Teachers' Association.

Atlanta, Ga., October 24.—One hundred southern music teachers representing Alabama, Tennessee, North and South Carolina and Georgia assembled in the auditorium of the Young Men's Christian Association here today to organize the Southern Music Teachers' Association and spend two days in discussing questions relative to the musical development of the south. President E. H. Thornton, of the Atlanta Concert Association, delivered an address of welcome to the visitors, which was responded to by Mr. Gilmore Ward Bryant, president of the North Carolina Music Teachers' Association.

After preliminary organization, a recital was given, participated in by Kurt Mueller, pianist of Tuskegee, Ala.; Miss Minnie Crudup Vesey, dramatic contralto, of Chicago, and Mr. Alexander Findlay Viola, of Durham, N. C.

At the afternoon session, Mrs. G. W. Stewart read a paper on "Woman's Clubs in Music."

During the continuance of the convention, a number of prominent musicians will appear.

Today's work closed with a recital by members of the convention.

THE CONGREGATION WINS

In the Fight in the East St. Louis Roman Catholic Church.

Rome, October 24.—The following is the full text of the official instructions from Cardinal Ledochowski to the bishop of Belleville, Ill., bearing on the recent controversy in the Catholic church of East St. Louis:

"Remove immediately the excommunication from the parish, as they do not deserve it. Get Father Cruse to resign and appoint a pastor of their own nationality over them."

Cardinal Ledochowski is cardinal prefect of the propaganda, to which belongs the final settlement of all ecclesiastical controversies of this nature. There is no appeal from his ruling. It follows on these instructions that the general practice of the church for the future in the United States will be that bishops must appoint pastors according to the nationality of congregations.

President King, Farmer's Bank, Brooklyn, Mich., has used DeWitt's Little Early Risers in his family for years. Says they are the best. These famous little pills cure constipation, biliousness and all liver and bowel troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

Jefferds Knocked Out by Ruhlin.

New York, October 24.—Jim Jefferds, the young California pugilist, made his debut at the Broadway Athletic Club tonight and was knocked out in the fifth round by Gus Ruhlin, the Akron (Ohio) giant. There was a lot of slugging in the first four rounds and if Jefferds had not mixed up things so freely he might have stalled Ruhlin's rushes. The latter simply battered him down after Jefferds had gained a very decided advantage. Ruhlin floored him three times in the fourth and put him out with a straight left early in the next round. Ruhlin was a big favorite in the betting, two one one being freely laid on him.

Eat plenty, Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will digest what you eat. It cures all forms of dyspepsia and stomach troubles. E. R. Gamble, Vernon, Tex. says, "It relieved me from the start and cured me. It is now my everlasting friend." R. R. Bellamy.

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY.

CANADA MAKES A PROPOSITION FOR ARBITRATION.

AN OLD PROPOSAL IN NEW FORM

Skaguay and Dyea as Belonging to the United States and Pyramid Harbor as Canadian Territory to be Excluded from the Arbitration—An Attempted Coup by Which She Expects to Entrap Our Government—The Venezuelan Arbitration as a Precedent.

London, October 24.—The Associated Press is enabled to give authoritatively Canada's final proposition for a permanent settlement of the Alaska dispute. It is very different from her former demands and was delivered to United States Ambassador Choate by the Canadian minister of marine and fisheries, Sir Louis Henry Davies, late tonight before the latter sailed, and dispatched today to Washington by the officials of the United States embassy. It is as follows:

"That the boundary line be arbitrated upon terms similar to those imposed by the United tates and Great Britain over Venezuela, particularly those provisions making fifty years occupancy by either side conclusive evidence of title, occupancy of less than that period to be taken as equity allows under international laws.

"That as a condition precedent to and absolutely preliminary to arbitration, Skaguay and Dyea would be conceded to the United States without further claim, if Canada received Pyramid habor.

"In other words, Canada gives up much of the disputed gold country in return for a seaport, but stipulates that she must get the latter before she agrees to arbitrate the boundary line."

The propositions of Sir Louise Henry Davies were made privately and were, apparently, the result of an unexpected communication from his government, for Sir Louis, the day previous, expressed no inkling that he was empowered to make such sweeping proposals. The Canadian statesman, heretofore, has insistently denied the United States' contention that Dyea and Skaguay must first be ceded to the United States before treating on the subject, and his sudden change of front and the concession of two such important points are apparently intended as a coup, and Mr. Choate was found, to a certain extent, unprepared. The only reply he could make was that he would inform the authorities at Washington and await their advices, as his instructions did not contemplate such a change of base by Canada.

The Associated Press is reliably informed that Canada's new position was greatly influenced by imperial pressure and it can be stated definitely that Mr. Chamberlain advised concession as much as possible in order to gain a port of entry free from the United States control, with the professed reason that commercial advantages would accrue therefrom. But it is said that the ultrior motive is to increase British naval strength by making Pyramid harbor a strong naval base.

Regarding the probable action of the United States in these altered conditions, British official opinion is that the United States, having been granted Dyea and Skaguay, cannot refuse to accept the identical form of arbitration they compelled England to take toward Venezuela. This course is contingent upon the United States deciding that the gold bearing country is more valuable than Pyramid harbor.

Washington, October 24.—It is said at the state department that the proposition as to a permanent Alaskan boundary laid down by Sir Louis Davies is nothing more or less than a summary of claims heretofore preferred. When the commission was in session last spring and the Canadian proposition was made to settle the boundary question by arbitration the American commissioners replied with an offer to accept arbitration, with the proviso that no point occupied by Americans for a specified term of years should be submitted to arbitration. In other words, the term was so fixed by no possibility could the title to Skaguay, Dyea, or any other place that the Americans had occupied for a period represented by the discovery of the Klondike field be called into question by the arbitration.

This was one of the final propositions rejected by the Canadian commissioners which caused the failure of the joint conference. Since that time there have been several suggestions in the nature of compromises and included among these was one like this embodied in Sir Louis Davies' propositions namely: "That the United States should confirm the Canadian title to Pyramid harbor in return for Canadian confirmation of the American title to Skaguay and Dyea.

It is not possible to accurately forecast the view that the state department will take of this last proposition, but it may be proper to recall the fact that in the opinion of the department, Canada has no more claim to Pyramid harbor than it has to Skaguay and Dyea and the British government has already been informed of that belief. Therefore, it seems probable that Sir Louis Davies' proposition will not materially advance a permanent settlement of the boundary question, and that the two countries will continue to act for some time to come under the terms of the modus vivendi recently arranged by Secretary Hay and Mr. Tower.

JEFFRIES AND SHARKEY.

Both in Good Trim for the Fight—At their Trining Quarters.

New York, October 24.—With Jeffries' successful manipulation of the gloves yesterday at Asbury Park, the pugilistic camp settled down today to an energetic beginning of the rigid schedule adopted for coming use. The air of depression which has hung over the champion's quarters since the accident to his arm has entirely disappeared and all hands are in a jolly mood. Jeffries took to the road at an early hour with Tommy Ryan, and after a fast run over the Long Branch road, played croquet with his trainers on the lawn. This afternoon the champion's high spirits ineffected the group and led to practical jokes. Meanwhile, Jeffries and Ryan prepared for the second afternoon bout which proved to be a wonderful exhibition of skill, although Ryan's offensive tactics brought him a blow in the jaw that caused the claret to flow. The boiler-maker is practicing a block for Sharkey's side jab and Ryan says the sailor will never be able to land it. The physicians services were dispensed with today.

Tom Sharkey was feeling particularly good today at his training quarters at New Dorp. He did plenty of work, particularly in punching the bag and on Armstrong and was as full of fight after he had finished the day's programme as he was when he began.

Sharkey's trainers say there is not the slightest danger that he will "lose edge" by reason of the delay in the battle. They have been bringing him on carefully and have taken extra precautions that he does not get too fine.

"If you scour the world you wil never find a remedy equal to One Minute Cough Cure," says Editor Fackler, of the Micanopy, Fla., "Hustler." It cured his family of LaGrippe and saves thousands from pneumonia, bronchitis, croup and all throat and lung troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

TO ASSAULT ILOILO.

GENERAL PULION BEGINS HIS PROMISED CAMPAIGN.

"UNROLLS THE BLOODY SCROLL"

Begins Nightly Firing Into American Outposts—Reinforcements Arriving from the North—Aguinaldo Conciliating the Visayans—Filipinos Reorganizing in the Malabou Section—Natives Desire American Garrisons—Insurgents Driven Out of Negros.

Manila, October 24.—Iloilo is stirred by the expectation of important fighting. General Pulion began "unrolling the bloody scroll" as he promised his followers in a recent speech, by firing volleys at the American outposts nightly. Since Sunday reinforcements have been arriving from the north.

This activity is designed to divert the Visayans from this dissatisfaction against the Tagalos. Aguinaldo has ordered the release on parole of Areneta and other Visayan leaders, who are disposed to negotiate for peace, and is watching them to prevent further negotiations.

The Fourth infantry reconnaisances about Imus found that the insurgents had returned to das Marinas. Their bugles blew when the Americans approached.

It is reported that they are reorganizing at Malabon and other towns. The leading inhabitants of that section have requested Major General Otis to garrison the towns, because the insurgents are living off the people. Sufficient troops are lacking for this.

General Otis has prohibited the local papers from printing the arrivals, departures or any movements of troops. Aguinaldo, if he is a student of the Manila papers, has been kept posted as to the whereabouts of every company in the army.

The news that the Spaniards' attempt to surrender the rebel artillery at Santa Rosa has reached Tarlac and has spread through the country. The Filipinos are taking vengeance on the prisoners by curtailing the few privileges they had.

Washington, October 24.—The war department has received the following cablegram:

"Manila, October 24, 1899.

"Adjutant General, Washington:

"Hughes reports Panay insurgents driven out of Negros. Byrne struck one band, killed ten and captured thirteen. Native troops struck another band, killing six. No casualties on our side.

"OTIS."

ANARCHY IN KENTUCKY.

Men Assassinated on Way to Court. Judge Afraid to Open Court.

London, Ky., October 24—Tom Whitamore and Dan Parmer were ambushed yesterday on Horse creek, en route to Clay county circuit court. The former was killed and the latter injured.

Bob Travis was killed at Hamlet.

A report states that a Philpot, en route to Manchester court, was ambushed and killed at Pigeon Roost today.

Trouble is reported on Sexton's creek, between the White and the Baker factions.

Circuit Judge Everson, fearing assassination, did not go to Manchester and the opening of court was delayed. Griffins and Philpots are present in large numbers, heavily armed. Manchester is crowded and the situation looks grave.

Meeting of Southern Railway Stockholders.

Richmond, Va., October 24.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Southern Railway Company was held at their general office here today. A large majority of the capital stock was represented. The old board of directors were re-elected without change. No other business was transacted.

"GIROFLE-GIROFLA" LAST NIGHT.

Second Performance by Olympia Opera Company Even Better than their Initial Engagement—"Paul Jones" Tonight—Deserve Crowded House.

"Girafle-Gerofla," that beautiful comic opera by Lecocq, was presented to a good sized audience at the opera house last evening by the Olympia Opera Company. The opera was well played in every particular, and the audience showed their high appreciation by frequent encores.

The second performance of the Olympia Opera Company was as good, or perhaps even better than the opening performance and they certainly deserve to play to a full house each evening during their engagement here.

The acting throughout was splendid and the costumes were very pleasing. Miss Fannie Meyers, who played the role of the twin daughters of Don Balero, as "Girafle and Girafla," was very good indeed. Messrs. Langlois and Hubbard were thoroughly entertaining in their respective roles. The whole troupe, in fact, merit the high praise accorded them by those who have attended their performances.

The tuneful opera, Jaul Jones, will be presented tonight. This is one of the troupe's strongest plays and a packed house should greet them. Popular prices, 50, 35 and 25 cents will prevail as usual. On Saturday, "Pinafore" will be presented at a special matinee. The price of admission on that occasion will be 25 cents to any part of the house.

When You Ride Your Wheel

Always shake into your shoes Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It keeps your feet cool, prevents sweating feet, and makes your endurance tenfold greater. Over a million wheel people are using Allen's Foot-Ease. They all praise it. It gives rest and comfort to smarting, hot, swollen, aching, feet and is a certain cure for ingrowing nails. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Sample free by mail. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The Y. M. C. A. Ladies' Auxiliary.

The ladies auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian Association met in their parlors yesterday morning. The committee on constitution and by-laws submitted their report and the same was adopted. The following ladies constituted the committee: Mrs. B. F. Hall, Mrs. R. W. Hicks and Mrs. A. H. Bremer.

The president appointed a nominating committee, consisting of Mrs. Roger Moore and Mrs. R. W. Hicks. The constitution provides for the appointment of vice presidents to be selected by the nominating committee from each evangelical church of the city The committee will select these vice presidents and find out how many of them will serve, and then report at the next meeting of the ladies auxiliary, which will be called by the president for some day next week.

The ladies auxiliary has made a very creditable and favorable beginning, everything is now thoroughly organized and the machinery is all running in perfect order. Special effort is being made to secure new members.

Joseph Stockford, Hodgdon, Me., healed a sore running for seventeen years and cured his piles of long standing by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cures all skin diseases. R. R. Bellamy.

HICKORY'S NEW INDUSTRIES.

Mr. James A. Martin of that Place Here Yesterday and Last Night. Talks Interestingly of His Town's Industrial Progress.

Mr. James A. Martin, a prominent wholesale hardware merchant of Hickory, N. C., spent yesterday and last night in the city. He is here on business with Messrs. J. W. Murchison & Co., who are agents in this section for the famous King Heater, Mr. Martin being proprietor of the patent and manufacturer. He is also president of the Latta-Martin Pump Company, of Hickory, manufacturers of an improved well pumps.

In speaking of Hickory and her industrial development Mr. Martin told a Messenger representative last night that three new cotton mills are assured and the organization of a fourth company is now on foot with every prospect of materialization. Among those interested in the proposed company are the Dukes of Durham, and other well known capitalists. They were in Hickory only a few days ago for the purpose of selecting a site and making preliminary arrangements for the establishment of the factory. Catawba river water power is to be used if the project materializes.

It is of interest also to note that the Hickory telephone exchange, of which Mr. Martin is, by the way, proprietor, was connected a few days ago with Charlotte, giving Hickory long distance telephonic connection with sixty or more other points throughout the country. Mr. Martin's Hickory telephone exchange also has long distance lines running out in every direction 30, 40, 60 and more miles, putting the people of Hickory in direct communication with all neighboring towns.

Mr. Martin came here yesterday from Wilson where he left Mrs. Martin and daughter, the guests of her mother, Mrs. Blount. He will leave this morning for Hickory, going via Fayetteville.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

WANTED—1,000 HUSTLING AGENTS to handle our white and fancy rubber collars, suffs, bosoms, patented rubber neckties. They are in great demand; agents are reaping harvests all goods guaranteed; big commission; exclusive territory. M. and M. Mfg. Co., Springfield, Mass. oct 25 1t

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