

WORK IN THE SENATE.

MORE VACANT SEATS THAN AT ANY TIME DURING THE SESSION.

The Committees Are Arranging for Active Labors—Proceedings in the House of Delegates Yesterday.

At noon yesterday the Senate met with a larger number of vacant seats than have been apparent since the beginning of the session.

Senator Stubbs, from the Committee on General Laws, reported without amendment the bill changing the name of the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company.

Senator Green: To incorporate the Consolidated Coal and Iron Company. By Senator Walton: To amend the Code of Virginia.

Speaker Caldwell has been hard at work since Wednesday, to make up the list of the twenty-six standing committees of the House, which is now almost completed.

Mr. John U. Sumpter, member of the House from Montgomery county, is very sick at the Exchange Hotel.

AN INVESTIGATION.

A Talk With Some of the Legislative Members on the Subject. Any man who ever enters the political arena may just as well make up his mind on the start that some day or other he shall meet defeat.

There is a disposition to follow the demands made by the Times for an investigation into the circumstances of the election of some of the members, and such a resolution was prepared last night and it is understood will be introduced into the House this morning by Mr. Eugene Withers.

Senator James Hayes, who was the leader of the Martin forces in the recent contest, said: "We have no great objection to investigation whatever, and are ready and willing to assist in any such programme as may be adopted."

Representative Charles E. Nicol, who was primarily for General Hunton, and who has subsequently a devoted follower of General Lee, has already held a long investigation, as a Virginian I sincerely trust that nothing will be developed which will reflect upon the integrity of any of our public officials.

The history of our State conventions and senatorial elections does not present an exhibition of great success. When Senator Daniel won from Senator Barbour, the latter submitted with a grace which endeared him to both his supporters and his opponents.

The Supreme Court judges are now the subjects of a great deal of public interest, and after the wonderful trading in over, for the present, it is certain that the contest will be renewed. It was rumored to-day that the following committee had been named: absolutely, however, without the knowledge of the gentlemen themselves: Judges Graham, Horsley, Mann, Cardwell, and Keith.

By the same: To protect fish in the Manassas, Pamunkey, and York rivers by preventing fishing with certain netted devices.

BANKING ASSOCIATIONS.

A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR STATE BANKS OF CIRCULATION.

To Be Established in Cities, Towns, and Villages—To Issue Circulating Notes on a 75 Per Cent. of Their Deposits.

Among the bills introduced in the House, as reported in another column of The Times, was one by Mr. C. E. Nicol, providing for the establishment of State Banks of circulation.

That associations for carrying on the business of banking under this title, may be formed by any number of persons, not less in any case than five.

Every person becoming a shareholder in such transfer, shall, in proportion to his share, be liable for all the rights and liabilities of the shareholder of such shares; and no charge shall be made in the articles of association by which the rights, remedies, or security of the existing creditors of the association shall be impaired.

At least fifty per centum of the capital stock of every association shall be paid in before it shall be authorized to commence business, and the remainder of the capital stock of such association shall be paid in installments of at least ten per centum each, on the whole amount of the capital, as frequently as one at the time it shall be authorized by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to commence business, and the payment of each installment shall be certified to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under oath, by the president or cashier of the association, cancelled and deducted from the capital stock of the association.

The association may provide for an increase of its capital from time to time, as may be deemed expedient, subject to the approval of the Commonwealth.

Each director must be a citizen of Virginia, and own at least ten shares of stock. Section 11 gives the oath of office of directors, and directs that the stock of directors is not to be hypothecated, or in any way pledged for loan or debt.

The president shall be chosen by the directors from one of their number. The shareholders of every State banking association shall be held individually responsible, equally and ratably, for all the debts, contracts, debts, and engagements of such association to the extent of the amount of their stock therein, at the par value thereof in addition to the amount invested in such shares.

Every association, after having complied with the provisions of this act, shall be authorized to commence the banking business, and before it shall be authorized to commence banking business, the Treasurer of Virginia shall be authorized to issue circulating notes on the faith of such association, and shall be held liable as stockholders, but the estate shall be.

The deposit of bonds made by each association shall be increased as its capital stock may be reduced, and any association that may desire to increase its capital stock, or to close its business, may take up its bonds upon returning to the Secretary of the Commonwealth its circulating notes issued on the faith of such bonds.

Section 23 of the bill gives directions for making transfers of Virginia bonds. The bonds transferred to and deposited with the Treasurer of Virginia for the security of its circulating notes shall be held exclusively for that purpose, until held exclusively for that purpose, and cancelled and redeemed or taken in and destroyed in the presence of the Treasurer, or an Attorney-General of Virginia, not an Attorney-General of Virginia.

Whenever a certificate is transmitted to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of capital stock has been paid in, and that Virginia bonds, issued under the act approved, have been deposited to the amount of the capital stock, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall examine into the condition of such association, ascertain especially the amount of money paid in on account of the capital stock, and the residence of each of its directors, and the amount of capital stock of which each is owner in good faith, and generally, whether such association has complied with all the provisions of this act to entitle it to engage in the business of banking, and shall cause to be made and attested by the oaths of a majority of the directors and by the president or cashier of the association, a statement of all the facts necessary to enable the Secretary of the Commonwealth to determine whether the association is lawfully entitled to commence the business of banking.

Section 25 states when the banking association may begin business, and section 27 requires certificates of the association to be published for thirty days in a newspaper.

READ THIS COLUMN TO-DAY.

It will make your Xmas money go further, for it tells of Bargains—crowd-pleasing, mob-drawing Bargains—at

MEYER'S 6th & Broad.

APRON SALE. 1,000 Aprons, the entire made-up stock of the Standard Manufacturing Company, south Fifth avenue, New York. About 40 different styles—

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