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There are four street running east and west-first north of Tybee railroad, Plant, after the president of the company; Owens, after the traffic manager; Fleming, after the superintendent; Chisholm, after the vice president.

There are four streets running north and south. First west of Deptford plantation Jackson, after the master of transportation; McKee, after the comptroller general; Haines, after the general manager, and Aveilhe, after the assistant superintendent.

Then outside the plat proper the following run east and west: Lee, after the treasurer; Reed, after the roadmaster; Dowell, after the assistant treasurer; Pendgast, after Wharfinger LePage's clerk and Fulton, after the late assist master of transportation, who lost his life in the Hurricane trestle disaster.

In addition to the truck patches of the village proper, Mr. LePage has divided about twenty acres outlying into seven small truck farms, which he has rented to employes (sic) at about \$12 per year, in easy payments. Mr. LePage is very well satisfied with his experiment.

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GUARDS DRILL FOR PRIZES.

The School of the Soldier at the Arsenal last night.

A rifle drill in the school of the soldier took place at the Savannah Volunteer Guards' Arsenal last night. Each company was allowed to enter ten men, making a squad of thirty. The first section of the drill was in the school of the soldier, without arms, embracing the position of the soldier, eyes right and left, footings, double step, parade rest, balance step, etc., concluding with inspection of arms. The first prize (\$20) was won by Sergt. J. F. Cann of company C, and the second prize (\$5) by Private E. E. Wood of Company B.

The second section was in the manual of arms. The first prize (\$20) was won by Private Frank B. Screven of Company A, and the second prize (\$5) by Sergt. J. F. Cann of Company C.

The judges of the drill were Capt. H. M. Branch and Lieuts. Brooks and Mell of the Savannah Cadets, who were rigid in their exercise and gave great satisfaction. Lieut. Freeman of Company A, Lieut. Rockwell of Company B and Lieut. Cann of Company C were in command respectively of the squads of their companies. No spectators were allowed except members of the corps.

There will be another drill for similar prizes on Monday, July 9, and another in August, and several intervening company prize drills for money prizes.

At the regular meeting last night new members were elected and a number of petitions for membership read the first time and referred to the advisory board. The corps is thoroughly in earnest and determined to push itself to the front, in drill and discipline.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

More Parties Complainant in the Weisbein Cases.

In the superior court yesterday, Julius Levkov, I. Leopold, and Strauss Bros. were made parties complainant in the Weisbein suits.

In the suit of Henry Blan et al vs. Lillenthal & Son et al, Capt. Blan obtained a verdict for \$1,550 principal and \$49.17 interest, and P. A. Brauss & Co. obtained a verdict of \$130 principal and \$4.93 interest.

Kauffman Bros. & Bundy were made parties complainant in the Pearson and Spann suits.

The principal time of the session was taken up with the trial of a suit for bail in trover, and the case was in progress when the court took a recess until 9:30 o'clock this morning. Peter Lindenstruth sued E. Muhlberg and Mord Abrams for the recovery of a gold watch, worth from \$275 to \$300, sold by Lindenstruth to the late J. J. Abrams, for which no payment had been made up to the time of the purchaser's death. The watch fell into the hands of Mr. Muhlberg, from whom the co-defendant purchased it.

WON BY LUCKY HIT.

SAVANNAH AGAIN KNOCKS THE MUSCOCOREAN.

Papillon Tries His Hand At Columbus Snuggers—A Big Both Teams but Savannah Majority—The Last Game Series to be Played To-day to be Here To-morrow.

Savannah defeated Columbus by lucky hitting and sharp bat-

Papillon was put in the box for and, although a little inclined he pitched effectively. After a let was put in and finished the was a closer game than that played and at the finish the score 12 in Savannah's favor, the local out six runs in the last innin earned runs Columbus made 6 nath's 4.

The crowd at the park was smugate tender had an easy time o slim support that the club has bing, the management says, will r withdrawal from the league in a unless the attendance is larger, o gets a windfall to e through the season. Savannah turn out as good crowds, thot other cities in the league do. E is not an active demand for base l public is not satisfied with the sp is getting. Savannah cannot co its club, for it took the lead of clubs at the start and has held it ri To-day's game will close the pres and Atlanta will play here the week. The score yesterday was 8

SAVANNAH.

	A.B.	R.	E.	F.
Butler, p.a.s.s.	5	0	1	1
Green, c.	3	0	0	0
Monahan, i.f.	3	1	0	0
Lamotte, 3b.	3	4	0	0
Horton, 2b.	2	1	1	1
Demerse, c.f. as s.	5	2	0	0
Brown, r.f.	4	2	1	1
Schreck, lb.	5	0	0	4
Papillon, p.a.c.f.	5	0	0	1
Totals	43	15	17	

COLUMBUS.

	A.B.	R.	E.	F.
Willet, 3b.	4	2	1	1
Gibson, 2b.	5	0	0	0
Miller, s.s. & c.	5	0	0	0
Renfro, lb.	4	0	0	0
Bambush, c. & s.s.	5	2	1	1
Layfield, p. & r.f.	4	1	0	0
Fogarty, i.f.	5	2	0	0
Mosbell, r. f. & p.	5	0	0	0
Whitehurst, c. f.	5	0	0	0
Totals	49	12	14	

BY INNINGS.

Savannah	0	2	1	4	3
Columbus	0	0	2	2	0

SUMMARY.

Earned runs—Savannah 4, Columbus 2. Two-base hits—Butler, Miller, Garty and Mosbell.

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REAL ESTATE (cont'd)

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age in adjacent lands, are now among the healthiest localities in the country. Mr. Thomas gave a very interesting review of the drainage done in the past, the work now in progress, and that which is contemplated next year.

Mr. Thomas says that the chain-gang is now working on the Vale Royal canal upon which work began March 12 last. He does not expect that this canal will be finished before Jan. 1 next. "The proposed Musgrove system of drainage", said Mr. Thomas, "will drain an area of 2,500 acres, one-third of which has never been under cultivation and is practically uninhabitable. The Minis Canal, or Minis swamp drainage, is a part of the Musgrove creek drainage, and when Musgrove creek is deepened, the Minis canal will be continued farther southeast through the swamps to the Savannah, Florida and Western railway."

Work on the Minis swamp canal was stopped last year because of the lack of sufficient outlet, the city authorities having refused to deepen Musgrove Creek. The Superior Court grand jury took action in the matter and as a result the creek will be deepened by the county.

SMN June 6, 1888: 8/2 - Yesterday was the regular June sales day. Considerable property was sold, and, generally it brought good prices. The tract of land owned by Harriett B. Bacon, at Isle of Hope, containing ninety-five acres was sold to J. H. Estill, for \$850.

Two lots on Tybee Island were sold to R. R. Lovell at \$1,400.

Two other lots at Tybee near Capt. Blun's house were sold for \$500 and \$495 to McMillan Bros. J. B. Newton

J. McLaughlin & Son sold the Goshen Plantation of 917½ acres in Effingham county to F. Exley for \$1,625. Also three lots at Duffy and Burrough streets for \$625, \$500 and \$400 each. W. O. Pemberton was the purchaser.

LaRoche & McLaughlin sold lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, containing from 1 3/8 acres to 5½ acres each, situated on the Thunderbolt road, the purchasers being R. D. Guerard, J. A. Furber, Dr. Groth, John Green, T. H. Enright, Henry Simons, Henry Ambos and others.

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