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GOVERNMENT GOSSIP.

THE REPORTED CABINET MEETING ON TUESDAY NEXT.

SOME DOUBT ABOUT IT.

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY AT HIS DESK AGAIN.

ANOTHER HOWGATE STORY.

Mr. Bayard on the Riel Case—General and Personal.

A National Bank Dividend.—The Acting Comptroller of the Currency has declared a first dividend of twenty per cent. in favor of the creditors of the Exchange National Bank of Norfolk, on claims proved to the amount of $2,752,000.

A Postoffice Robbed.—Mr. Maynard, acting chief of inspectors of the Postoffice Department, to-day received a telegram announcing that the postoffice at Morris, Ill., had been entered, the vault and safe blown open, and the key and stamps abstracted.

Consul Whelan's Recognition.—It is said at the State Department that the Canadian and British Governments will undoubtedly recognize Whelan, the United States Consul to Fort Erie, Canada. No official intimation of an objection to him has ever reached the Department.

Superintendent Thorne Denies.—Mr. Thorne, acting superintendent of the Coast Survey, denies the published statement that a supplemental report has been prepared, recommending the retension or reinstatement of officials upon whom serious reflections were cast in the original report.

Intercession for Riel.—Secretary Bayard has replied to the appeals in behalf of Riel, the Canadian insurgent, that this Government will not take the initiative in ascertaining his claims to citizenship and interfere in his behalf. The matter will have to be formally presented. The Secretary of State has requested information as to whether Riel was arrested on this side of the boundary.

Another Howgate Story.—The Baltimore *Sun* says a gentleman who has recently returned from Europe, found Captain Howgate, the missing ex-Signal Officer, living with his parents in England. He reports him to be broken in health and walking on crutches, but negotiating with associates of the late Professor Vennor for the establishment of a system of weather predictions for Canada and South America.

Secretary Manning Back.—Secretary Manning returned to the city at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and went to the Arlington Hotel, where he was in consultation during the evening with Treasurer Jordan and other officials. This morning Secretary Manning was at his office, but declined to see any callers before Monday. He was closeted with his private secretary and at work on his mail and accumulated papers. A large number of persons called at his office, but were denied admission by the doorkeeper.

The Returning Officials.—It is said that the President has decided to return to Washington on Monday next, and has requested all the members of his Cabinet to be present at the Cabinet meeting to be held on Tuesday. At present there are but two out of the seven Ministers in the city. Secretary Manning arrived here last night, and Secretary Bayard has not been away. Secretary Whitney is expected back to-day; Attorney-General Garland is still down in Arkansas; Postmaster-General Vilas is yet in Wisconsin, and Secretary Lamar is at Oakland, Md.

Entertainments on Naval Vessels.—Naval officers complain of the unfairness of the decision of Comptroller Durham deducting $400 from Rear Admiral Jouett's pay on account of expenditures in entertaining distinguished guests on board the Tennessee at the New Orleans Exposition. They say that Admiral Jouett acted under instructions from Secretary Chandler to entertain prominent American and foreign guests, and that if the expenditure was not authorized by law he should not be held responsible. It is thought that the decision will apply to numerous cases in which courtesies are extended to foreign representatives on American naval vessels.

Returning Officials.—The acting private secretary in charge at the White House declines to furnish any information as to the time of the President's return, or to confirm the report that a Cabinet meeting is to be held on next Tuesday night. The report that the Cabinet has been summoned for such a meeting is not credited, as three members at least—Messrs. Endicott, Garland and Vilas—would have long journeys to make. At the War Department no intimation has been received as to the time of the Secretary's return, a letter received this morning not mentioning the subject. At the Navy Department it is thought probable that Secretary Whitney will accompany the President if he returns on Monday.

Minor and Personal.

Secretary Lamar will not return to the city until next Monday.

Assistant Secretary Fairchild will leave in a few days for his vacation.

Mr. C. A. Maxwell, chief of the division of lands in the Indian Office, is acting chief clerk of that office.

Surgeon-General Hamilton of the Marine Hospital Service has returned from an extended tour of inspection.

Judge Lambert Tree of Chicago, the new Belgium Minister, arrived in this city yesterday and will go to New York and sail on September 12 for Europe.

During the absence of Commissioner Atkins in New York, Mr. Upshaw, the chief clerk of the bureau, is acting as Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

A little gray fox ran out of one of the Treasury flower gardens this morning and was pursued by some boys and a dog in the direction of the monument, but was not captured.

Miss M. L. Smith of Vermont has been appointed a clerk of $720 in the office of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General, after serving the probationary term of six months.

H. J. Brown of New Hampshire has been appointed a clerk of class $900 in the Money-Order office of the Postoffice Department, after serving the probationary term of six months.

The reports received at the Postoffice Department from the contractors for furnishing postal cards continues to show an increase in the daily number turned out. On Wednesday that number amounted to 1,376,000.

Mr. Nash, chief clerk of the Postoffice Department, has received a letter from the Postmaster-General, who writes that his sojourn in the woods has done him a great deal of good. He could not tell exactly when he would return to Washington.

A Match for $1,000.

TROY, N. Y., Sept. 5.—Forfeit money $100 was to-day deposited with the *Times* for Courtney and Conley for a match with Hanlan and Lee for $1,000 a side, to be rowed at Pleasure Island.

Mrs. William M. Galt, who was so seriously ill with malarial fever, contracted at the seashore, is now convalescent. Mr. Galt has been out for several days.

THE ARMY AND NAVY.

Notes of Interest to the Service from All Along the Lines.

Captain Gerald Russell, Third Cavalry, has been granted six months' sick leave.

Private Theodore Mueller, Second Cavalry, is granted three months' furlough to go abroad.

Lieutenant Joseph H. Gustin, Fourteenth Infantry, has been granted four months' leave from Salt Lake City.

Major Oswald H. Ernst, Corps of Engineers, has been granted fourteen days extension of leave from September 7.

Lieutenant-Colonel David L. Magruder, surgeon, attending surgeon at Philadelphia, has been granted fifteen days' leave.

Lieutenant-Colonel Melville A. Cochran, Fifth Infantry, is being tried before the district civil court at Miles City, Dakota.

Post Quartermaster-Sergeant Richard Anderson has been transferred from Fort Riley, Kansas, to duty at Fort Selden, New Mexico.

First Lieutenant Isaac T. Webster, First Artillery, passed through Omaha last Wednesday on his way East on leave of absence from San Francisco.

Major Robert H. Hall, Twenty-second Infantry, acting inspector-general on General O. O. Howard's staff, is on leave for fourteen days from Omaha.

Lieutenant William P. Kendall, assistant surgeon (recently appointed), is ordered to report at San Francisco for assignment to duty in the Department of California.

The competition for places on the Division of the Missouri rifle team begins to-day at Fort Snelling. The regular practice began on Wednesday, and the result will be decided next Wednesday.

Captain Charles Richards, assistant surgeon, is ordered from Jackson Barracks, La., to duty at Willet's Point, New York Harbor, relieving Captain John J. Kane, who is ordered to Texas for assignment to duty.

Lieutenant Isaac W. Littell, Tenth Infantry, at Fort Lyon, Colorado, has been granted two months' leave, to take effect as soon after October 1 as he can be spared by Lieutenant-Colonel Joseph S. Conrad, Twenty-second Infantry, his post commander.

Cadet Lorenzo P. Davison, who graduated at West Point in June, but was sentenced to confinement there until August 28 for insubordination, has been released, and is appointed to Troop F, Seventh Cavalry, at Fort Buford, Dak., where he will report September 30.

It is probable that the repairs necessary to the Alliance will be made without putting the vessel out of commission, and if so most of the work on the sails and the standing and running rigging will be done by her crew. The spars ground tackle and rigging has already been sent ashore at Norfolk.

Lieutenant James A. Goodin, Seventh Infantry, in the first two days' practice runs in the Division of the Missouri skirmish firing at Fort Snelling, made a total score of 398 points, which is nineteen more than was made by Serg. Weeks, Sixth Infantry, during the competition of the Department of the Platte at Fort Omaha.

The following naval orders were made yesterday: Lieutenant-Commander John Schouler has reported his return home from the Lancaster, from which he was detached July 27, and is ordered to duty September 25 at the Naval Academy; Assistant Paymaster Leeds C. Keer, to be detached from the New York Navy-Yard September 15 and placed on waiting orders; Assistant Engineer J. W. Annan, ordered to the Portsmouth (N. H.) Navy-Yard.

Captain Walter Raleigh Butt, who resigned as a lieutenant from the navy in 1861 to join the Confederate service, died last April in San Francisco. At the time of the collapse of the Confederacy he was a captain in their navy, and was with the naval brigade under Admiral Raphael Semmes that surrendered with General Joseph E. Johnston. He returned to Boston in June, 1861, in the Constellation from the coast of Africa.

There is much anxiety among Naval Academy cadets to know who are to be the cadet officers of the battalion for the coming year. Superintendent Ramsay will announce the new officials September 28. It is believed that Cadet William H. Foust will be designated cadet lieutenant-commander of the battalion, and that the captains of the four companies will be as follows: First company, W. H. G. Bullard; second company, Webster A. Edgar; third company, Harold K. Hines; fourth company, Willard L. Dodd.

The House Doorkeepership.

Mr. Gilliland, the correspondent of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, telegraphed his paper an article on the offices of the House of Representatives last night. He says the Ohio delegation will not unite on Mr. Leedom for the Sergeant-at-Armship, but that if the State goes Democratic this fall any name the delegation may present will be accepted by the House. Henry Bohl, the chairman of the Democratic State Committee, is considered the strongest of the innumerable candidates who have announced themselves for the position.

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT NEWS.

Matters of Interest Considered by the Commissioners.

Samuel Bacon has petitioned the Commissioners to improve H street, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets next year.

District Commissioner Edmonds has returned to the city, and was at his desk today. He is looking much better after his vacation.

A building permit has been granted to Mrs. Mary Ntumo to erect a dwelling on Fifteenth street, between I and K streets, to cost $5,000.

The Commissioners have disapproved the application of Eliason & Co. for permission to lay a siding from the B. & P. Railroad to their yard on Virginia avenue.

The Commissioners have notified Mr. Alfred L. Leonard of 1421 G street, who complains of the howling of dogs in his neighborhood that there is no law against such a nuisance, and the only relief he can get is by having the grand jury declare it a common nuisance.

The damage by fire during August was very small. The loss was $2,967, with $1,969 of insurance. The chief states that there has been a large increase in the sale of inferior qualities of coal oil, which he thinks should be checked, or a serious accident will result from a continuation of the evil.

CITY HALL NOTES.

Items of Minor Importance Gleaned From the Courts.

A marriage licenses has been granted to Frank W. Jones and Irene Bland.

The will of Carl G. Freudenberg has been filed for probate. Deceased leaves his estate to Annie K. Freudenberg, his widow, and nominates her as executrix of the estate.

Dennis Burke has made an assignment of his stock of groceries, at No. 834 Seventh street, to Randall Hagner, for the benefit of his creditors. Preferences, after payment of rent, is given to T. A. Brown & Co. of Baltimore, Md., for $500; Kate D. Burke, $800, and Lizzie B. Burke, $1,800.

A deed of incorporation has been filed by "The District Real Estate Investment Company," with a capital of $1,000. The incorporators are: Dennis Connell, George R. Repetti, Terrence A. Duffy, M. L. Weller, John J. Fuller, Lawrence Cavanaugh, Thomas J. King, John Elbert and E. J. Hannan.

A friendly suit in equity has been filed by Henry J. Ruppert, son of John Ruppert, deceased, against his three brothers and his uncle, Henry Ruppert. Deceased left certain property to his four sons. They were to carry on his business as a butcher until they all reached the age of twenty-one. The suit is to find out whether one of the brothers can sell out to the other before they are all of age.

Paymaster-General Rochester has returned from Vineyard Haven, where he has been spending his short vacation.

THE CUTLERS' DINNER.

MR. PHELPS AS A GUEST AT THE SHEFFIELD BANQUET.

A NOTABLE OCCASION.

"HORNY-HANDED SONS OF TOIL" IN THEIR STORE CLOTHES.

OUR MINISTER'S SPEECH.

The Kind of Workingmen the Sheffield Cutlers Are.

Mr. Phelps, who conveys peaceful echoes of the Eagle's scream to the hospitable lair of the British Lion, in his capacity of Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary from the Court of St. Sam to the Court of St. James, attended a Cutlers' banquet at Sheffield one day this week, and our brethren of the press are highly complimenting our representative for his association with the horny-handed workingmen. It is, indeed, pleasing to see Mr. Phelps hobnobbing with the grimy sons of toil instead of mincing down Picadilly with the owner of a coronet or destroying *pates des foie gras* at the table of a gouty duke.

Mr. Phelps did not indulge in that soaring eloquence which often mars and disfigures the remarks of representative men addressed to the working classes. He may have gone a little over his hearers' heads when he dropped into Virgil, in the vernacular, and many of his auditors were not aware, when he lisped a few melodious lines of Tasso, that he was wrestling with the language of the hand-organ man, but of course such things must happen in the best regulated stump speeches.

Mr. Phelps sat on the right of the presiding cutler. This hard working mechanic was attired in a rich dress and wore a diamond as big as a plumbe's in his immaculate shirt bosom. This is the usual attire of a man who makes knives in England when he sits down to daily with his provender. Opposite Mr. Phelps was another gentleman who had replaced his every day working clothes with garments of the approved fashionable style, and he wore opals as big as butter plates. The other cutlers were also uncomfortable in black suits and choker collars, and wore various kinds of jewelry, though the taste of the majority seemed to run largely to nasal carbuncles. In laying aside their every day clothes the cutlers had also gone a peg higher in the quality of their creature comforts, and the customary beef and potatoes, while largely present, were accompanied by various delicate palate ticklers and real mayonnaise sauce. It was evident that every workman, too, had brushed up his English, as the aspiral sound of that great grammatical stumbling block, the H, was made with due consideration for the rules of Lindley Logan Murray.

Some of the guests even seemed to be acquainted with fourth sons of earls, and we may well imagine Mr. Phelps' surprise when he heard one of his entertainers addressed as "Me lud." Of course he immediately desired an explanation and was informed by one of the workingmen that it was merely a playful term of endearment used only at the recurrence of the annual banquet. This satisfied Mr. Phelps, but he endeavored to frown down any copying of nobility's affectations by the cutlers by calling the one addressed as "Me lud" "Charlie, old boy," all the rest of the evening.

He wanted them to understand that he represented a country containing over fifty million free and enlightened citizens, where "Colonel" was one of the highest titles, and where a man who gloried in the appellation of "Judge" could crook his elbow every twenty-five minutes at the expense of a moneyed admirer. Altogether the banquet passed off pleasantly, and as the cutlers rolled off to their humble residences, fifty thousand under-paid, ill-fed, poorly-clothed cutlers sat down to scanty dinners and wondered what that Heaven was where Mr. Phelps and his entertainers lived in the perpetual sunshine of plenty.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Jottings About People Known in Washington.

Hon. William Ward of Pennsylvania is at the Riggs House.

Judge Kilpatrick and wife left this morning for Brookside.

Bishop William D. Walker of Fargo, D. T., is at the Arlington.

C. H. Crocker and L. Gilson, jr., of San Francisco are at Wormley's.

General Alfred H. Colquitt, the Georgia Senator, was in Chicago on Thursday.

Mrs. Howell and daughter and Miss Emma Levy have returned from Deer Park.

Ted D. Marks, business manager of Bartley Campbell's "Paquita" Company, is at Willard's.

General J. Ramord De Ybarrola, the engineer who built the Mexican Railroad, is at the Riggs.

J. Q. Thompson and Mrs. Thompson are spending a few days at the Mountain House, Cresson, Pa.

Mr. Jesse Miller, who has been summering at Ocean Grove, has returned, burned brown as a berry.

A large party of gentlemen will leave on the George Leary to-night for Piney Point to enjoy the splendid fishing now to be had there.

William B. Crooks of the Philadelphia Novelties Exhibition and one of *Frank Leslie's* special artists, is at the Riggs House.

The first call of Rev. Dr. Stephen H. Tyng, who died yesterday, was to a church in Georgetown in 1821. He remained there for two years.

The wife of Hon. Ben. Butterworth of Ohio has been quite sick for ten days, and it is now feared that her illness may develop into typhoid fever.

Professor Simon Newcomb, U. S. N., the Superintendent of the Nautical Almanac, will arrive home from Europe about the middle of this month.

Mrs. W. Ross Browne entertained a party of friends one evening last week at her summer home, Vineyard Haven, in which there were about forty Washingtonians.

Lieutenant Francis J. Kernan, jr., Twenty-first Infantry, the son of ex-Senator Kernan of New York, was in Chicago on Thursday from his station at Fort Sidney, Nebraska.

Judge Thomas Sunderland and family of California returned to the city from Oakland, Md., yesterday. Judge Sunderland is in very poor health. They are at the Arlington.

General Thomas Duncan, U. S. A., and Mrs. Duncan, with their daughter, Miss Lilly, have returned to their home, at No. 1206 Fourteenth street from Allegheny Springs, W. Va.

The marriage of Miss Lulu Meigs, the daughter of General Meigs, U. S. A., to Mr. Archibald Forbes, the celebrated English war correspondent, is announced to take place this fall. Mr. Forbes has been visiting his fiance at Mount Desert.

Passed Assistant Paymaster John N. Speel, U. S. N., has gone to St. Paul again and preparing for the coming season's logging work on his timber lands. He will return to Washington the latter part of this month.

Major Gurden McKay of Boston, a son of the famous shipbuilder, is in the city on a visit and has quarters at the Harris House. During a part of the late war he was on duty in this city, attached to the staff of General Martindale, the military governor.

POLITICS IN OHIO.

The Situation as it Appears to Mr. Benjamin Butterworth.

A CRITIC reporter met the Hon. Ben Butterworth this afternoon and asked him what he thought of the chances for Republican success in Ohio this fall.

"I have not been able to get to the State for some time on account of my wife's illness," said Mr. Butterworth, "and know nothing personally of the state of affairs, but from the advices I have received I have no doubt that we will carry the State.

"What makes you think that Foraker is stronger and Hoadly weaker than they were two years ago?"

"Two years ago prohibition was an active issue in the campaign and drew away a large number of Republican votes. If it had not been for that I feel sure Foraker would have been elected by 20,000 majority. This year the prohibition movement amounts to very little and I don't believe it will get more than 10,000 votes. Then the disaffection of the colored people has almost passed away. I have not seen the whole ticket nominated at our county convention at Cincinnati Thursday yet, but am sure it will be elected."

"Do you think Senator Sherman's speech, which has created such discussion, was timely and wise?" asked the reporter.

"Every word of it," replied Mr. Butterworth, warmly. "I don't know whether it will have any bad effect or not, but I would rather see the Republican party go to nothing in one night than to have it quietly sit and see one man in one section of the country as much politically as three men are in another. I would sooner see it totally wrecked than turn its back and run away from ridicule. Senator Sherman was right in every word he said."

"Do you anticipate any effect upon the voters from the President's Civil-Service Reform policy?"

"I can't say that I do. On the downward path from every Department you hear the clicking of the heels of discharged employes. There may be seven mugwumps in Ohio who will be influenced by the course of the Administration. I am pretty sure there are three, and I think the number may rise to seven, but that's all."

"What do you think of the Administration as far as it has gone? Do you think it will turn into a real partisan Government?"

"As I said some time ago, I think Mr. Cleveland desires to fulfill all the pledges made by him before and after the election, but with Fred. Massey I think his good resolutions will be worn away by mere attrition. I think from the way things look that in a few months the Government will be as you term it, a partisan one."

Mr. Butterworth was at this juncture handed a copy of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, containing the full ticket nominated at the Republican county convention at Cincinnati on Thursday, and asked what he thought of it, but the genial and wily Ohioan folded it up and said he would look it over before giving his opinion.

THE OLD DOMINION.

Events in Fairfax and Elsewhere Through the State.

FALLS CHURCH, VA., Sept. 5.—Mr. C. E. Mankin, the newly appointed postmaster at this place, received his commission yesterday.

About two months ago the wife of Watson Lloyd died, leaving an infant only a few days old. Yesterday the little one died. Mr. Lloyd has the sincere sympathies of many friends in his great bereavement.

Among the recent arrivals at the Eagle House of this place are Wm. Maven, Mich.; Mrs. Leita A. Rose, Washington, D. C.; D. S. Clement, Texas; W. H. Gilbert, Baltimore, and J. W. Learnsill, Washington, D. C.

The grangers are doing rapid work in preparing for the coming picnic. Already nine large buildings are nearly completed and six more will be constructed very soon. The work of clearing the ground is going on rapidly.

GENERAL VIRGINIA NEWS.

The Democrats of Orange County have nominated Dr. Rowe, a prominent physician, for the House of Delegates. The Republican candidate is F. N. Stephens, who was beaten two years ago for the same position.

George T. Langhorne of Lynchburg has passed a successful examination at West Point, and will enter the Military Academy as a cadet.

Thomas H. Gore has sold his farm of 555 acres, in Loudoun County, to S. L. Euhler of Pennsylvania for $31,000.

James L. Powell, editor of the Tidewater *Index*, has bought the Fredericksburg *News* and will soon take charge of it.

General Lee and Major John W. Daniel will speak at Staunton September 12.

The Republicans of Petersburg opened the campaign last evening with a speech by Captain R. B. Berkeley.

Mr. Caspar Nott, for many years a prominent business man of Winchester, died last week, aged 76 years.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction has awarded Peabody scholarships in the Nashville College to the following applicants, who were examined at the summer normals: A. G. Parr, Culpeper; J. Willard Brisby, Petersburg; A. A. Canaday, Floyd; Miss Byrdie Lee Hill, Richmond; Miss Mattie W. Coulling, Richmond; Miss Mattie H. Chapman, Fairfax Court House; Philip W. Tyler, Miss Fannie B. Stoneham.

Wall Street Gossip.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—Money 1½ per cent. Exchange quiet but steady. Government's firm. Currency 6s, 128 bid; 4s, coupon, 123 bid; 4½s, do., 112½ bid. The stock market opened dull to-day, and during the first thirty minutes on a slight pressure to sell, prices declined ⅛ to ¼ per cent. Part of this was recovered by midday on the placing of some supporting orders, but the market has since been dull and featureless.

Died Unidentified.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Sept. 5.—The man found in the marsh near Bellevue yesterday, apparently suffering with delirium tremens, died at the almshouse last night. He did not speak after being taken there and his identity has not been established. He will be buried in the potter's field to-night.

Twenty-Three Horses Burned.

PORTLAND, ME., Sept. 5.—The boarding-stable owned by Charles M. & Lewis Grey was destroyed by fire at 2:15 this morning, together with twenty-three horses and several carriages, express wagons, etc. The shrieks of the horses were heartrending. The loss will reach $2,500.

A Druggist's Victim Improving.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 5.—Milton Ogden, the 15-year-old son of W. A. Ogden of 3522 Wallace street, who was poisoned by having snuffed up into his nostrils sulphate of hyoscyamin in mistake for a preparation known as vesta suppositories, is slowly improving, although he is very sick yet.

The President's New Span.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 5.—Mr. John Turner, the well-known horseman of this city, has just sold to President Cleveland a span of horses for $5,000. The animals are of the Hambletonian breed.

The Winder Building Condemned.

Inspector of Buildings Entwisle has condemned the Winder building, at Seventeenth and G streets, now used as Government offices. The inspector states that the wall is only nine inches thick, when it should be much thicker. He also states that the building is in danger of collapsing from the heavy loads of documents and material stored there. The floor joists and girders are of insufficient strength and are out of place and the wall is leaning two inches out of plumb.

OUR PULPIT GALLERY.

THE PASTOR OF THE TABERNACLE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

REV. ROBERT NOURSE.

A Sketch of His Ministerial Career and Successful Work.

Mr. Nourse was born at Thetford, Norfolk County, England, May 16, 1841. He was educated at the grammar school of his native place, at the Royal Dramatic College, and at the Hackney Theological Seminary, London. In 1867 he became pastor of Bethel Chapel, at Sheerness, in Kent. Thence he came to the United States, about thirteen years ago, and settled as pastor of the Congregational Church at Aledo, Illinois, whence he was called to a church at Springfield, in that

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State. Subsequently, in consequence of the ill-health of his wife, he removed to La Crosse, Wisconsin, and became pastor of one of the largest Congregational churches in that State.

In January last Mr. Nourse was called to the Tabernacle church in this city, and was installed as pastor on the 19th of February by a council comprising some of the most distinguished ministers of Boston, New York and Chicago. At the same time the church was admitted to the Congregational union and fellowship.

Mr. Nourse's brief pastorate here has been popular and successful. He preached his first sermon to an audience of only twenty-nine persons. Now his services are well attended, and under his ministry thirteen persons have united with the church, and seventy new scholars have been added to the Sabbath school. Through his personal efforts several hundred dollars have been collected and paid on the church debt. He is an active worker, a fine scholar, and a preacher of great power. Socially he is one of the most genial of men.

On the lecture platform he has few equals, and his success in this field is well attested in the following extract from *The Christian at Work* of July 16, last. Speaking of two of his lectures, 'John and Jonathan,' and 'Blighted Women,' that paper says:

"We write it down unhesitatingly that we have never read or heard delivered anything in the shape of lectures more witty, sensible and forceful than those two lectures. The themes are timely, and they are handled with all the eloquence of a master. The lecture on 'Blighted Women' ought to be put in the hands of every woman in this country. No one will wonder, after reading either of these lectures, why this orator—orator in every sense of the word—holds his audience spell-bound for hours under the charm of his graphic, racy diction, and resistless torrent of sound sense and unimpeachable argument."

Disappeared with $6,000.

TOPEKA, KAN., Sept. 5.—Frederick Brown has been missing since Saturday night last. He was a cattle buyer, and had drawn from the banks $6,080 for the purchase of cattle. This morning his hand bag was found in the woods in the rear of the Valley House, a place with rather a hard name. This place was set on fire on Tuesday morning, when inquiry had begun to be made for Brown. Four beds in different parts of the house were on fire when the fire department arrived. The belief is strong that he was murdered in this house.

A Convict Appointed Postmaster.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Sept. 5.—Samuel Morley, who has been appointed postmaster at Bridgeport, this county, is shown by the record of the criminal court of January, 1874, to have been convicted of grand larceny, and sentenced to 5 years in the penitentiary. He secured a new trial on a technicality, and was then given two years on a plea of guilty. He served his term. The records in the case have been sent to Washington, with a demand for Morley's removal. He was appointed at the recommendation of Congressman Bynum.

A Very Sensitive Man.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—James Connerton, otherwise "Bad," a well-known sure card man, walked into Wasserman's beer saloon, at 145 Madison street, last night, and without warning drew a pistol, which he discharged at Mike Wasserman. The ball missed its mark and he was disarmed. He managed to free himself from those who caught hold of him and escaped. Connorton's ire is said to have been aroused because the proprietors of the saloon had intimated that the discontinuance of his patronage would be regarded as a favor.

Gonzaga College Opening.

Gonzaga College, an institution under the direction of the Jesuit Fathers, long and favorably known among the people of the District, will reopen on Monday under the direction of Rev. E. A. Methurk, a gentleman qualified by years of experience in conducting one of the most successful colleges in the city of Baltimore.

Accidentally Killed.

Jesse Bouldin, a colored laborer at the Boundary street sewer, was killed yesterday afternoon by being struck on the head with a bucket in the shaft. Coroner Patterson held an inquest on the remains at the Seventh Precinct Station to-day, and the jury rendered a verdict of accidental killing.

Another Glove Fight.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 5.—Tom Warren, the "California Nugget," has accepted the "Hannaing Bird's" challenge to meet in a six-round glove contest, Marquis of Queensbury rules to govern, September 19, in this city; the winner to receive the entire receipts.

A Death-Bed Confession.

HAMILTON, O., Sept. 5.—Patrick O'Neal has confessed on his death-bed that he committed a murder on Christmas Eve, 1883, for which his brother John was sentenced to a long imprisonment.

Took Poison.

BOSTON, Sept. 5.—Joseph B. Decker of 1840 Washington street poisoned himself with "Rough on Rats" this morning. Domestic trouble was the cause of his suicide.

A Fall of Rocks.

BUFFALO, Sept. 5.—Several hundred tons of rock, projecting from the bank at Prospect Park, fell yesterday, but no damage was done.

MAKING A TEST.

Proceedings Against the Civil-Service Commissioners.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—Counsellor Miller, representing James W. Hinkley, appeared before Judge Wallace yesterday with a petition signed by Mr. Hinkley and made a motion for a rule that Messrs. Dorman B. Eaton, Leroy D. Thomas and James H. Gregory, Civil-Service Commissioners, show cause before the court why the petition, asking for a writ in the nature of a quo warranto, should not be filed in the writ issued therein in the name of the United States, demanding by what right the defendants exercised alleged unconstitutional powers. Judge Wallace granted an order to show cause why the relator should not be permitted to commence suit and made it returnable on the 25th instant.

Mr. Miller says it is a proceeding to test the legality of the exercise of the powers claimed by the Commission. It asks the court to demand by what right they claim the right to execute the powers and duties vested in the President by the Constitution. I do not like to try the case out of court and would prefer to talk of it before the bench. It is not, I can say, inspired by Mr. Manning, but comes direct from Mr. Hinkley as a citizen demanding to know what the Commissioners are doing. It is the first time, I believe, that the matter has come into court and is the only way in which the existence of the Commissioners could be attacked. It is not in the nature of a friendly suit at all, but will be pushed to a final decision. Mr. Eaton, I am told, will argue in his own behalf. I am glad of it.

THE MURDERED CHINAMEN.

A Glance Over Wednesday's Battle Ground.

ROCKS SPRINGS, W. T., Sept. 5.—A glance over the "battle" ground of Wednesday reveals the fact that many of the bullets fired at the fleeing Chinamen found their mark. Lying in the smouldering embers where Chinatown stood were found ten charred and shapeless human trunks sending up a noisome stench, while another, which had evidently been dragged from the ashes by hogs, was found in the sage brush near by. A search resulted in finding the bodies of five more Chinamen killed by rifle shots while fleeing from the pursuers. All have been placed in pine coffins and buried. Some six or eight others were found seriously wounded and were cared for by the railroad officials. The coroner's jury has rendered a verdict to the effect that the dead came to their death at the hands of parties unknown.

After the quarrel in the mines about the right to occupy a certain room the miners gathered on the front streets, about 100 of them, armed with guns, revolvers, hatchets and knives, and proceeded toward Chinatown. Before reaching there they sent a committee of three, warning the Chinamen to leave in an hour. This they agreed to do, and started to pack up, but in about half an hour the white men grew impatient and advanced upon the Chinese quarters, shooting and firing their guns into the air. Without offering resistance, the Chinese fled with whatever they could snatch up.

The miners then set fire to some of the houses, and soon eight or ten of the largest houses were in flames. A laundry in town was next visited and the inoffensive inmates shot dead. During the night all of the Chinese houses in town, numbering nearly fifty, were burned to the ground. A number of Chinamen who were hiding fled from the burning buildings.

A Fatal Quarrel Over Corn.

FORT SMITH, ARK., Sept. 5.—News reached here yesterday of a murder which occurred last week in the Verdigri's bottom, in the Cherokee Nation. Richard Sutherland and Jacob Burns had a quarrel Friday over some corn. Sutherland said he would settle it the next day. He met Burns driving along the road and told him he had come to settle their difficulty. Burns got off his wagon and Sutherland fired at him with a shotgun, putting eighteen buckshot into his body, and as Burns climbed into the wagon fired a second time, killing him instantly. Both were white men. No arrests have yet been made.

Killed His Wife from Jealousy.

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEX., Sept. 5.—At the ranch of Mateo Sanero in Duval County, Thursday, a Mexican, named Euebie Diaz, shot and killed his wife and then shot himself three times. Failing to kill himself he drew a dagger from his boot and cut his throat. A physician was summoned and sewed up the wound in his throat, when the man revived sufficiently to be taken to jail. The murderer's wife was a daughter of Sanero, and only 14 years old. They had only been recently married. Diaz was jealous of her.

A Singular Accident.

AMHERSTBURG, ONT., Sept. 5.—As the propeller Cleveland and her consort were about to put into Pigeon Bay yesterday on account of heavy weather, the water bottom of the boiler blew out, the escaping steam, fatally scalding John Ward, a deck hand, severely scalding Fireman Edward Dennis and slightly scalding Engineer Robertson and Mollie Plagen, the cook. The damage to the vessel is mostly to the engine and the pipes. She was towed to this port. She was bound from Bay City to Cleveland with lumber.

Sympathy for Mr. Kelley.

AUBURN, N. Y., Sept. 5.—J. H. Shehan, who left last evening as a delegate to the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union Convention in Brooklyn next week, carries with him a set of resolutions denouncing the conduct of Austria towards Minister Kelley. The convention will be asked to adopt them. Mr. Kelley was president of the union for twelve years.

Serious Fire in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, MD., Sept. 5.—Early this morning a fire broke out in the building owned by Mr. Samuel G. Taylor, on the corner of Granby street and East Falls avenue. Before the fire could be controlled. That, and the adjoining buildings on East Falls avenue were completely gutted and the walls demolished. The total loss will reach $45,000.

The Week's Failures.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—the business failures throughout the country in the last seven days as reported to R. G. Dun & Co. of the Mercantile Agency, number, for the United States, 146, and for Canada 19; as compared with 159 last week.

If Riel is Hanged.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 5.—Exile J. J. McBride to-day telegraphed to Sir John McDonald that if Riel was hanged the Invincibles would blow up the Government buildings at Ottawa.

Killed without Provocation.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Sept. 5.—Lindsey Buckler walked up behind a man name Snyder at Loretta Kentucky yesterday and killed him with a shot gun without warning. No known provocation existed. Buckler escaped.

At the Hotels.

W. W. Dunham, and wife of Wayne, Ill., are at Willard's.

Hon. William Ward of Chester, Pa., is at the Riggs House.

J. B. White of Pittsburg, Pa., is at Willard's.

E. C. Spencer Stanhope of England is at the Riggs House.

Edward P