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NEW DISTRICT BRIDGES.

The recent report of Major Hains on the Long Bridge and Aqueduct Bridge makes very plain—plainer, perhaps, than ever before—the necessity for such radical modifications in the character of these antiquated structures as practically amount to their replacement with bridges of modern and better design.

This necessity, it is needless to state, becomes more urgent year by year, as the bridges deteriorate in strength and safety from natural causes and grow less and less adapted to the purposes for which they were originally built. Changed conditions demand entirely changed constructions.

The improvements of the harbor now in progress, by enlarging facilities for commerce may reasonably be expected to bring about a new era in the trade both of Washington and Georgetown. Major Hains shows conclusively that the bridges as they now stand are not only an obstruction to navigation, but to a certain extent an obstacle to the completion of the improvements proposed; also, that the Long bridge especially, by reason of its faulty plan and location, is becoming more and more liable to damage and possible destruction by freshets.

There is another important consideration that ought not to be overlooked. The erection of a new bridge at this point or near by is virtually a part of the elaborate system of improvements which has been inaugurated and upon which considerable money has already been expended, with the joint object of beautifying the city, enhancing its sanitary welfare and promoting the commercial value of the harbor. The time is but a few years distant when the reclaimed flats will be converted into a picturesque adornment of the National Capital with approaches of a similarly attractive character. Public taste as well as public policy will therefore require the removal of the unsightly river crossing, which even now defaces the landscape, and the substitution of a bridge more in keeping with the symmetry of its surroundings and at the same time equal to the constantly increasing demands of travel and traffic.

Certainly, the new bridge which is to span the Potomac here, the chief connecting link between the sections in the railway system of the Atlantic States, should be a massive and permanent structure and also of an architectural beauty to correspond with the other magnificent improvements that, as it were, lead up to this great thoroughfare. It is not to be the bridge of a decade or a generation, but for all time, and the country which is watching with just pride the progress of the works under charge of Major Hains, by which such wonderful benefits and transformations are to be wrought, will complain of no expenditure that may be deemed essential to the proper reconstruction of both the bridges named.

It is a matter in which the residents of the District of Columbia are not alone concerned. It is of consequence to every one who visits the District, to all who have to do with our transportation and maritime interests, to citizens of the country generally who, feeling a certain sense of proprietorship in the seat of government, naturally desire its rapid and substantial advancement in all the attributes of a great Capital.

THE MEXICAN TREATY.

"The manufacturers of this country and all interested in the extension of trade with Mexico are looking with interest for the favorable action of Congress on the reciprocity treaty," says the *Comercio del Valle* of St. Louis. The same paper notes that the Mexican Commercial Exchange of that city will ship several carloads of goods from St. Louis to Mexico during the coming month. It also calls attention to the fact that the completion of the Mexican National Railway, for which means have been secured, will shorten the distance about 600 miles between St. Louis and the Mexican capital, and make a difference of two days in time over the El Paso route.

The President in his message expresses the hope that as the reciprocity convention, so important to the commercial welfare of the two adjoining countries, has been constitutionally confirmed by the treaty-making branch, the legislation needed to make it effective may not long be delayed.

We see no reason why it should be, but when the question comes up again in the House there will probably be found substantially the same opposition that has been so often experienced before whenever legislation is attempted in the direction of reciprocal trade with neighboring countries. It is to be hoped, however, that no single local interest in Louisiana, or elsewhere, will be permitted to further blockade a measure fraught with so many advantages to the general welfare as the Mexican treaty unquestionably is. Majorities must rule.

THE Chicago *News* says that John Finerty, who has a very good wit and an excellent capacity for talking sense in an attractive manner, has, like the cable cars over the Brooklyn bridge, "lost his grip." The *News* says that he has almost sunk out of sight. Mr. Finerty certainly had a somewhat brilliant career for a time. He organized the Irish National Convention in Chicago and started a paper there in advocacy of the cause of Ireland, which was very successful. He then came to Washington, but from the date of his entering the House of Representatives there seems to have been an ebb tide in his affairs. His course in Congress did not please two classes of his former adherents and they practically retired him. It is said that his paper has lost a good deal of ground among the Irish-Americans. Yet Finerty is a young man, and will doubtless "catch on" again in some sphere better suited to his abilities.

THE most surprising change which Newspaper Row has witnessed this winter is the transfer of the Washington bureau and correspondence of the Chicago *Tribune* from the supervision of Mr. E. B. Wight to that of two members of the *Tribune's* local force from Chicago. For twelve or fifteen years Mr. Wight has held a place in the very foremost rank of Washington correspondents, and his dispatches have presented as complete and valuable a digest of national affairs as has gone out over the wires. The change is a subject of deep regret among the journalistic fraternity. Mr. Wight continues the service of the Boston *Journal* and New York *Evening Post*.

THE Czar is going to reinstate Prince Alexander in his former rank of a colonel in the Russian army, and the Czar's representative at the next meeting of the Balkan conference will favor the recognition of the Bulgarian-Roumelian alliance. This making up to Prince Alexander by Russia and the large purchases of arms by the latter does not tend to a peaceful outlook in the East. And the most concerned man of all of them about these things is the Sultan, who knows so well how hungry the Russian Bear is for territorial accessions toward the Bosphorus.

A SOLDIER of the Sixteenth Infantry at Fort McIntosh, Texas, has been tried and sentenced by a general court-martial to be dishonorably discharged from the service, to forfeit all the pay and allowances due him and to two years at hard labor at the Fort Leavenworth military prison, for stealing three chickens from a Mexican. This seems to be decidedly rough, as Judge Snell usually gives only fifteen days for a little thing like that. Yet some folks wonder there should ever be such a thing as desertion from the army.

MR. LAWRENCE BARRETT appeared for the first time last evening in Victor Hugo's "Hernani," at the Chestnut Street Opera-House, Philadelphia, and appears to have achieved a decided success, though the audience is said to have been carried away more by the tragic force of the play than by any uncommonly tragic power of its action. We doubt if Mr. Barrett succeeded in "electrifying" the house, as one of the reports has it. It is seldom that his scholarly portrayals rise to a magnetic altitude.

SENATOR PAYNE vigorously denies that he has made any attack upon the President on account of certain Ohio appointments. It was scarcely necessary to deny the imputation. The Democrat who contemplates an attack upon the Administration has not yet materialized. A Democratic administration is about the best thing a Democratic politician can find to tie to. If he doesn't find anchorage there he will certainly go adrift.

THE New York *Star* favors the election of postmasters by the people, as "in thorough harmony with Democratic ideas." It certainly is. A great many people and a great many newspapers on both sides of the political fence are of the same way of thinking. We haven't much doubt but what the First Assistant Postmaster-General would give the loudest of all amens to the proposed change.

THE portraits of Mr. Evarts which a New York literary bureau is distributing throughout the country are symptomatic of a Presidential boom in the Senator's behalf. His friends need to be cautioned. There are very few young and tender booms that can stand the wear and tear of three years' buffeting with a cold, unfeeling world.

IN THE French Chamber of Deputies yesterday during the balloting, which resulted in the re-election of President Grevy, a member of the right and a member of the left came to blows. It is to be presumed that they struck out according to their political nomenclature—one with his right and the other with his left.

THIS is the seventy-sixth anniversary of the birthday of the Right Honorable W. E. Gladstone, and he is receiving hundreds of congratulations. Birthdays are times for making good resolutions. Now let Mr. Gladstone resolve to-day that he will give Home Rule to Ireland.

The Extreme Colorado View.

Ex-Senator Chaffee of Colorado told a *Tribune* reporter the other day that he would like to see silver certificates take the place of the outstanding $346,000,000 of greenbacks. He says that, admitting the silver dollar to be worth only eighty cents, the country would be eighty cents on the dollar better off with $346,000,000 of silver certificates outstanding than with the same amount of fiat dollars. The Senator represents the extreme silver view of the Rocky Mountain region.

MATERNITY.

I hold two dainty little feet
Clasped in my warm and loving hand;
So soft and pink, they sure must be
Two rose-leaves blown from fairy-land.

I hold a wee and helpless form
Pressed closely to my happy heart—
Why, baby!—mine by right divine—
The right of pain—a mother's part.

Oh! beauteous life! so fair and new,
That yesterday was blent with mine!
Oh! wondrous soul! so lately sprung
A sparklet from the Source Divine!

God's priceless gift, you come to me
Embodied in this little form;
My soul accepts its happiness
As flowers the sunshine soft and warm.

My brow seems decked by coronet,
The fairest earth has ever seen—
The diadem of motherhood—
'Tis Nature's hand that crowns me queen.

What realms are opened to my sight!
I tread the regions of the blest;
And all because this little form
Lies fair and helpless on my breast.

A tiny bud, whose flower complete
May bloom to bless my waning years.
Oh! motherhood! you hold a bliss
That best may be expressed in tears.

—[Carrie Stevens Walker, in the San Francisco Ingleside.

NOTES AND GOSSIP.

REV. HENRY WARD BEECHER has asked to be excused from keeping "open house" on New Year's Day.

PROBATE JUDGE RICHARD A. WHEELER of Stonington, Conn., has written 450 wills, and not one of them, it is said, has ever been broken.

GEORGE J. DENNIS of Los Angeles, Cal., recently married Miss Alberta Johnston, a daughter of Albert Sidney Johnston, the famous Confederate general who was killed at Shiloh.

HENRY LARKIN, who was for ten years the assistant of the late Thomas Carlyle in his literary work, is about to publish a volume, entitled "Carlyle and the Open Secret of his Life."

MRS. ELLIOT F. SHEPARD, daughter of the late William H. Vanderbilt, arrived in New York yesterday on the steamship Servia, her presence being necessary to the probate of her father's will.

PAGE M. BAKER, editor of the New Orleans *Times-Democrat*, and spoken of in connection with the Central American mission, is a nephew of Sir Samuel Baker, the African traveler and explorer.

AT THE last reported price of silver (40¼d.) the bullion value of the standard silver dollar is about 79.47c. The high rate of exchange makes its value in our exchanges somewhat higher.—[Bradstreet's.

EDWARD SLOCUM of New Richmond, Alleghany County, Mich., owns the first greenback issued. It is a dollar bill, bears date August 1, 1862, is marked series A, No 1, and was paid out to him as a Union soldier.

STATE SENATOR ROBB of New York has arrived in France, where he will study the workings of the forestry laws. The French Government has promised to afford him every facility for accomplishing his purpose.

DR. SAMUEL A. HARRISON of Woolstock, Md., near Easton, will sail for Europe about the 20th of January, and will spend four months or more abroad. Dr. Harrison is an original investigator in matters pertaining to the history of Maryland.

IT IS stated that "Chief Justice Waite has worn out five satin robes since he took his seat on the bench." If he were to put a cushion on the bench his clothes wouldn't wear out so fast, and he would find the seat much more comfortable.—[Norristown Herald.

GENERAL LE DUC, ex-Commissioner of Agriculture, resides on a homestead near Pierre, in Southern Dakota, and is said to be interesting himself in a scheme for introducing in the West the fruits of North Germany and Russia. Tea and sorghum are no longer his pets.

CHARLES SPRAGUE of New York claims to have been the youngest soldier in the Union army. He was born in 1850 and enlisted in 1864, passing for nineteen when he was only fourteen. He served in the Ninety-fifth New York Volunteers till the close of the war and received an honorable discharge as a private soldier.

Undress at the Opera.

Says a New York letter to the Boston *Saturday Gazette*: Society is very much aroused over the appearance of a certain well-known lady at her box at the Metropolitan Opera-House the other night. She wore her dress very low in the neck and with simple straps across the shoulders, and the color of her waist material she got as near a flesh tint as could be found, so that at a little distance it was impossible to see any dividing line. As she sat in her box the effect was startling and every opera-glass in the house was levelled at her, while the men in the audience who knew her hastened, between the acts, as a committee of investigation to see what it was she had on or had off. The effect produced by her dressing was exactly what she wanted, and yet she is a young woman, a married woman, a mother and not an immodest woman. If a man should accidentally see her with the waist of her dress off, though she wore a high-necked underwaist, she would be ready to faint; and yet she would sit in her box at the opera showing as much of her flesh as she dared and with the avowed intention of looking as though she was undressed. I don't know what it is that makes women do these things, unless it is the love for social notoriety. They seem to want to do something to break the monotony of ordinary social life, and rack their poor brains for some novelty in dress or some eccentricity that will make them more talked about than their friends.

Mr. Vest's Advice to a New Senator.

Says the Washington correspondent of the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*: "Senator Berry of Arkansas will be joined by Mrs. Berry after the holidays. When the Senator came on to take his seat Colonel Dave Caruth of St. Louis, who is an intimate personal friend of Mr. Berry, wrote to Senator Vest, requesting him, as a personal favor, to take care of the new Senator. Judge Rogers of the Arkansas delegation tells how the Missourian discharged the trust. When the new Senator appeared Mr. Vest approached him and said: 'Berry, Dave Caruth writes me to take care of you. All I've got to say to you is to bring on your family and keep them with you. If you don't, in six months you won't be worth a d—n.' That was the sum total of Mr. Vest's advice; but Judge Rogers says it was the very best that could be given."

The Supreme Court Libeled.

According to Justice Miller, the story which has been going the rounds recently about a bar-room in some of the mysterious recesses of the Supreme Court room is a wicked and absurd falsehood. He recently said to a correspondent: "There is a tradition that in olden times there used to be a black bottle in the closet of the room where we hung our overcoats and put on our robes, but there has never been any such thing in my time, and I have never seen any of my associates drinking. If any of the employes keep liquor about the place and Judge Waite finds it out he will make short work of them. I am not a total abstinence man myself and now and then I like a glass of good whisky; but as for any of the justices being in the habit of drinking about the court-room or having a sideboard there, it is as silly as it is untrue."

The Cane Craze.

The latest craze which has struck the Washington belle is the carrying of canes. A few weeks ago a young leader in society returned from England, and the next day she surprised her friends by appearing on the street with a cane. It wasn't the ordinary dude cane, but a nice little stick with a shepherd's crook of hammered silver. Sometimes she swung it and at other times she struck the ground with a sharp rap. There is no question but that this created a sensation, but there is a great deal of difference of opinion as to whether the craze will strike in or not. So far not more than half a dozen girls have mustered up courage enough to appear on the street with canes.—[Boston Traveller.

Congressmen to Visit New England.

Senators Edmunds, Evarts, Allison, Morgan and Voorhees, and Representatives Randall, Holman, Tucker, Butterworth, Reagan, McKinley, Findlay, Willis, Hepburn and Goff left this afternoon for Boston as guests of the Merchants' Association. The banquet by the association will take place to-morrow evening at the Hotel Vendome. The number of guests will be 300. They will be taken to Lawrence on Thursday to inspect the Pacific mill, belonging to ex-Congressman Russell, the largest manufactory in New England, and will be given a reception at the opera house. They will return on Friday.

A Novel Purchase.

The United States Government yesterday made a somewhat novel purchase of real estate, which consisted of a subterranean tract fifteen feet wide for the Washington Aqueduct extension. Wm. C. Hill received $771.10 for granting the right of way under his property, lots 5 and 6, block 3, Meridian Hill, and Elias Duffy received $152 for granting the same privilege under lot 48, block 127.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

A MEETING of the Stockholders of the Washington & Georgetown Railroad Company for the election of directors will be held at the office of the company, Georgetown, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of January, 1886.

The polls will be opened at 10 a. m. and closed at 12 m. Transfer books will be closed on the 6th of January, 1886, and opened on January 14, 1886.

H. HURT, President.
C. M. KOONES, Secretary.

DR. S. C. BUSEY,
Has removed to 1549 1 st n w, northeast corner of 16th and I sts.

NATIONAL Metropolitan Fire Insurance Company of the District of Columbia—The annual meeting of the National Metropolitan Fire Insurance Company of the D. C. will be held at the office of the company, 916 Pa. ave., at 12 o'clock on the second Monday, being the 11th day of January, 1886, for the choice of nine directors for the ensuing year.

SAMUEL CROSS,
Secretary.

FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY,
Office, new building, corner 7th st. and La. ave. n. w.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22, 1885.
The stockholders of the Firemen's Ins. Co. of Washington and Georgetown will meet at this office on Monday, January 4, 1886, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 m. for the purpose of electing thirteen directors for the ensuing year.

C. W. HOWARD,
Secretary.

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LUDWIG HANSEN,
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WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21, 1885.
A semi-annual dividend of TWO DOLLARS per share has been declared from the earnings of the company upon the capital stock to January 1, 1886, payable at the Central National Bank, January 5, 1886.

The books for the transfer of stock will be closed by the treasurer on December 28, 1885, and remain closed until January 5, 1886.

By order of the Board of Directors.

SAMUEL NORMENT, President,
WILLIAM DICKSON, Secretary.
SEYMOUR W. TULLOCH, Treasurer.

WASHINGTON MARKET CO.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Washington Market Company will be held at the office of the company, in Centre Market, in the city of Washington, at 12 o'clock on the FIRST MONDAY, being the 4TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1886, for the choice of thirteen directors for the ensuing year, and to act on any other subject within the powers of the corporation.

S. W. CURRIDEN,
Secretary.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21, 1885.

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J. WESLEY BOTELER,
Secretary.

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2100 H st n w, 10 rs	83 33
1512 P st n w, 11 rs	70 00
1748 N st n w, 10 rs	65 00
2016 Hillyer Place n w, 10 rs	60 00
602 21st st, 14 rs, m l	60 00
2151 K st, 8 rs	50 00
1124 Conn ave, 9 rs	45 00
1704 19th st, 11 rs	83 33
910 19th st, 15 rs	70 00
230 1st st, 6 rs	16 50
1745 S st n w, 7 rs	30 00
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Brick house, A st, near Capitol	$7,000
3 brick houses, Vt ave, bet T and W sts	$3,350 to $3,650
4 brick houses, 15th street, bet Q and R	$8,500 to $9,500
2 brick houses, P street, bet 8th and 10th, each	$5,000
Brick house, B st n e, bet 10th and 12th	$2,600
Brick house, 19th st, bet P and Q	$13,000
Brick house, M st, bet 18th and 20th	$18,000
2 brick houses, O st, bet 11th and 13th, each	$10,000
Brick house, P st n w, bet 5th and 7th	$10,000
Brick house, D st, bet 2d and 3d n w	$6,000
Brick house, Corcoran st, bet 11th and 12th	$6,000
Brick house, 13½ st s w, near Smithsonian Institute	$7,000
5 brick houses, 28th st	$5,500 to $7,000
Brick house, 6th and I n w	$10,000
3 brick houses, 13th st, near T n w	$5,500
Large double house, Mass ave, bet 12th st and Thomas Circle	$70,000
2 brick houses, P st, bet 6th and 7th, sts	$4,200 and $4,500
Large house, near Scott Circle	$125,000
2 brick houses, B st n e, bet 6th and 7th, each	$3,300
Brick house, 14th st, near Agricultural Dept	$4,000
House and corner lot on Conn ave, suitable for fine building	$13,500
Brick house, P st, near 18th	$11,000
Brick house, L st, bet 20th and 22d	$6,500
Brick house, M st, bet 10th and 11th, with stable	$20,000
Brick house, cor 17th and R	$8,000
Frame cottage, large lot, T st, near N H ave	$4,000
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Brick house, 10th st s e, bet F and G	$2,000
2 brick houses, Riggs st, each	$5,500
Brick house, cor Riggs and 13th	$12,000
Brick house, Vt ave, bet K and L sts	$35,000
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