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GOVERNMENT GOSSIP.

Events of Interest In and About the Departments.

THE PRESIDENT'S CALLERS.

Clerks in the Quartermaster-General's Office to be First Examined.

An Ice Contract Awarded.—The contract for furnishing the Interior Department with ice for the next fiscal year was to-day awarded to the Great Falls Ice Company, at 33 cents per hundred.

The Interior Department Towels.—Bids for washing the Interior Department towels were opened to-day. The lowest bidder was the Portland Steam Laundry, at 35c. per hundred. The contract will be awarded to-morrow.

The Eastern Branch Bridge.—The engineer board to consider questions pertaining to the proposed Eastern Branch bridge expects to complete its labors and formulate its report this afternoon. It is understood that the recommendations of Colonel Haine are sustained.

The Garrison at Fort Myer.—General Sheridan has selected Major Lewis H. Carpenter of the Fifth Cavalry as the commanding officer at Fort Myer, and designated Company B, Fourth Cavalry, and Company B, Sixth Cavalry, as the garrison of the new cavalry post overlooking this city.

The Order Must Stand.—The President has refused to modify his recent order reorganizing internal revenue districts. He has agreed to two changes, however, in the assignment of collectors. Kerr Craig was to-day appointed collector for the Fifth North Carolina and A. H. Kulhemeier for the Fourth Iowa district.

Examinations for Promotion.—The Civil-Service Commission has approved the questions proposed for examinations for promotion in the Surgeon-General's office, but has directed that these examinations be postponed until the clerks in the Quartermaster-General's office have been examined. The questions for the latter bureau have been submitted and partially approved by the Commission.

What an Office Cat Did.—The guardians of the stamp vaults of the Internal Revenue Bureau have been justly proud of the fact that no stamps have ever been destroyed or lost. To-day the record was broken and the vigilance of the guards evaded by the office cat. The cat got into the vault this morning and got into a box of snuff stamps, of which it tore and otherwise injured forty sheets.

Callers at the White House.—Among the President's callers to-day were Senators Call and Pugh, Representatives Holman, Hatch and Randall, Commissioner Morrison, Comptroller Trenholm, ex-Representative Hopkins of Pennsylvania, Recorder Clagett, Assistant Postmaster-General Knott, Chairman Carlton of the Utah Commission, Judge Cothran of Chicago, Mrs. Belva Lockwood, and Collector Bishop of Cincinnati.

The Proposed Cruiser.—The report of the board to select designs for the proposed 6,000-ton naval vessels has reported in favor of the adoption of the design submitted by the Barrow ship-building company of England for the armored battle-ship. None of the plans for the other vessel are satisfactory. None of the competitive plans for the cruiser being acceptable, the design by the Naval Bureau of Construction will probably be adopted.

Condition of the Naval Academy.—The report of the board of visitors to the Naval Academy states that the institution is in excellent condition in every respect. It is recommended that cadets be regularly mustered into service upon their admission to the academy and made subject to the articles of war. The academic board should have power to pass upon the physical as well as intellectual qualifications of candidates for admission. Cadets who are not to be retained in the service should not be sent upon the two years' cruise. The purchase of a tract of land for gas works for the academy is recommended. Repairs to some of the buildings are needed.

A Cadet's Punishment.—Judge Evans of Illinois called on the President yesterday and had a very satisfactory interview. He is the father of the West Point cadet of this year's graduating class who is under discipline for insubordination. Young Evans was bedored by a lieutenant who is well known for his overbearing manners, and finally the young man went to him privately and told him that he had treated him in a very ungentlemanly manner, and he (Evans) would be obliged to him to change his manner. Thereupon the cadet was tried and convicted of insubordination and sentenced to lose all his privileges until August. He was graduated, but cannot receive his diploma or commission until August 28. The President has been appealed to to remit the penalty so far as it has not yet been executed, and he probably will do so.

Minor and Personal.

One new case of yellow fever is reported from Key West.

Bids have been opened at the Treasury for stationery supplies for the next fiscal year. There are thirty-nine bidders.

The Chestnut Street National Bank of Philadelphia has been authorized to commence business with ex-Governor Pattison as president.

The President yesterday appointed Henry S. Lubbock of California to be supervising inspector of steam vessels at San Francisco. Hyman Abraham of Oregon to be collector of customs at Willamette, Oregon.

Officials and Their Outings.

Chief Clerk Clay of the Department of Justice will probably devote an autumnal month to hunting, as usual.

Mr. George W. Rouzer, assistant to the Superintendent of the State, War and Navy Department building, has taken summer quarters for his family at Forest Glen.

Chief Clerk Hogg of the Navy Department has not decided to take any vacation this summer.

Chief Clerk Youmans of the Treasury will spend his leave in New York State.

Chief Clerk Brown of the State Department will spend his summer vacation, as usual, at his family homestead on one of the lakes in Northern New York.

Chief Clerk Tweedale will not take his vacation until Secretary Endicott goes away for the summer.

Mr. Jay Stone, chief of the Correspondence Division, War Department, will spend the summer at Forest Glen.

Killed by an Explosion.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., June 15.—Imperfect details of the dynamite explosion at the Inman Iron Mines, twenty-five miles from this city, say that eleven convicts were killed or injured. Two charges of dynamite had been placed, and one of them prematurely exploded while a gang of convicts were unearthing it. Three convicts were killed outright and eight others were seriously injured. Many of the injured have since had limbs amputated.

—MR. HENDON MOSSELL, late of the Ideals, is in the city.

SOCIAL AND SEMI-SOCIAL.

The family of Secretary Endicott will be in Boston to-morrow to attend the wedding of Miss Martha Peabody, a niece of Mrs. Endicott.

Judge and Mrs. Durham give a tea next Friday in honor of the anniversary of their marriage. All the officers and clerks of the Comptroller's Office have been invited.

Mr. J. McKee Borden and Miss Alice C. Lauck were married yesterday morning by Dr. Bartlett at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church and left on the 11 o'clock train for Philadelphia.

Among recent arrivals at the Hygeia Hotel, Old Point Comfort from Washington were R. A. Parke, Wm. S. Roose, J. J. McCallum, A. T. McCallum, T. W. Tyrer, wife and daughter, D. S. Kletsch, Wm. E. Thompson, wife and son; S. Ward, F. H. Ward, M. Summerville, R. Rush, Mr. Gilsie, F. J. Brown and wife, H. C. Tracy and wife.

Miss Alice Churchill, daughter of Justice John C. Churchill of the New York Supreme Court, gives a lunch at Oswego today in honor of Mrs. Cleveland, and the latter is also to meet a literary club at the residence of Rev. William Parker of Christ Church. To-morrow evening Mrs. Cleveland is to attend a whist party given by Mr. T. F. Kingsford.

The marriage of Mr. W. Hollingsworth Whyte of Baltimore, son of Hon. William Pinkney Whyte, to Miss Caroline Fairman Hartshorne of West Chester, Pa., takes place at West Chester, Pa., this afternoon. Ex-Governor Whyte will be present.

General and Mrs. Beale have gone to Long Branch.

Henry K. Willard, wife and daughter, will go to Nantucket.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. McGuire will leave next month for the Warm Springs, Va., where they will spend the remainder of the summer.

General Jackson, ex-Minister to Mexico, and E. P. C. Lewis, Minister to Portugal, have cottages at Capon Springs, W. Va.

Mrs. Cayetano Romero of the Mexican legation, Miss Eva Romero, Mr. C. Romero, jr., and five children will leave next Wednesday morning for a three months' stay at the Capon Springs, W. Va., their usual summering place. Senor C. Romero, first secretary of the legation, will have to remain in the city most of the summer, being charge d'affaires during the absence of his brother, the Minister, who is in Europe.

In connection with the election of Mr. Chandler, attention is called by a New York *Herald* correspondent to the singular coincidence of names and official titles which have been shared in by two prominent families of Hales and Chandlers, and to intermarriages which have occurred between two Hale families and two Chandler families, those of the same name having no tie of blood. The wife of ex-Secretary and Senator Wm. E. Chandler of New Hampshire is the daughter of the late Senator John P. Hale of that State, while the daughter of the late Senator and Secretary of the Interior, Zachariah Chandler of Michigan, is the wife of Senator Eugene Hale of Maine. As the wives of Senators from adjoining States Mrs. Eugene Hale and Mrs. Wm. E. Chandler will meet in Washington society next winter just as they first met there years ago when each was a Senator's daughter from States nearly half the width of our continent apart.

Mr. Randolph Latimer Morris of Richmond, Va., and Miss Charlianna Dickinson, daughter of Colonel Andrew G. Dickinson, were married in New York last evening. The bride was attended by her only sister, Miss Fanny Dickinson, and by Miss Estelle Coleman of Vicksburg, Miss., a cousin, and Miss Sophie Steele of Staten Island, as bridesmaids. Mr. James R. Ellerson of Richmond, Va., was the best man. Andrew G. Dickinson, jr., and Lieutenant Eugene Loveridge, United States Army, were the ushers.

Lieutenant Irving Hale of the Corps of Engineers and Miss Mary King, daughter of Major W. H. King, commandant of the Engineer Corps at Willet's Point, were married yesterday by Rev. James King, an uncle of the bride. The bride wore a gown of white satin, trimmed with point lace and caught at the throat by a diamond butterfly. After a few days the couple will go to Colorado to visit Mr. Hale's father and mother. Among those present were Captain and Mrs. McGuire, Lieutenant and Mrs. Babbitt, Lieutenant and Mrs. Kessler, General Joseph Wheeler, Congressman from Alabama; General Abbott, Colonel and Albert Bass, Colonel and Mrs. Mercur, Captain and Mrs. Price, Quartermaster-General and Mrs. Hodges, General McFarlane, Lieutenant and Mrs. Bergland, Dr. and Mrs. Happersatt, U. S. A.

Mrs. General Myers, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Bunyes, Miss Cora Rice and Miss Fanny Washington, who went over in a party to Atlantic City to hear what the "wild waves were saying," the first of the month, have returned to town again highly delighted with their visit. While wrestling with Old Neptune Miss Rice was caught in his arms and carried out of the reach of her bathing companions, but being something of a swimmer she "bobbed up serenely" on shore only a little out of breath by the "ducking" she encountered in her tussle with the waves.

General Beverly Robertson is in training for the morning germans at the Greenbrier White Sulphur.

THE LOGAN GUARD.

A Dispute About the Presence of the Soldiers.

Dr. Buck, the venerable rector of the Ancient Church, adjoining the Rock Creek Cemetery, where the remains of General Logan temporarily lie, has been so much annoyed by the military guard over the tomb of the General that he threatens to have the soldiers kept out of the cemetery. Mrs. Logan is much grieved over the matter, and says that if the guard is removed she will have the remains of her late husband brought to her home and deposited in what is to be a memorial hall until the State of Illinois is ready to receive them.

The military authorities will maintain the guard, as Mrs. Logan desires.

THE ARMY AND NAVY.

The North Atlantic squadron arrived at New Haven this morning.

Surgeon J. M. Flint has been ordered to special duty at the Fish Commission office in this city.

First Lieutenant Charles B. Gatewood, Sixth Cavalry, aide-de-camp to General Miles, has been ordered to Fort Grant and San Carlos Indian Agency, Arizona, under special instructions.

Captain John H. Dorst, Fourth Cavalry, has been placed by General Miles on the board to inspect and purchase horses for the cavalry regiments serving in the Department of Arizona.

Sergeant Bartholomew Riolender, Battery L, Second Artillery, who is stationed at Jacksonville, Florida, has been granted four months' leave by Major General Schofield, with permission to go abroad.

Army Leaves.—Major George W. Baird, paymaster, until June 19. Captain Daniel T. Wells, Eighth Infantry, twenty-seven days. First Lieutenant Henry P. Kendall, Eighth Cavalry, two months from August 1, next.

Paymaster William J. Thomson, U. S. Navy, who has just returned to his home near Baltimore from a three years' cruise in the Pacific (Lackawanna and Mohican), was accompanied home by his brother, Mr. Frank P. Thomson, who was his pay clerk on both of the vessels in which he served. In the Mohican he made the cruise to the Tonga Group of the South Sea Islands, where the prehistoric statues was procured for the Smithsonian Institution here.

Dr. Hill has sold to Senator John Sherman 62,000 square feet of ground in square 732, H and Third streets northeast. The price was $21,000. Senator Sherman, who is already largely interested in East Washington property, proposes to shortly commence improvements on his latest purchase.

A Mexican mother of twenty-eight children has been pensioned by the Mexican Government.

AN EXTRA SESSION.

Why Congress Should be Convened at an Early Date.

MR. CARLISLE'S VIEWS.

Prompt Legislation Needed to Cut Down the Surplus.

THE SITUATION CRITICAL.

CINCINNATI, June 13.—Ex-Speaker Carlisle of Kentucky, being in the city to-day, was approached on the subject of an extra session, and expressed himself with great freedom upon this and the question of a reduction of taxation, with which it is intimately associated. He said:

"As soon as the 3 per cent. bonds are all paid money will begin to accumulate in the Treasury at the rate of not less than $10,000,000 per month, and, of course, the business of the country cannot stand such a strain for any great length of time. As long as we have bonds to pay the revenues received over and above the necessary expenditures of the Government can be legally and profitably used in discharging the indebtedness. But as soon as this condition of affairs is changed the Administration will be called upon to consider a question of the gravest importance to the whole country.

"Already chambers of commerce and other business organizations are becoming uneasy on account of the probable consequences of this threatened withdrawal of currency from circulation, and unless something is done to allay apprehensions we may have a monetary crisis or panic before the time for the regular meeting of Congress. I am sure the Administration will do all it can under the laws as they now exist to prevent the accumulation of large sums of money in the Treasury and keep it in circulation among the people, but it may find itself unable to do so without adopting a policy injurious to the Government itself, and in that event I think an extra session will be called for the purpose of securing an early reduction of the revenue."

"What can the Administration do to prevent the accumulation in the Treasury?"

"In the first place the Secretary of the Treasury has authority to use the surplus revenue in the purchase of unmatured bonds, but this could not be done without paying a high premium upon them, and would not be at all advisable, in my opinion, as a permanent policy. The authority should not be exercised beyond the actual necessities of the situation.

"In the second place the Secretary can designate additional national banks as public depositories, but they would afford a very small relief, because in order to secure the deposits, the banks are required by law to deliver United States bonds and other satisfactory securities to the Secretary and it is not probable that they will do this to a much greater extent hereafter than they have done heretofore.

"In my opinion the absolutely necessary thing to do is to reduce the revenue at the earliest possible moment. The only proper function of a treasury department is to collect and disburse the public money for public purposes, but as long as we have an enormous surplus revenue to be hoarded or paid out at the discretion of a Secretary, no matter how honest or how able he may be, the business of the country will be in constant danger of disturbance.

"This false financial and revenue system was not created by the present Administration or the Democratic party, and we are not responsible for it, but it exists and we have it to deal with as best we can under the circumstances."

"Do you think that Congress will reduce taxation at its next session?"

"I think it will. There are differences of opinion as to the manner in which the reduction ought to be made, and it is not probable that either side will get exactly what it wants, but if all will enter upon the consideration of the subject with a sincere desire to accomplish the best attainable results, there will be a substantial and beneficial reduction of taxation before the next session of Congress adjourns."

Among other things, Mr. Carlisle said: "I think Mr. Cleveland will be renominated and elected. There are many reasons for this opinion, but the principal one is that the present Administration has been honest, conservative and patriotic; the business of the country has been prosperous; the people have been contented and there is no good reason, so far as I can see, why there should be any attempt to make a change. He has the confidence of the business community." Mr. Carlisle thinks the Republicans will renominate Mr. Blaine.

CITIZENS IN SESSION.

Meeting of the Representative Committee of One Hundred.

The meeting of the Citizens' Representative Committee of One hundred at Masonic Temple last night was very largely attended. Mr. Reginald Fendall occupied the chair. The committee appointed reported in favor of seating as delegates from the eighth district W. J. Frizzell, S. A. Coombs, W. Scott Smith and two other delegates to be elected by residents of the eighth district, residing between Seventh street extended and Rock Creek.

The report of the committee on Rules was then taken up. The clause providing for the annual election of officers in May each year was changed to October.

The committee put itself on record as favoring "Georgetown" instead of "West Washington" by a vote of 40 to 20.

The rule providing for the creation from time to time of special executive committees of nine members each to present the views of the committee to the National and District authorities occupied most of the evening. Ross R. Perry moved to amend the last section of Rule 22 so as to prevent any local association or individual member of the Representative Committee of One Hundred from communicating individually with the authorities. This, he said, was to secure united action. He objected to committees from each organization visiting the public schools and examining scholars as to their proficiency. Judge Pelham insisted that such was a local right. A general and somewhat acrimonious discussion followed, in which Messrs. Perry, Barnard, Wilson, Pelham and others took part. Mr. Weller of East Washington said he represented a section of the city where there were 200 miles of unpaved streets and they wanted some relief. Finally the amendment of Mr. Perry was adopted. The committee then adjourned to meet on the first Tuesday in July.

Captain Johnson's Death.

Captain Andrew W. Johnson of the retired list of the navy died yesterday evening at the Metropolitan Hotel, where he had resided for years past. He was a native of this city, from which he was appointed in 1841 by President Tyler, and became a captain in the navy in April, 1874. His last command afloat was of the Powhatan, and his wrathful indignation at the implied slur upon him professionally led him to demand being placed on the retired list of the navy for his consecutive service for more than forty years. His retirement took effect February 11, 1884, but he would not have reached the compulsory age of retirement until February 23 next. The funeral services will take place to-morrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock from Epiphany Episcopal Church.

On Deck Again.

Mr. Camp, the veteran clerk in the Circuit Court, has not been at the City Hall for some little time past. He made his appearance to-day, however, and settled down at his desk like a man who meant to stay there.

"NOT A SCREW LOOSE."

Gen. Butterworth's Statement About His Telephone Company.

The committee constituted to examine into the affairs of the American Telephone Company held a meeting yesterday afternoon and closed its investigations last night, when a meeting of the board of directors was held and the following resolutions were adopted unanimously:

Whereas certain statements in relation to the American Telephone Company have been placed in circulation through the public press which may have shaken the confidence of some of those who have purchased stock of said company; and

Whereas said company proposes to prosecute its business with continued and renewed energy, yet in order that no one can have any cause of complaint against this company, it is therefore

Resolved, That the president and secretary are hereby instructed to at once notify in person all parties who have purchased any portion of the stock of this company that, if they so desire, the money paid by them will be refunded upon the presentation of their stock, properly indorsed, at the office of the company, 1420 F street northwest, Washington, D. C., within ten days from date of such notice, and the proper officers are authorized to make all payments made necessary by this resolution.

The secretary was instructed to prepare a circular letter to be sent to each subscriber to the stock tendering them the money they had paid into the company.

A SATISFACTORY INVESTIGATION.

"As soon as I heard of the bombshell explosion in the company," remarked General Butterworth, the president, to a CRITIC reporter this morning, "I returned from West Point, where I was a member of the Board of Visitors, and at once set about an investigation, which has been most thorough and satisfactory. There is not a screw loose anywhere. Any stockholder who wants his money back can have it. The integrity of the company is beyond question."

THE PROSPECTUS CONDEMNED.

"How about the statements in the prospectus?"

"I did not see the circular that was sent out. Had I been apprised of its contents, I should not have placed so florid a color upon it. While there were no positive misstatements, except the one in regard to the extension to thirty-five years having already been secured, the fact was published that the concession had been granted, when in reality it had not. But the error was a natural one for them to make. They had assurances it would be sent by the next steamer, as may be seen by referring to the letter of Dr. Gonzales attached to the prospectus. Still, the fact of a concession having been granted should not have been published until the proper papers were executed and placed in our possession."

TOO MUCH EXPECTED.

"The deductions in the circular in regard to the dividends should not have gone in. They were problematical, and I have not hoped for nor expected such rapid development. The full success of the company would be secured without any trace of such growth as that part of the circular suggests. I do not approve of the statement, and the fact that such hopes and expectations are put forth by new organizations does not render this nor those defensible. Truth and candor may plod, but they are most certain to get there."

"How about the Padron concession? Has that been canceled as reported?"

"As for the Padron concession, that is secure beyond any doubt. It has not been canceled. We have a right to the field in Venezuela, but not the exclusive right in the four cities. Padron has this concession. He would not have secured any grants or concessions unless he was a man who had the confidence of the government authorities. We are assured upon the highest authority that there are a greater number of telephones in Caracas than any other city of proportionate population on the globe. Venezuelans have since been offered much better terms than our company gave for our concession."

INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

An Important Hearing To-day—The Long and Short Haul Clause.

The Interstate Commerce Commission to-day heard arguments in the cases of complaints against the Chicago and Grand Trunk Railroad for selling 1,000-mile tickets to members of the Commercial Travelers' Association at lower rates than are offered to the general public.

The Chicago and Grand Trunk road was represented and defended by its counsel, Mr. E. W. Meddaugh and Mr. Ashley Pond appeared for the complainant, the Michigan Central Railroad. Mr. Larison was also present, and volunteered a statement in support of his complaint.

In regard to the suspension of the long and short haul clause there are said to be serious differences in the commission which it may be difficult to adjust before the 5th of July, when the period of temporary suspension expires. Messrs. Cooley and Morrison favor an enforcement of the law in its entirety, while Messrs. Schoonmaker, Bragg and Walker believe that the obnoxious clause should be permanently suspended.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

The Trustees Will Answer Questions from the Representative Committee.

The School Board held their regular meeting last night, with Trustees Darlington, Fish, Gregory, Curtis, Johnson, Witmer, Clark and Ross present. The board dispensed of the communication from Citizens' Association No. 4—the list of questions sent to the Commissioners—by the adoption of the following resolution, offered by Trustee Fish:

Resolved, That the communication from Citizens' Association No. 4, submitting a list of questions concerning the management of the public schools, be sent to the Citizens' Representative Committee, with request that any information of this character needed by our citizens be asked for in the manner prescribed by the constitution and by laws of the Citizens' Representative Committee, and when so requested the information will be promptly and cheerfully given by the trustees of the public schools.

A resolution was adopted concerning the insufficient appropriation for teachers' salaries, which will enable the board to keep within the appropriation by discontinuing temporarily the increase on $500 salaries for length of service.

The Committee on High and Normal Schools reported that the following scholarships have been awarded: Randall scholarship, course at Columbia University, to Wm. P. Blackford, King scholarship, course at Dickinson College, to Clara P. Ashley; Birney scholarship, course at Cornell University, to Harrison L. Stidham; scholarship for course in medical department, National University, to Charles M. Buchanan. There were were no applicants for the scholarships for courses in dental department of National and in Boston universities.

The consideration of the draft of new rules governing the public schools was deferred until the next meeting of the board, at which time the members of the board were requested to report the assignments of teachers for the ensuing year.

The commencement of the High and Normal schools was fixed for June 21, at 3 o'clock.

Bishop Adams' Credentials.

Rev. Theodore P. Barber, president of the standing committee of the Diocese of Easton, and the Rev. James A. Mitchell, secretary, arrived in Baltimore yesterday, and will to-day prepare the credentials of the Right Rev. Wm. F. Adams, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Easton, for forwarding to the Bishops and standing committees of the different dioceses in the country. The consent of a majority of the bishops and a majority of the standing committees will have to be obtained before the Bishop-elect can assume the oversight of his diocese.

Virginia State Convention.

RICHMOND, VA., June 15.—The Democratic Executive Committee to-day resolved to call a State Convention at Roanoke on August 4.

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT NEWS.

The Health Officer reports that the number of deaths last week was 86; white, 42, and colored, 44. The death rate for the colored population was 31.59 per 1,000 per annum, and it was not half so large for the white. The principal cause of death was: consumption, 14; diarrhœa, 6; diphtheria, 1; typhoid fever, 1; malarial fever, 1; scarlet fever, 1; pneumonia, 2; whooping cough, 1. There were 48 births; 29 white, and 19 colored. Sixteen marriages were reported.

The Commissioners have refused to register A. G. Curtin as a plumber. This action was taken on the recommendation of Chairman S. A. Robinson of the board appointed to examine applicants for registration under the recent act of Congress. Mr. Robinson reported that when Mr. Curtin appeared for examination he was not in a condition to be examined.

The Commissioners have dismissed Hugo Katte, the baker at the Washington Asylum, for leaving the institution without providing the usual amount of bread.

The Commissioners have adopted a new method of laying patches of asphalt pavements that have been cut for public improvements. Heretofore a hydraulic cement base was laid before the asphalt was put on. On the recommendation of Captain Griffin the Commissioners have decided to abandon the cement base and fill up the opening entirely with concrete, because it makes a better joint and is cheaper.

The contract for improving the Bladensburg road has been awarded to Tatty and Joyce. The cost will be $20,650.90. P. Maloney has been given the contract for improving B street, from Fifth street to North Carolina avenue, and his contracts for improving A, between Sixth and Seventh streets southeast, and Third, from Pennsylvania avenue to C street, have been transferred to Major Cranford.

The Commissioners have accepted the proposal of Edwards & Co. to furnish a portable pumping engine to the Water Department for $1,070.45.

Henry Smead has been awarded the contract to put the dry-closet system into the Peabody, Garnett, Henry and Abbott school buildings.

An order was made to-day by the Commissioners furnishing the General Inspector of Streets with a horse and buggy.

Commissioner Ludlow has completed his plans for the sewers to drain Mount Pleasant and the region between it and Le Droit Park and the villages of Anacostia.

The Commissioners will require the street railway companies to pave between their inside tracks with asphalt block.

There were seventy bidders at the Commissioners' office to-day to submit proposals for furnishing general supplies, school books, merits, etc.

SPORTS OF THE SEASON.

The Monumentals were defeated yesterday for the first time this season by the Pension Office by the following score:

Pension Office....	0	2	3	4	2	0	0	1	x—12
Monumentals....	1	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0—6

Basehits—Pension Office, 13; Monumentals, 9. Errors—Pension Office, 7; Monumentals, 14.

Baseball Personalities.

A bet of $100 even has been made in New York that the New Yorks either get first or second place.

Says McCormick: "A fine hod-carrier was spoiled when Grace Pearce was appointed umpire."

Corkhill of the Cincinnatis has not dropped a fly this season.

It was rumored in New York Saturday night that Manager Gaffney had suspended Dupee Shaw for the rest of the season without pay. No cause was assigned for the suspension, but it was doubtless due to the fact that Gaffney did not believe Shaw did his best while in the box against the Giants.—[Boston Globe.

Ward and Gore took off their shoes and played in their stocking feet in Philadelphia the other day. They got a better grip on the slippery ground that way.

Jerry Denny, by a special dispensation, was given both degrees in Indianapolis Lodge, No. 13, B. P. O. Elks, on Sunday night last. Glasscock and Pfeffer were present and ably assisted in the impressive ceremonies.

McCormick has now pitched in three consecutive victories. He has undoubtedly regained his old pitching form.

Sam Crane, recently released by Washington, has joined the Kansas City team.

Miller of the Pittsburgs has caught more games than any other League catcher.

There was a great time in Baltimore yesterday. The home team got away with St. Louis, and 15,000 people saw them do it.

The New York-Philadelphia game yesterday was a battle between pitchers, and young Mattimore defeated the veteran Buffinton. Score, 5 to 2.

Superb fielding won for Boston the game with Washington. Our boys made but 9 errors, not 11 and 12, as given by the local morning papers.

Pittsburg played a listless though not a bad game, and Detroit won easily.

Merrison was very wild, and Chicago easily defeated the Hoosiers.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—COMMISSIONER LYMAN leaves to-day for Troy, N. Y., to organize the local civil service board.

—JOHN G. MOORE, the New York broker, sails for Europe to-day to spend the summer in recreation.

—CONGRESSMAN S. V. WHITE of Brooklyn has received the degree of LL. D. from Knox College, Ill.

—QUITE a large party of gentlemen leave to-night for Coney Island to see the Suburban run Saturday.

—PRESIDENT GARRETT of the B. & O. is making a tour of inspection over the Philadelphia division of his road.

—EX-CONGRESSMAN ROBERT M. MATO of Virginia is in Baltimore for several days, his health being quite restored.

—MR. GEORGE DE SHIELDS, the proprietor of the hotels at Deer Park and Oakland, Md., is in the city for a few days.

—MR. Z. L. WHITE, the correspondent, who is quite ill in New York, was much better last evening and will probably recover.

—EX-SECRETARY MANNING presided for the first time yesterday at a meeting of the directors of the Western National Bank, New York.

—REGISTERED in New York yesterday: J. C. Bancroft Davis of Washington at the Brevoort and Congressman Whiting of Massachusetts at the Fifth Avenue.

—R. A. PARKE, who has been camping out with a party of Washington gentlemen at Revel's Island, on the Atlantic coast, returned to the city this morning. He reports the party all well.

—COLONEL J. MCH. HOLLINGSWORTH, so well known as the former superintendent at Mount Vernon and a very popular gentleman, will to-day assume management of the hotel at Colonial Beach.

—MR. JAMES R. WOOD, general passenger agent, and Mr. John Scott, general solicitor of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and Henry Monett, general passenger agent of the New York Central, are located at the Ebbitt House. The gentlemen will appear before the Interstate Commerce Commission to-morrow.

—AMONG the degrees conferred by Johns Hopkins University yesterday were those of Ph. D. to Henry Gustav Beyer of this city in biology and William Adam Hedrick of Georgetown in chemistry. Robert William Henry Weech of this city was also admitted to the degree of A. B.

—THE BOWEN Fourth of July celebration at Woodstock, Conn., will be held as usual. Among the speakers announced are Senator Harrison of Indiana, Rev. Wm. W. Patton, president of Howard University, ex-Secretary Windom, Senator Allison of Iowa, Congressman Long of Massachusetts; and ex-Congressman Buck of Connecticut.

THE PANIC IN WHEAT.

A Better Feeling in Chicago This Morning.

FAILURES THIS AFTERNOON

A Number of Firms go Under Who Were Thought to be All Right.

"PHIL." ARMOUR'S EFFORTS.

CHICAGO, June 15.—C. J. Kershaw, who met Joe Wilshire of Cincinnati and Eggleston said, just before the opening of the board this morning: "I will pay my differences to-day and margins to the market." Joe Wilshire said: "Kershaw has the money and will go through to-day all right."

The indications now are that Kershaw & Co. will pull through and that dozens of big failures that were imminent will be averted. Joe Wilshire of Cincinnati, the head front of the wheat clique, with a number of friends, is in town with a pot of money to back up Kershaw. It is said that the Cincinnati crowd will insist, before putting up, that Kershaw's trades be reinstated. This Eggleston, Kershaw's partner, is able to do himself if he chooses.

"The worst is over," said P. D. Armour before the board opened this morning. "Whether Kershaw goes through or not makes no difference. I shall be a buyer of wheat myself and so will others. There is a big margin now between here and New York, and there is no reason for a sacrifice of the cash grain. Of course, there are not the vessels here to take it all at once, but the wheat was not grown in a minute. The foreigners want the stuff. No one man and no one clique cut any figure here to-day. The world of consumers will save the price. There may be a sag of a cent or so, but that will be only temporary. Nobody need be uneasy at these prices."

The winners by the wheat panic are so far winners on paper. It is not at all improbable that many may go broke on this crash who have been bears all through the advance and short sellers. For instance, Robert Lindblow said last night: "If I had not completed my arrangements to go away to San Francisco, had my trunk packed, and had all the June trades on my books closed up that I possibly could, I should have made $50,000 shorts of wheat for June sold to the clique houses, and on that there would have been a loss of $250,000, which I might have never collected."

Lindblow's illustration is only such a state of facts as may really exist in half a dozen instances on the board. The short seller who has June wheat sold to Rosenfeld at 94 cents is actually a heavier loser than the man who was a bull on wheat at that figure. The latter could have sold out. The man who had wheat sold to Rosenfeld had simply to wait until Rosenfeld went broke. Then it was too late to sell. The talk is that two different concerns are on Rosenfeld's books for $50,000. At his bank yesterday Rosenfeld said his liabilities were a million.

Billy Linn has proved himself the master speculator of the trade by his wisdom, courage and persistence in fighting this deal. Last night on the curb, when all were in a reminiscent mood, he said that he had made more money by the break than he had ever made in a day in his life; that there was a difference in the twenty-four hours of $250,000 to him. Gruner of New York, who helped smash the corner, made $150,000 by yesterday's break. He was short through Fleming & Boyden. Leopold Bloom made $48,000 on the day's decline, and was berating himself that he had not made $100,000. Nat. Jones was a winner, so was Reamy; but neither of these men made proportionately to their rank. Both have left the wheat pit severely alone for a long time. They gave up lighting the deal a month ago. Jones' profits may have been $25,000.

The announcement of the failures of C. J. McCleary & Co., S. C. Orr & Co. and Pickering & Co. was made by the secretary of the Board of Trade this morning. Considerable feeling of alarm existed for a time, but as good strong parties have taken hold of the market the feeling is becoming better and hopes are entertained that the worst is over.

A Number of Firms Collapse.

CHICAGO, June 15.—The condition of affairs on 'Change at this hour (12:45) is terrible. Kershaw & Co. are officially posted as having failed to go through the clearing-house. This means their collapse. It is said that Rosenfeld & Co. garnisheed Kershaw's account in the American National Bank. Crosby & Co., a great house, has also collapsed. The failures announced today were the following: Crosby & Co., T. E. Balding & Co., Pickering & Co., M. S. Robinson & Co., M. B. Cratts & Co., J. H. Yourt & Co., S. C. Orr & Co., B. J. McCleary & Co., Charles Henrotin & Co. and Kershaw & Co.

Alexandria News.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., June 15.—At the called meeting of the Alexandria Rifles last night it was decided to tender the captaincy of the company to Mr. J. R. Hill, but it is doubtful whether his business will permit him to accept.

The Alexandria Real Estate and Trust Company are to occupy their new building in a few days.

Miss Addie Hubbard has been appointed guardian of the infant children of the late Julian Arnold.

The will of the late Dr. Gregory has been admitted to probate.

A party of ladies and gentlemen left today for the Great Falls on a fishing trip.

The Bell Telephone Suits.

BOSTON, MASS., June 15.—Judge Thurman of Ohio began his argument for the Government yesterday afternoon, maintaining the right of the latter to annul the patent in question.

He closed his argument at 4 o'clock, when the court adjourned till 10 o'clock this morning. This morning he resumed, and was followed by Counsel Dickerson, for the defendant's demurrer.

Where is Moloney?

NEW YORK, June 15.—Specials to the *Times* from Lachine and Montreal say that ex-Reading Clerk Moloney of the Board of Aldermen of 1884 has forsaken his old haunts in Canada, and that it is believed he is now in New York.

Louisiana Lottery Drawings.

NEW ORLEANS, June 14.—At the monthly drawing of the Louisiana Lottery Company to-day the following tickets were drawn: 52,710, first capital, $30,000, sold in New Orleans, New York, Omaha, Neb., Austin and Dallas, Tex., and Cliftonville, Miss. 21,608, second prize, $10,000, sold in Boston, San Francisco and San Diego, Cal., Leavenworth, Kan., Chicago, Memphis and Gates, Tenn., Buffalo, N. Y., Erie, Pa., Afton, Iowa. 16,188, third prize, $5,000. 31,618, fourth prize, $2,500, sold in Washington, D. C., New Orleans, New York, Boston, San Francisco and San Jose, Cal., Louisville, Ky., Portland, Me., Richmond, Va., Chester, Neb., Manor and Texarkana, Texas. 38,837, prize $1,000, sold in New Orleans. 30,778, prize $1,000, sold in New Orleans, New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Fort Huron, Mich., Ogden, Utah, West Point, Ga., Tucson, Ariz., Mckinley, Ala. 6,766, $8,848, 32,818, 41,135, 51,496, each $5,000, sold in Washington, D. C., New York, New Orleans, Boston, Chicago, Cairo, Cincinnati, Toledo, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Oakland, Cal., Memphis, Kansas City, Detroit, Fort Wayne, Pueblo, Col., Carson City and other points.

THE RAHWAY MURDER.

The Police Claim to Have Arrested the Guilty Party.

RAHWAY, N. J., June 15.—The police claim to have arrested the murderer of the unknown girl who was found lying in the roadside here with her throat cut from ear to ear on the morning of Saturday, March 19 last. From time to time since the police have claimed to have clues that were important, but they have turned out valueless. The man under arrest is a German named Caspar Bromback, and is employed by a farmer near Rahway. He left here in March last about the time of the murder. He went to Illinois, where he was arrested. The police are very reticent about the case and refuse to give any detailed information.

THE FINAL ACT.

Mr. Chandler Declared Elected Senator From New Hampshire.

CONCORD, N. H., June 15.—In the Senate and House in joint convention at noon today Wm. E. Chandler was declared duly elected U. S. Senator.

Ben: Perley's Poore's Will.

SALISBURY, MASS., June 15.—The will of Major Ben: Perley Poore was probated yesterday in Newburyport. After bequeathing the Georgetown (Mass.) estate to his wife and leaving his Indian Hill farm at West Newbury in trust for her, the will continues: "I further give and bequeath the silver pitcher, given by Hon. Marshall P. Wilder to me, to Hon. John James Currier of Newburyport; the silver mug, presented to me by Hon. Henry B. Anthony, to O. Warren, M. D., of West Newbury; the gold watch and chain, presented to me on my fifteenth birthday, to Samuel R. Bailey of Newbury, who has served me so long and so well; the sil