

AMUSEMENTS.

NATIONAL THEATRE. CHRISTMAS WEEK. Commencing Christmas Monday, Matinee. Every Evening and Saturday Matinee. After an absence of seven years, Europe, the original and only.

THE BELLES OF THE KITCHEN. Which will be presented every evening until Thursday, preceding the magnificent comedy of COUSIN JOE.

THE COLONEL. Now played for over 30 nights in London, and promising to equal the longest run on record.

THE GREAT SONGS OF LONDON, by T. C. Burnand, editor of London Punch, entitled, ERIC BAYLEY'S COMEDY COMPANY.

THE NEW YEARS. THE NEW HUMPTY DUMPTY. GEORGE H. ADAMS, CLUMNY. IN COLONIAL HALL.

ROYAL HAND BELL RINGERS AND GLEEMEN, OF LONDON. Crowded Houses wherever they have appeared.

THEATRE COMIQUE. CHRISTMAS WEEK. Extra Matinee Monday, December 26. Entertainments of the evening, then, all, J. W. McANDREWS.

THE HANGERS. Karola, The Original, Amos Clark and Edwards, Esq. and Tranny, The Emmett Sisters, Harry Emmett, Foll and Lewis and our Grand Stocking Company.

ADAMSON'S MUSIC HALL. E. STUBERT. OPPORTUNE GOVERNMENT POST-OFFICE.

SPECIAL PRICES. TAILORING. FOR THIS WEEK. GEORGE SPANNS, 507 Seventh St.

BROWNING & MIDDLETON. Foreign Fruits, Nuts, Wines and Liquors. Which we sell as low as any House in the District.

Werner's America Extra Dry Champagne. An American Wine quite as good as any of the imported brands.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

ATTENTION! BONS OF JONADAB. An adjourned session of the Grand Council will be held this Monday, Dec. 26, evening, in lower hall, No. 1023 Seventh street northwest, at 7:30 o'clock.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT PROPERTY. Sealed proposals will be received until Friday, December 30, at 12 o'clock noon, for the office of Superintendent of Property, room 11, Morrison Building.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PROFITABLE INVESTMENT OF CAPITAL. The Goodenough Silver Mining Company, with a capital stock of \$100,000, divided into 100,000 shares.

OFFICE OF THE WATER REGISTRAR. District of Columbia. Water rates are hereby notified that water rents will be due on January 1, 1882, and unless paid by that date, the water will be cut off.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS. Ladies' Toilet Sets, Gent's Toilet and Shaving Cases, Music Halls, Pocketbooks, Cigar Cases, Toy Guns, etc.

SEVENTH STREET TOILET COLONE IS SUPPLIED FOR FRAGRANCE AND LASTING PROPRIETY. The largest and handsomest stock of Paper and Toilet Goods in the city.

W. H. MORRISON. ANNUAL GRAND DISPLAY OF CHRISTMAS CARDS AND FANCY HOLIDAY GOODS.

BEFORE PAYING SPECIAL TAX BILLS OR GENERAL TAXES. DUE PREVIOUS TO 1882. SAVE A DISCOUNT BY CALLING UPON WILLIAM COLLISON.

IF YOU WANT THE VERY NICEST. Read my "OUIE NEW SOUTH," it is a sure pleasure. For sale by all first-class Grocers, and wholesale by W. H. TENNEY & SONS.

STOVES, FURNACES, RANGES, &c. Tin plates, sheetiron work, replacements, ranges, and all kinds of tin work promptly attended to.

BANKING—PROFESSOR SHERIDAN IS NOW TEACHING THE STEEPER WALKS and lawn-tennis quadrants. Particulars at hall, 100 F. street.

DR. ISAAC NICHOLS & CO. AMERICAN REMEDY for sale 409 Ninth street northwest. Room 101, over W. H. Riley's drug store.

J. M. WHEATLEY, RECORD ST. AND INDIANA AVENUE N. W. HUFTY & TAYLOR, GLOVERS, 933 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE.

Section Edition.

THE DEPARTMENTS.

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY has decided to increase the pay of the night inspectors at the Philadelphia Custom-house, \$3 per day.

THE EMPLOYEES of the Washington Navy yard will have holiday only on today, the 26th inst., and the 29th. As they are per diem employees, they have no right to demand that they close the yard at noon during Christmas week.

GEN. JAMES H. HERBERT, of Maryland; J. W. Deaver, Ohio; I. C. McChesney, Michigan; George W. Wingo, of New York, and Albert Gray, of the District of Columbia, appointed a committee by the National Union Association to wait upon Congress relative to an increase of appropriations, are sanguine of success in their mission.

THE BALTIMORE COLLECTOR—Surgeon-General Hamilton, of the Marine Hospital service, directs that as the official bond of the collector of the port of Baltimore, which is all bills incurred during December of account, of the Marine Hospital service at Baltimore shall be returned to the office of Washington, D. C., the collector should receive a settlement. Collector Thomas states that his official bond of \$150,000 expired on November 24 of the same day. Under the decision of the Attorney-General, he has been obliged to procure a new bond, and he is now waiting for the same to be returned to him.

THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Lehigh Park Building Company, for the election of officers and the business of the company, are notified that a meeting will be held on Monday, January 2, at 10 o'clock, at the office of the Board of Trustees, No. 1023 Seventh street northwest, or by any of the Board of Trustees.

THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Firemen's Insurance Company, for the election of officers and the business of the company, are notified that a meeting will be held on Monday, January 2, at 10 o'clock, at the office of the Board of Trustees, No. 1023 Seventh street northwest, or by any of the Board of Trustees.

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THE MISSISSIPPI PLAN.

Post Bellum and Ante Bellum Days in the Shotgun District—What a Native Has to Say of Them—The Proposed Plan of Mississippi Statisticians—Their Talk With President Arthur, etc.

Today a special reporter called upon Gen. H. P. Hurst, of Southern Mississippi, at his rooms on G street northwest, and had a chat on political matters in the shotgun State.

"I believe you have had a talk with President Arthur on Mississippi politics, have you not, general?" asked the CRITIC.

"Yes." "Well, how do you find the President? Is he too busy to see Southern—too busy, as the boys would say, to talk Southern?"

"No, indeed. He received our little delegation of reconstructed ex-Confederates with the grace of a Chesterfield and a warmth of a true gentleman that reminded me of our Southern hospitality, and made us feel at ease at once."

"And he invited you to sit down and talk?" "The President, receiving our delegation, Fitzgerald, of Vicksburg, broke in on him with the statement that we know that he was making preparations to leave on the next day for New York, and we would not ask to take up his time."

"What do you mean by a white following?" "I mean by that, that white men would vote for the Republican ticket, and that they would be run for any State or county office. This kind of an individual cannot be built up as a party, and as long as his tendency chooses to remain on."

"Why, there is no building in Mississippi now, is there?" "Yes, there is, altogether upon your runs. We have, unfortunately, a set of fossilized political leeches that have sucked the life blood from the State, and that are now, in the hands of power, and the better classes of white and colored citizens of the State of Mississippi will be glad to see them removed."

"Are such men as you allude to holding the reins of government, or promoting in the politics of the State?" "They have always been prominent in the party, and have been rather neutral acted upon by the fossils; then, sometimes, in order to retain the friendship of the white element, they have been rather neutral acted upon."

"Hold, general. What do you mean by that?" "I don't know but what it is a bad plan to dig up the dead of the past and shake their grinning skeletons as a general reminder of lost battles. It is an undignified fact that in Mississippi nineteen out of every twenty Republican are colored men, and that the white element every one hundred colored man throughout the South have embraced within their hearts, and they are ready to die for the Union."

"In the land of the Dakotas, in the land of handsome women." "Away up on the 'Big Muddy,' everything is not as lovely and serene as in the long ago of dress-parades and quaker gowns, when the drum was daily sounded, 'All in quieting the Potomac.' 'Distance lends enchantment to the view' as to what you transpire in the 'sweet by and by' of the future, it is not so certain."

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DEPRE'S SUCCESSOR.

Mr. S. P. Rounds is Certainly the Man.

The employees of the Government Printing-office will receive the news that John D. DeFrees will be removed from the place he has occupied for over four years as their best Christmas gift, and a new man, Mr. Sterling P. Rounds, will take his place.

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PERSONAL.

A Violent Scene.

YANKTON, DAKOTA, Dec. 26.—In the case of Knowlton, charged with the murder of J. H. Bouch, at Pierre, in 1877, the court reassembled today, the jury rendered a verdict of manslaughter. All was silence save the loud sound of the gavel.

Knowlton turned pale, rose to his feet and said, either to the State's attorney or Judge Shannon, "Yes, and I'll fix you." He then used profane oaths, and was told to sit down. He refused. The deputy marshals surrounded him, and he was taken to the jail.

Knowlton was taken to the jail, and was held in the room rushed forward, and some one cried out, "shoot him," and Knowlton, his wife and the marshals all in a heap on the floor.

After ten minutes comparative quiet was restored, although Knowlton kept shouting imprecations upon the head of almost everybody. When the marshals endeavored to put the shackles on his feet he kicked him over, saying that he did not want to get away.

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