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AMUSEMENTS.

FORD'S OPERA-HOUSE.

A MAJESTIC SUCCESS.
THE ILLUSTRIOUS TRAGEDIAN,
ROSSI,
With his Great American Company,
Will give to-night, for the first time in Washington, Alexander Dumas' Great Play of
EDMUND KEAN.
A Performance of the Rarest Dramatic Beauty.
On Wednesday—Shakspeare's KING LEAR.
On Thursday—Shakspeare's OTHELLO.
Seats reserved at the Opera-house.
Admission, $1 or 75 cents.
January 16—The Boston Ideal Opera Company.
The sale of seats will begin on Wednesday.

NATIONAL THEATRE.
(COMMENCING MONDAY, JANUARY 9,
EVERY EVENING AND SATURDAY MATINEE.
(There will be no Matinee on Wednesday.)
THE COMEDIANS,
ROBSON AND CRANE.
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings, and Saturday Matinee,
OUR BACHELORS.
In Four Laughing Acts.
Mr. Bachelor Bangle.....MR. STUART ROBSON
Mr. Bachelor Jawtee.....MR. WM. H. CRANE
Thursday, Friday and Saturday Evenings,
SHARPS AND FLATS.
A Speculative Satire in Four Acts.
Cutler Sharp.....MR. STUART ROBSON
(San Francisco Stock Exchange.)
Pullstone Flat.....MR. WM. H. CRANE
(Bell, Bear and Blood.)
Monday, January 16—Mr. Lawrence Barrett.

LINCOLN HALL,
FIRST PERFORMANCE OF THE
Washington Operatic Association
For its own benefit,
Friday and Saturday Evenings and Saturday Matinee, January 13 and 14,
THE CHIMES OF NORMANDY.
(Belles of Corneville),
with the following principals:
MISS EVA MILLS, MRS. JENNIE TRUE,
Misses Florence Kidwell, Iola Williams, Mrs. J. W. Cross, Mrs. D. B. Macleod,
MESSRS. JOHN O. PUGH, E. B. HAY,
L. P. Selbold, Harry C. Pearson, H. A. Foresman, and a
CHORUS COMPRISING THE BEST VOICES,
both male and female, in the District and numbering over seventy.
The orchestra will be taken from the Marine Band, and will be full and complete. The whole to be under the direction of
MR. JOHN P. SOUSA, Musical Director.
H. A. Seligson.....Stage Manager
Tickets to night performance.....75 cent
Reserved seats.....25 cents extra
Matinee.....50 cents
Box-sheet now open at Ellis' Music Store.
Admission tickets, exchangeable for reserved seats, for sale by members. jan9-6t

THEATRE COMIQUE,
MONDAY, JANUARY 9,
Nightly and Tuesday and Friday Matinees.
Engagement of the celebrated Author and Actor,
MR. W. H. LIGHTMORE,
In his New and Original Drama, entitled
THE BOSS,
in conjunction with whom will appear the following specialties: Carrol and Walters, Dee and Ella Howe, Miss Edna Markley, Orndoff and McDonald, Miss Mollie Wilson, Dick Morosco, Miss Kitty Gardener and our superb stock company.

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OPPOSITE GOVERNMENT POST-OFFICE.
The regular Concert Season having closed, the undersigned takes pleasure to announce to the public that the above spacious hall is being renovated, and is now for rent at reasonable rates for Balls, Concerts, Theatrical Performances, Lectures, Public Meetings, Receptions, &c.
In connection with the main hall there is a large dining room, accommodating 250 people, attached to which is a commodious kitchen, supplied with large ranges and other practical appliances of the latest improved styles.
The dimensions of the hall are 87x50 feet, with a seating capacity of 500 people. The stage, which is in course of construction, will be portable, and can be removed altogether if so desired.
New and spacious sitting rooms for ladies are being fitted up with special care as to neatness and comfort.
For terms and other particulars, apply to
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IF YOU WOULD AVOID CHILLS AND Fevers, Ague and Fevers, Bilious Fevers and other diseases incident to the season, take BROWNING'S BITTERS and you will surely escape them.
BROWNING'S BITTERS have been in use for over twelve years, and no person was ever known to have chills or bilious fevers while using these Bitters. For sale by druggists and grocers generally.
BROWNING & MIDDLETON,
PROPRIETORS AND MANUFACTURERS,
610 Pennsylvania Avenue.

A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of the WASHINGTON AND GEORGETOWN RAILROAD COMPANY, for the election of Directors, and other purposes, will be held at the office of the Company, Georgetown, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of January, 1882.
The polls will be opened at 12 m. and closed at 2 p. m. Transfer Books will be closed on the 4th of January, 1882, and opened on January 11, 1882.
C. M. KOONTZ, Sec'y. H. HURT, President.

FANCY BOTTLES,
COLOGNE,
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BEFORE PAYING SPECIAL TAX BILLS OR GENERAL TAXES
DUE PREVIOUS TO 1878,
SAVE A DISCOUNT BY CALLING UPON
WILLIAM DICKSON,
222 4½ STREET NORTHWEST,
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A RARE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PROFITABLE INVESTMENT OF CAPITAL.—The Goodenough Silver Mining Company, of Washington, D. C., is now fully organized with a capital stock of $1,000,000, divided into 100,000 shares of $10 each.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES.
THOS. SOMERVILLE, NOBLE D. LARNER,
R. W. TYLER, C. P. CULVER,
I. L. JOHNSON, WM. H. BAUM,
H. L. BISTOE, A. M. BRANDT,
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C. C. DUNCANSON.
OFFICERS.
THOMAS SOMERVILLE, President.
CHARLES P. CULVER, Vice-President.
N. D. LARNER, secretary and Treasurer.
C. P. CULVER, Superintendent at the Mines.
The Goodenough Silver Mine is located in what is known as the "Pioneer Mining District," Pinal County, Arizona Territory. The trustees confidently believe that this stock will prove a profitable investment, and do not hesitate in commending it to their friends.
Prospectus containing full particulars of the mine, together with certified assays of the ores from the mine made by Professor Taylor, chemist of the Smithsonian Institute; R. A. Brown, assayer and superintendent of the "Specie-Paying Mining Co.;" Professor Oliver Hoffman, metallurgist and mining engineer, "Silver King Mining Co.;" and Mr. George Aldike, mining engineer and superintendent of the Tombstone Mines, Arizona, will be cheerfully furnished on application to any of the officers of the company.
Subscriptions to the stock of the company will be received by C. P. CULVER, special agent, at his office, No. 505, D street northwest, or by any of the Board of Trustees. dec24-1m

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.
Ladies' Toilet Sets, Gent's Toilet and Shaving Cases, Work Boxes, Portfolios, Glove Cases, Toy Trunks, Card Cases, Latest Designs Ladies' and Men's Satchels, Traveling Bags, Ladies' and Gent's Trunks in Sole Leather, Zinc and Leather Covers.
A fine line of Knee Blankets, Horse Blankets, Fur Robes and Whips.
My stock of Single and Double Harness cannot be surpassed. We ask a call to be convinced.
K. KNEESSI,
422 SEVENTH ST. N.W.—opp. Odd-Fellows' Hall

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Lothian Park Building Company, for the election of officers and the transaction of any business that may properly come before said meeting, will be held on Wednesday, January 18, 1882, at 7 p. m., at room 15 Le Droit Building. JOSEPH PAUL, Secretary.
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DR. ISAAC NICHOLS & CO.'S AMERICAN Remedy for sale 420 Ninth street northwest. Room No. 1, over W. R. Riley's drug store. Liberal discount to the trade.
J. C. RINGWALT, Jr., Sole Agent for Washington.

SIMMS' TOILET COLOGNE IS UNsurpassed for fragrance and lasting properties. Sold at 50 per full pint bottle, at Pharmacy cor 14th st. and N. Y. ave. Also, a fine line of goods for Holiday presents at low prices.

DANCING.—PROFESSOR SHELDON IS now teaching the five-step waltz and lawn-tennis quadrilles. Particulars at hall, 1001 F, or residence, 919 11th st. northwest. oct14

FRED'K FREUND, CATERER AND CONFECTIONER,
709 Ninth street n. w. Parties and Weddings served at short notice. no9

SPECIAL NOTICES.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.
At a meeting of the members of your Company, held at the Board of Trade Rooms last evening, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:
"Resolved, That this meeting recommend and place in nomination MR. JAMES S. EDWARDS, as Manager, in the place of Mr. Norment, who declines a re-election."
WM. H. CLAGETT, Chairman.
THOMAS BRODRICK, Secretary.

TO THE TRADE.
Having accepted the agency of one of the largest card manufacturing houses in the United States, I will, on and after January 1, 1882, keep in stock a large and varied assortment of
FANCY CARDS, FANCY CARDS.
Advertising Cards from $1.25 per M. up. Beveled-edge Visiting Cards a specialty.
Call and examine stock. R. F. BROWN,
506 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE N. W.,
Dealer in Fancy Advertising Cards. jan9

J. GERMUILLER,
ARCHITECT AND SUPERINTENDENT,
Jan1 NO 741 SEVENTH STREET.

SPECIAL NOTICE.
OFFICE OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO. OF D. C.,
No. 902 PENN. AVE. N. W.,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30, 1881.
The annual meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the District of Columbia will be held on the third Monday of January, 1882, the 16th prox., at Odd-Fellows' Hall, Seventh street, between D and E streets northwest, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m.
By the charter of the company the election of seven managers, to constitute a board to conduct the affairs of the company, is required to be held at the above meeting.
By the sixth article of the by-laws of the company it is provided: "At the annual meeting of the company the first business in order shall be the appointment of a chairman, who shall conduct the meeting and election in accordance with the act of incorporation, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 6 o'clock p. m."
All policy holders are requested punctually to attend.
Amount of premium notes held by company.....$1,367,310.03
Cash on hand.....2,961.87
Cash received on renewal for year 1882.....10,186.87
Securities.....110,000.00
Real estate.....49,698.00
Losses by fire for the year 1881 adjusted and paid.....7,994.96
Losses by fire for the year 1881 adjusted and unpaid.....128.59
By order of the board of managers of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company.
J. WESLEY BOTELER,
Secretary.

W. H. MORRISON BEGS LEAVE TO announce his
GRAND DISPLAY
OF
NEW YEAR'S AND RECEPTION CARDS
and
FANCY HOLIDAY GOODS.
The public are cordially invited to examine them. The largest and handsomest stock of Paper and Envelopes in Boxes I have ever had. I have just opened, and now offer for sale. Children's books in paper covers and handsomely bound, and at prices to suit all.
W. H. MORRISON,
Law Bookseller and Stationer,
no9-tf 475 Penna. ave. n. w.

SECOND NATIONAL BANK.
WASHINGTON, D. C.
The annual election for Directors of the Second National Bank of Washington, D. C., will be held at the Bank on Tuesday, January 10, 1882, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m.
H. C. SWAIN, Cashier.
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DR. WM. HUNTER,
MEDICAL ELECTRICIAN.
All Chronic Diseases scientifically treated, malaria especially. Office hours: 9 a. m. to 12 m., and 2 p. m. to 8 p. m. Consultation free.
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Tin plates, sheet iron work, fireplace stoves, ranges furnaces repaired. Tin roofing, spouting, and all kinds of tin work promptly attended to. Send your order to
R. H. G. BOUIS,
519 Eleventh st. n. w., near F st.

Guess! Guess!

A Gift for a Guess.

I will give away a Magnificent $130 Shoninger, nine-stop Cymbella Parlor Organ, to the person who comes nearest in guessing the number of Beans contained in the Glass Jar exhibited in my Show Window.

The Jar has been filled and sealed by members of the press, representing "The Critic" and other witnesses, and will be opened on the first day of March, 1882, by Judges selected for the purpose, who will count the Beans and award the Prize to the Lucky Guesser. COME EVERYBODY.

Each person allowed but one guess.

Register Book open from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m.

SIDNEY T. NIMMO'S
Piano Warerooms,
433 Seventh St. Northwest.

THAT
$1.00 RAZOR!
Shaves with Voluptuous Ease! Genuine English Wade & Butcher! Hollow Ground, Hinging, Rattler, Damascus Steel. Warranted for ten years! Ever Razor sold in this city! Takes the keenest edge and holds it! Sent post-paid anywhere for only $1.
COMBINATION HONES AND STRAP, combining two Hones and two Straps, only 75c. without doubt the Best Strap made.
O'MEARA'S Sporting Bazaar,
1347 PA. AVE., near Willard's Hotel, WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE DEPARTMENTS.

THE NATIONAL BANK NOTES received for redemption to-day were $371,000.

GOVERNMENT RECEIPTS TO-DAY: Internal revenue, $340,342.55; customs, $637,358.80.

CAPT. EADS was at the White House today, and had a short interview with the President.

A SERIES OF lectures, to continue daily for six months, were begun yesterday at the training school of the United States Signal Service at Fort Myer, Va.

THE store-house of the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., was broken into a few nights ago and robbed of postage stamps and money to the value of $55.

CAPT. E. M. HEYL, Fourth Cavalry, now in Camden, N. J., has been ordered to report to the Superintendent Mounted Recruiting Service, Jefferson Barracks, Mo., for temporary duty.

THE Tallapoosa left the Washington Navy-yard this morning for Norfolk, Va., to bring a draft of men for the Enterprise, now at this yard, which vessel is to be put in commission in a few days.

IT IS STATED that the President will not hold any public receptions at the White House until March next, in order that the period of six months' mourning for the late President may be properly respected.

THE PRESIDENT shows no inclination to act in the matter of the retirement of Surgeon-General Barnes, Quartermaster-General Meigs and Paymaster-General Brown, of the Navy, all of whom are beyond the legal age.

LIEUT. COMMANDER GEORGE TALCOTT has been detached from the Michigan and ordered to ordnance duty at Norfolk, Va., and Ensign Ridgely Hunt (son of the Secretary) from special duty at the Navy Department and ordered to the Jamestown February 1.

AMONG THE candidates for the vacancy on the Court of Claims, caused by the resignation of Judge J. C. Bancroft Davis, now assistant Secretary of State, are First Comptroller Lawrence, Solicitor Kenneth Raynor, Major Winthrop and Judge Peabody, of New York.

IT WAS RATHER quiet at the White House to-day. Among the callers who saw the President were Senators Hale, McDill, Saunders, Hill, of Colorado; Sawyer, Farley and Rollins, and Representatives Moore, Smith, of Illinois; Urner, Wait, Miller, Van Horn, Houk, Aldrich and Shallenberger.

THE CABINET meeting to-day was attended by all the members except Secretary Hunt, who is out of the city. The result of the meeting will be shown in a number of important nominations to-morrow, including the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and the Baltimore appointments.

THE Court of Claims, which reassembled yesterday, rendered an adverse decision in the case of Paymaster Daniel McClure, U. S. A., and gave judgment for $3,200 in the case of Chandler's administrator. The case of Samuel Strong against the District of Columbia was argued on a plea of abatement and submitted.

PERSONAL.

LIEUT. JOHN CLEMM, "the drummer boy of Shiloh," is in New York.

MR. HOWARD CARROLL, who has been suffering from a severe cold, has completely recovered and now brightens the columns of the New York *Times* by the electric light of his cosmopolitan intellect.

COL. EDWARD BROOKES, formerly managing editor of the Washington *Republican*, and at present United States consul to Cork, Ireland, arrived in New York yesterday on the steamer Celtic. He will remain in the United States two or three months.

Public Printer.

THE CRITIC has it from most reliable authority that the name of S. P. Rounds will be sent to the Senate in a few days for the office of Public Printer. Unless the present Executive is patterning after Mr. Hayes, in saying one thing and doing quite the opposite, this bit of news may be relied upon as correct. THE CRITIC's informant is a gentleman who stands very near the President, and is understood to be on confidential terms with the Executive, and his opinions may be regarded as reliable.

Given to Marriage.

Joe Howard in New York Star.

I was somewhat surprised not to meet Gen. Dan Sickles at the wedding-breakfast of his father a week ago; but when I encountered the gallant ex-minister a few words convinced me that he did not approve of the match, and, to my astonishment, he informed me that this was the third time Mr. Sickles had married the same lady. "Even my father could not expect me to attend so many repetitions of the ceremony," said Dan, smiling in spite of his disapprobation. It seems that Mr. Sickles first married the lady during the lifetime of her first husband, again after that husband died, and the third marriage is a compliment to the gossips of New Rochelle, where the happy pair reside. I think the gossips expected to have the wedding festivities at the little village; but, like a fine New Yorker, Mr. Sickles brought his triple bride to the metropolis, and we had a capital time at the old Belmont Hotel.

Had Forgotten Something.

American (Ga.) Republican.

A rather young-looking gentleman, living near the Marion County line, brought his family to the city on the day that the circus was here to let them see the animals.

After seeing all the sights, the show, the horses, dogs and clown, he gathered his family and started home. When he had gone a mile he turned to his wife and remarked, "I feel just like I've left something." She replied, "If you feel that way then you have." So they stopped and made their children file before them as they called the roll. One of the youngest came up missing, so they returned to the city and found their little boy sitting at Carter's shoe store, waiting patiently until his father would carry the others home and return for him. There was great joy in that family on the recovery of the lost boy. This is true.

A number of years ago a rich man, as eccentric as he was benevolent, died in Philadelphia, leaving a will, in which he laid a solemn injunction upon his children that so long as they lived they should see the old year out and the new year in at the foot of his coffin. The children are scattered through many States, from Vermont to Nebraska, but they never violate their father's injunction, and last Saturday, a few moments before midnight, they assembled, as usual, in the family vault in Laurel Hill Cemetery. Four of those upon whom this grim necessity was laid are dead, and the survivors constitute a strange and mournful group as they carry out their father's solemn behest.

A true friend is one whom yu k
for his faults without giving
who, without giving offense.
Nature has never mad
felt, and she luvs vari
never has made onay

THE BIG FRAUD.

WHICH MEANS T. L. JAMES.

An Interview Which Exposes Him Thoroughly—The P. M. G. and Not the Contractors the Guilty Party—Boone Blisters the So-called Reformer—The Man Arrested by James' Order Gets Contracts all the Same—Cause Why? He's an Honest Bidder and an Honest Man.

One night last week a number of gentlemen of this city, whose residences were well known, were arrested at so late an hour that they could not give bail. The charge was conspiracy to defraud the United States Government.

The gentlemen arrested were mail contractors and their sureties. The "inspiration" for the arrest came from Thomas L. James, Postmaster-General. Among the parties arrested was Mr. A. E. Boone, one of the most prominent contractors in the service. Yesterday Mr. Boone received a contract, as the following document will show:

(No. 2036.)

U. S. POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE
SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 9, 1882.

SIR: The Postmaster-General has ordered that a contract be made with you for carrying the mail from Feb. 1, 1882, to June 30, 1882, on Route No. 40,131, between Tucson and Riverside, three times a week each way, for the sum of $3,988 per annum.

Blank certificates will be sent to the Postmaster at your place of residence, to be executed by yourself and sureties, in due time; but the service must be begun on the date first named, or the next mail day thereafter, whether the contracts be executed or not.

Respectfully, &c., &c.,
R. A. ELMER.
Second Assistant Postmaster-General.

MR. A. E. BOONE,
Washington, D. C.

This is a direct slap in the face of Tom James, and it demonstrates the fact that the arrest was a put-up job and that there was not the slightest excuse for it.

In this connection we publish below an interview of a New York *Herald* reporter with Mr. Boone. It blisters Tom James all over, and shows him up in a light which no honest man would envy.

The much-talked-of Albert Eugene Boone, of Washington, was caught on the wing yesterday afternoon in the crowded rotunda of the Astor House by a representative of the *Herald*. Col. Boone is a happy duplicate of Senator Logan—tall, dark, long-haired and mustached. His arrest in Washington on Saturday last was supposed to be a very long feather in the waving tail of the ex-Postmaster-General, and in reference to that and kindred matters he was courteously approached. In reply to a question Col. Boone said: "I am a native of Ohio, but hail from Tennessee, where I was twice on the staff of Gov. Brownlow."

"Are you a postal contractor?"

"Very much so."

"Where?"

"All over the United States."

"How many contracts have you?"

"About 500."

"Any of recent date?"

"Yes, as late as December 30, 1881."

"What! in the time of Mr. James?"

"Precisely, in the time of Mr. James."

"Where?"

"In Illinois."

"Affirmed?"

"Certainly, and in due form and by the proper official."

"Any others since Mr. James went in?"

"Yes; about 150 in all."

"Any large ones?"

"One from Brigham City to Prescott, Arizona, for $8,380, and one on the 8th of December for $8,774."

"Do you know Mr. James personally?"

"Oh, yes; I knew him five years ago officially and two years ago personally. My first aquaintance with him was in a contested case over the New York city mail service—a little matter of $90,000. He approved what turned out to be straw bail, and until the matter was passed in Washington, the decision being that the department was bound, he didn't sleep, he said, because pending the decision he was held responsible. The same bond was not accepted a second time."

"Did you ever have any trouble as to bonds or service until James went in?"

"Never."

Some Suggestions.

"Why were you arrested?"

"On account of the so-called straw bonds."

"Are they solid or good?"

"To the best of my knowledge and belief there are none better."

"And if not?"

"James should have demanded new ones."

"Did he ever do so?"

"Never, and there is no doubt of their soundness either."

"Were any of your bondsmen accepted under the administration of Mr. James?"

"At least one-half."

"Were any accepted since these Star-route investigations began?"

"Yes."

"Are the contracts now in existence?"

"Every one of them."

"Are any of them reported in default?"

"Not one of them."

"Were there any over?"

"None except A. O. Buck's, and that was promptly settled in accordance with the law."

"Do you expect more contracts?"

"I do to a very large extent. I am a contractor."

"Shall you fight this assault?"

"To the bitter end, inch by inch."

"When is the next letting?"

"Very soon. One-quarter of the entire United States is let out once a year, and every day some are put on the bulletin board. I get contracts daily."

Two Thousand More.

"Have you put in new bids?"

"I have, and I got them in, too—some two thousand of them."

"Do you expect to get them?"

"I am satisfied I will be the lowest legal bidder on at least one-half of them."

"How many men are in your employ?"

"About one thousand, all told, and I pay them once a month."

"Are you interested with Senator Dorsey?"

"I am not."

"Has he any contracts?"

"None that I know of."

"Isn't he a silent partner with you?"

"In no shape or form."

"The warrant for your arrest was out on Friday. Why did you delay until Saturday afternoon before giving bail?"

"Because the James plot was to arrest me Friday, so as to prevent my bids from going in. The James bids were in and I was taking care of the Boone bids. I barricaded my door and saw no one but my bids went in and will have to be considered. After that I voluntarily gave myself up, of course. Their game was blocked and I made mine. It's a queer world, isn't it?"

"What do you mean?"

"I mean that my arrest—so called—was

"Not one."

"Why, then, make you the target?"

"James was against my bids and he is also down on Dorsey, against whom he would like to have me testify, if I knew anything to say."

"Can James prevent you from getting contracts?"

"Not this afternoon. The law determines these little matters, fortunately, and even Mr. James is amenable to law."

How Is This?

"Of course you notice that the Postal Department was self-sustaining under Mr. James?"

"Self-fiddlesticks! Anybody can do that by cutting off the non-paying routes. James cut them off, but they are being restored daily."

"Is there no way the Government can be protected against bogus sureties?"

"Certainly. There should be a lien against the real estate during the term of the contract. Then the transfer of the property can have no effect."

"Can the Government make anything out of these civil suits?"

"I should say not. You see the contracts are all in the hands of sub-contractors who can't be touched. A great majority of the contractors are stage drivers not worth a cent, and they transfer their contracts."

"Have you any contracts with you?"

"Yes; here is one." (Colonel Boone showed contract No. 38,229, from Kuhn's Crossing, Colorado, to Deer Trail. It was awarded to him on the 16th of December, under the administration of Mr. James.)

"Have you any others like it?"

"Yes, here, more than a hundred, with the same bondsmen James now pursues, accepted and approved by him."

"How, then, do you account for his action?"

"It's like his entire career—claptrap, buncombe, political and personal effect, any quantity of blow and very little honest result."

"Then you don't cry peccavi?"

"Not much. He's woke up the wrong customer. I'll fight to the end. James did more illegal things in his brief tenure than any or all of his predecessors. He allowed Woodward $5 a day 'travelling expenses' all the time he was in Washington, and when these very men he seeks to destroy demanded as their right the contracts they had bid for he discontinued the service rather than let them have them. There'll be plenty of interesting reading when the facts come out, and Mr. James and his 'self-sustaining administration,' with addenda, will not be the least amusing."

Col. Boone, with Mrs. Boone, returned to Washington last evening.

FINANCIAL.

To-day's Stock Quotations.

The following observations of the transactions in the financial market to-day, together with opening and closing quotations, are furnished by the banking-house of H. D. Cooke, Jr., & Co., 1429 F street, Washington, D. C.:

Name of Stock.	Open'g.	Closg.
C. & O.	25	24¾
C. C. & I.	79	80
Canada Southern	54	53⅝
Chi., Bur. & I.	135⅞	135
C. C. & I. C.	21⅝	21
Central Pacific	92¼	92¼
Del., Lack. & W.	124¼	123¾
Delaware & Hudson	106	106
Denver & Rio Grande	67½	67⅝
Erie	39¾	40⅛
Hannibal & St. Joe.	95	94¾
do. preferred	114¼	109¼
Houston & Texas	90	90
Illinois Central	129½	129⅝
L. B. & W.	47½	46½
Lake Shore	112¼	112⅝
Louisville & Nashville	97	97⅜
Lake Erie & Western	35	34
Michigan Central	86⅝	86¼
Missouri Pacific	100⅞	99¾
Mo., Kan. & Texas	36⅝	36¾
Manhattan Elevated	57	54
N. Y. Central	131	130⅛
Northwestern	126¼	125⅞
do. preferred	139¼	139
N. J. Central	91⅝	90⅞
Northern Pacific	36	35¾
do. preferred	76¼	74⅞
Ontario & Western	26⅞	26¾
Pacific Mail	41¾	41½
Rock Island	132	132
Reading	65¾	65¼
St. Paul	109¼	109⅛
do. preferred	121¾	122
Union Pacific	117	117⅛
Western Union	78⅝	77⅞
Wabash, St. L. & P.	36⅝	35⅝
do. preferred	68⅝	67⅞
Col. Coal	42½	42
East Tennessee	14½	14⅝
do. preferred	25	24¾
Met. Elevated	88	88
N. Y. Elevated	105	107
Norfolk & Western	23	23
do. preferred	57¾	57¼
Ohio Central	23¼	23
Pa. R. R.	61	61
R. & A.	37	37¼
R. & P.	25	25
R. & Dan.	182	182
Texas & Rio Grande	80½	80½
Texas Pacific	47½	46⅞
U. S. 4 per cent., coupon	117½@117¾	
U. S. 4 per cent., registered	117½@117¾	
U. S. 4½ per cent., coupon	114⅝@114⅞	
U. S. 4½ per cent., registered	114⅝@114⅞	
U. S. 5 per cent., registered	102¼@102¾	
U. S. sixes of 1881	100½@101	
D. C. 3-65s	197	

Washington Stock Exchange.

The following are the closing quotations of the Washington Stock Exchange to-day:

GOVERNMENTS.	Bid.	Asked
U. S. 6s extended 3s	100¼	10
U. S. 5s extended 3½	102½	102¾
U. S. 4½s 1891, coupon	114¾	115¾
U. S. 4½s, registered	114¾	114¾
U. S. 4s 1907, coupon	117¾	117¾
U. S. 4s 1907, registered	117¾	117¾
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BONDS.		
Permanent improvement 6s	114¾	115¼
Market stock, 7s, 1892	118	...
Water stock 7s, 1901	125	...
Water stock 7s, 1903	127	...
50 years' funding 5-65s, 1924	108	108¾
20 years' funding 6s, 1889	...	113½
20 years' funding 6s, 1892	114½	115
30 years' funding 6s, 1902	121	122
RAILROAD STOCKS.		
Wash. & Georgetown stock	117	...
Wash. & Georget'n bonds	104	106
North Capitol & O street	...	41
FIRE INSURANCE AND GASLIGHT COMPANIES.		
Wash. City Gaslight Co.	38½	39¼
" " " scrip	...	31½
Georgetown Gaslight Co.	31	...
Firemen's Fire Ins. Co.	38	...
National Union	...	20½
Arlington	130	...
Corcoran	125	130
Col. Ins. Co. less unpd assessm't	620	...
FREE LIST.		
Bd. Public Works Green 8s	95½	96¼
Masonic Hall bonds	100	...
National Theater bonds	...	100
Wash. Market Co. stock	...	10
Wash. Market Co. bonds	102	...
Inland and Sea Coast Co. stock	...	65
" " " bonds	...	100
Ivanhoe Mining Co. stock	...	150
National Bank of the Republic	150	...
Farmers' & Mechanics'	155	...

A young man in Paris who wore scarlet trousers was adjudged insane. What, then, should be the fate of young ladies who wear scarlet dresses?

Fifteen paper mills have been built in the West this year—seven in Wisconsin, one in Illinois, three in Michigan and one each in Wisconsin and Ohio.

Young clergymen do not now receive so many pairs of worked slippers as formerly. Higher art comes in, and the preacher gets more painted jugs.

The Iowa Methodist Conference so severely rebuked one of its members for going to a circus that the penitent brother promised not to do so any more.

When Alexander H. Stephens said that he had never read a fairy story he did not mean that he had never heard one from Pig Iron Kelley.—*N. Y. Herald.*

are sending bacon and cheese to both
d and Germany. But owing to Ger-
's the latter country pays twice
them as England does.

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ch or English tweeds.

ON THE HILL.

WHAT CONGRESSMEN ARE DOING.

Proceedings in Both Houses To-day—The Utah Question in the House—Miscellaneous Matters in the Senate—Notes, Comments and Opinions.

The Senate

There was not quite so much stir and bustle around the Senate to-day as there was yesterday, yet the surroundings presented a business-like appearance. Old men and young men were seen buzzing Senators in behalf of some private claim or other. While the members of the third house had much to say, Senators were not disposed to stand in one place long at a time and listen to their arguments.

The Chair laid before the Senate two communications from the Secretary of War in relation to certain rivers and harbors in the State of Maine; also a memorial from citizens of Kentucky asking for legislation on the subject of railroads; also a similar memorial from citizens of the State of Texas. Several petitions were presented by Senators on the same subject.

There were several reports by committees made during the morning hour, but nothing of very great importance.

Mr. Windom introduced a bill authorizing the construction of a building for a congressional library and other purposes. Referred to the special committee on library.

A joint resolution from the House was reported setting a day for eulogies on the late Fernando Wood.

Mr. Bayard, by instructions from the Committee on Finance, reported back favorably Senate bill 22, known as the Morrill bill, to create a commission of nine persons, all of whom should be civilians, to take into consideration the subject of the tariff.

Also, by instructions from the same committee, to report adversely Senate bill 86, known as the Garland bill, which provides for the same thing, except that six of the commissioners are to be chosen from the two Houses of Congress.

In the House.

There was not a quorum present when the House convened to-day, many members having overslept themselves in consequence of last night's festivities at the Mexican Minister's ball. Chaplain Dr. Power being absent, the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Dr. Butler. The reading of that portion of the journal which related to the introduction of bills yesterday was dispensed with. In the meantime, tardy members straggled in slowly. Ex-Senator Sargent, Commissioner Raum and Commissioner of Indian Affairs Price were among the visitors on the floor.

Mr. Kasson opened the proceedings by offering for reading a memorial relating to the death and services of the late Carlisle Patterson, urging a recognition of his sterling worth by suitable memorial services by Congress. The memorial was very lengthy and its reading consumed considerable time. It was signed by Gen. Sherman, Judge Cox, Admiral Rogers, Admiral Porter, Senators Hale and Sherman, Representatives Kasson, Kelly, Randall, Robinson, McLane and others. This was supplemented by a resolution for the appointment of a joint committee to arrange for suitable memorial services, which was adopted.

Mr. Williams, of Wisconsin, asked unanimous consent for the assignment of Wednesday, the 25th instant, for the delivering of eulogies on the death of the late Matt. Carpenter. This was agreed to and then Representative Benjamin Wood, of New York, was introduced by Mr. Cox and sworn in by the Speaker.

The Utah contest came up as unfinished business, Mr. Haskell, of Kansas, calling up his resolution providing for the seating of Allen G. Campbell and the non-admission of Cannon.

Mr. Haskell was still speaking at a late hour. He maintained that Mr. Campbell's certificate was *prima facie* evidence of his election, and that the governor had the right to decide that fact. He was opposed to referring the matter to the Committee on Elections, but members of the House are inclined to believe that such will be the course finally agreed upon.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions Intelligently Organized.

The House Committee on Invalid Pensions held its first regular meeting this morning, and effected organization. Gen. Browne, chairman, occupied the chair. All members of the committee were present, except Messrs. Cullen, Caldwell and Latham. The chair announced the following sub-committees:

Messrs. Browne, Latham and McMillan, part of Indiana, North Carolina, Connecticut, Michigan, part of Tennessee, Oregon and Massachusetts.

Messrs. Joyce and Matson, part of Indiana, Vermont, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Louisiana, South Carolina.

Messrs. Cullen and Ray, Illinois, New Hampshire, Texas, Maryland, Georgia and the Territories.

Messrs. Dawes and Caldwell, part of Ohio, Kentucky, Maine, Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi and California.

Messrs. Pettibone and Cabell, part of Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, Nebraska, Florida and Minnesota.

Messrs. Parker and Simonton, part of New York, part of Tennessee, Iowa, New Jersey, Colorado and Nevada.

Messrs. Rice and Wadsworth, part of Ohio, part of New York, Wisconsin, Kansas, Delaware, Rhode Island and District of Columbia.

The following appointment of sub-divided States were announced by the Chair:

Bills presented by Messrs. Hoffman, Cobb, Stockslager, Holman, Matson and Browne, of Indiana, will be assigned to Mr. Browne. Those presented by Messrs. Peelle, Pierce, Orth, DeMotte, Steele, Colerick and Calkins, of Indiana, to Mr. Matson.

Bills presented by Messrs. Belmont, Robinson, Smith, Biles, Benjamin, Wood, Dugro, McCook, Hardy, Hewitt, Pearce, Hutchins, Ketchum, Beach, Cornell, and Nolan, of New York, to Mr. Parker. Those from W. A. Wood, Hammond, Parker, West, Jacobs, Skinner, Prescott, Mason, Hiscock, Camp, Wadsworth, Dwight, Richardson, Voorhis, Crowley, Scoville and Van Aernam, of New York, to Mr. Wadsworth.

Bills presented by Messrs. Butterworth, Young, Morey, Shultz, Le Fevre, Ritchie, Leedom, Keifer, Robinson, and Rice, of Ohio, to Mr. Rice. Those from Messrs. Neal, Converse, Atherton, Geddes, Davies, Updegraff, McKinley, McClure, Taylor, and Townsend, of Ohio, to Mr. Davies.

Bills from Messrs. Pettibone, Houk and Dibrell, of Tennessee, to Mr. Pettibone. Those from Messrs. McMillen, Warner and House, of Tennessee, to Mr. McMillan, and those from Messrs. Whitthorne, Atkins, Sim