

AFFAIRS AT THE NAVY YARD

ACTIVITY AT A LOW EBB, BECAUSE OF THE FLEET'S ABSENCE.

WORK IN CONNECTION WITH DRYDOCK NO. 3 GOING ON—A TEST TO BE HELD SOON—THE NEWARK TO GO OUT OF COMMISSION FOR REPAIRS—QUESTIONS OF PRECEDENCE.

Operations at the Navy Yard have reached a low ebb as far as activity is concerned. With the exception of the work on the Alliance, Katabin and Ericsson, there is nothing doing in connection with the ships in commission, and there is a period of waiting for the return of the ships of the squadron, which are expected back within a few days from the evolutions off Charleston Harbor.

ONE MINUTE AND SEVEN SECONDS.

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STILL WORKING ON DRYDOCK NO. 3

The message sent to the Department by the contractors who have the new drydock in hand is the formal announcement that the structure is completed. This announcement, however, is not entirely correct. The dredges and scows are still at the entrance to the dock, and there is considerable work of minor importance still to be done.

CHANGES OF PRECEDENCE.

Just why there should be any satisfaction in a change in the order of precedence of different corps of the staff of the Navy is a question which landsmen will not lose any sleep over, but which at the same time is of some interest, in view of the attempts which have been made to obtain for members of the engineer corps the right to have control over their own engineering force.

THE NEWARK TO GO OUT OF COMMISSION.

The Newark, which recently came as far North as Port Royal after coal and will go back to duty at Key West, is to go out of commission and undergo extensive repairs and alterations. She will be placed in charge of the Engineer and Construction departments of the Norfolk yard, and her men will be transferred to other ships which are a little short-handed.

FIREMEN TO PARADE TOMORROW.

IT WILL BE THE SIXTH ANNUAL TURNOUT OF THE KINGS COUNTY VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION.

The sixth annual parade of the Kings County Volunteer Firemen's Association will take place tomorrow, with Louis T. Happ as marshal. The turnout will be as follows: First Division—Form on east side of Henry-st., right resting on Harrison-st.

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LYMAN S. BURHAM DEAD.

ONE OF BROOKLYN'S PROMINENT MERCHANTS STRUCKEN WITH APOPLEXY.

Lyman Satterlee Burham, the last surviving member of the well-known retail firm of Journeaux & Burham, died at his home, No. 133 Fort Greene Place, Brooklyn, soon after 11 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Burham was stricken with apoplexy while at his store at 5:30 o'clock on Friday afternoon. On Friday he heard that his sister-in-law, Mrs. Clark Burham, was seriously ill at her home, No. 142 Clinton-st. About 5 o'clock he sat down at his desk in his store to write a note to her, telling her that he would not be home to dinner at the regular time, but would instead call on his sister-in-law. The fatal stroke of apoplexy came while he was writing the note. He was immediately removed to his home, and died without regaining consciousness. Mr. Burham had always enjoyed excellent health, and the announcement of his death was received yesterday with the greatest surprise. He was attended by his nephew, Dr. Burham, and Dr. Griffiths.

SWEDISH CIVIL ENGINEERS DINE.

The New-York club of the American Society of Swedish Engineers, the most exclusive Swedish society in the Greater New York, held its annual dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria on Wednesday evening, Feb. 19. The dinner was given at the Waldorf-Astoria on Wednesday evening, Feb. 19. The dinner was given at the Waldorf-Astoria on Wednesday evening, Feb. 19.

INSTITUTE'S GREAT WEEK.

MUSIC-LOVERS APPEALED TO BY TWO PROGRAMMES.

THE WASHINGTON ANNIVERSARY MEETING, A SERVICE LECTURE AND AN EVENING WITH THE CINEMATOGRAPH PARTS OF THE SCHEDULE.

This week there are many things planned for the entertainment and instruction of the members of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. It is, in fact, one of the strongest weeks of the season. Perhaps the entertainments which will attract the greatest attention of the week are the concerts by the Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Emil Paur, on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.



MME. TERESA CARRENO.

noon. Mme. Teresa Carreno is to be the soloist at the symphony concert on Friday evening, appearing at the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, under the direction of Emil Paur, on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

OFFICIALS DISINCLINED TO TALK.

FEW OPINIONS EXPRESSED ON THE APPELLATE DIVISION'S CIVIL SERVICE DECISION.

Brooklyn officials were disinclined yesterday to say much about the appellate Division's decision in the case of the Civil Service suit. Corporation Counsel Burr, in reply to questions that the constitution does not establish a different standard of determining merit from the previously existing statute.

DINNER OF THE TWENTY-FIVE CLUB.

The Twenty-five Club, composed of former pupils of School No. 25, held its second annual dinner at the Union League Club on Friday evening. Emil Schnecko, as president, was presiding. There were present about 100 members of the club.

HE WOULD NOT BE UNDERSOLD.

From The Chicago Times-Herald. Colonel James Tamplin, a veteran of the Mexican and Civil wars, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. George C. Joseph, of this city. He is a veritable walking history of the wars, in which he bore a prominent part. He is now 75 years of age, and his war museum, inasmuch as he carries around with him a few bullets, bayonet stabs and a sword given by General Sherman when he was invading their country.

HANDY FOR THE WIVES OF CONGRESSMEN.

From The Washington Post. Something new in the line of the Congressional Directory is the distribution of copies to the wives of Senators and members of the House. This is an innovation, introduced by Primmer Pittman, who has in charge the compiling of the Directory. Each lady's name is neatly printed on the front cover in gold letters. Mr. Pittman, who occupies the corner in the committee-room occupied by Ben. Perley Poore, famous as compiler of Congressional Directories, has lots of praise from the ladies for his attention. It is handy for them in finding addresses of folks in official life.

A. O. MATTHEWS & SONS.

In accordance with our usual custom, our store will be closed on Washington's Birthday, will open on Tuesday with unusual attractions in all departments; many goods marked at prices that will pay to come from a distance.

SHOES.

The shoe sale of the season. Greatest Values Ever Offered in Women's FOOTWEAR.

staple goods, \$4.00 and \$4.50 Shoes, at \$1.73

On Sale, Tuesday, 1,000 pairs Ladies' Fine Vici Kid, Genuine Welton Sole, Button Shoes, smooth insoles, no wax or thread to hurt the feet, broad toe, common sense and comfort lasts only, spring weight extension flexible soles, all this season's goods, perfectly trimmed and finished; these shoes always retail at \$4.00 and \$4.50. We purchased the entire stock from a New York maker at our own price, and why he sacrificed them is a mystery to us, as they are staple goods in the market. If suffering from sore or tender feet try a pair of these shoes. All sizes and widths, 2 1/2 to 8. A. A. B. C. D. and E, at half cost of making, \$1.73 per pair.

SILKS.

Two and Three Toned Taffeta Silks, full range of colors and combinations, suitable for street and house wear, a positive bargain, actual value, 75c; for this sale 30c.

SATEEN SKIRTS.

Black Sateen Skirts, shirred ruffles, full size, our 98c. kind at 50c.

WASH GOODS.

The largest and most complete department in this city; something new to interest and attract every day; note our specials for the coming week.

New 24-inch Percal Print Cloths, floral, figure and stripe effects on white ground, all colors and styles, choice of 100 styles, 50c per yard.

Printed Foulards, new silk styles, navy blue, green, brown and black grounds, Arabesque designs, 50c per yard.

Best Indigo Blue Print Cloth, 50c per yard. Best Cardinal Print Cloth, wool styles, 50c per yard.

Simpson's Best Mourning Prints, all the new styles, 60c per yard. Woven Corded Battiste, a lot of 50 pieces, value 12c, at 6c per yard.

Best Apron Gingham, all styles, 50c per yard. Printed Dimity, new effects, elsewhere 12c, our price 10c per yard.

Fancy Cotton Shepherds Checks, 9c per yard. Heavy Cotton Plaids, bright wool styles, 12c per yard.

Half Wool Plaids, 50 pieces only, original price, 25c; two styles left, to close at 7c per yard.

30-inch Percalines, finest cloth made in America, over 100 new exclusive styles, light, medium or dark grounds, 12c per yard.

A lot of Cotton Crepe, all colors, to close at 7c per yard; were 10c, 12c, 15c per yard.

BIBLES.

Self-publishing Teacher's Bible, large print, with maps and references, Divinity circuit, regular price \$2.00; special at \$1.50.

Children's Bibles, medium print, Divinity circuit, real Morocco binding, special at 9c.

Child's Catholic Prayer Book, special at 15c. Cards and Wedding Invitations engraved, Orders promptly attended to.

RUSSIAN HOUNDS FOR DAKOTA WOLVES.

From The Minneapolis Journal. H. N. Murphy, of Fargo, got in here today from Chicago with five great Russian hounds, bred by the Major, near the Dakota Bad Lands. The hounds are immense, bristling, ferocious-looking creatures, but they are as kind and gentle as puppies, and they exhibit their fighting qualities in the settlement of personal differences or when engaged in a chase.

REPAIRING "OLD BET" MONUMENT.

The work is being done under the direction and at the expense of Mrs. William Bailey, the widow of William Bailey, nephew of Hachaliah Bailey, who erected the monument, the circumstances of which are as peculiar as they are interesting. About a hundred years ago a French showman brought to the United States an elephant, believed to be the first one in the country. The first place he exhibited the elephant, "Old Bet," was in New York City, where it attracted large crowds of people. One of these occasions Hachaliah Bailey, a wealthy farmer of this place, saw the animal purchasing a half-interest in the elephant. He immediately gave up farming and travelled all over the United States and Canada, exhibiting the animal to thousands of people, and accumulating considerable money. And a pint of whiskey often makes a pock of trouble.

FURNITURE. Ladies' Jackets.

Our Prices for RELIABLE FURNITURE Speak for Themselves. Largest and best line of Leather and Box Seat Dining Chairs shown, worth from \$2.00 to \$10.00; our prices special from \$1.50 to \$6.25.

The regular price of this Chair is \$4.00; we will sell 10 sets only at \$2.50 each for side Chairs, and \$4.75 for Arm Chair. Upholstered spring leather seats, \$3.98.

This style, solid oak, well made and finished, five leaves, \$6.50; seven leaves \$7.98.

50 other styles, from \$3.50 to \$50.00.

BEDROOM SUITS.

3-piece Suit, dresser with large mirror, regular \$28.50, special at \$20.00.

3-piece Birdseye Maple, regular price \$40.00; special at \$32.50.

3-piece Curly Birch Suit, regular price \$30.50; special at \$20.00.

2 cardinals Chiffoniers, worth \$6.00 to \$15.00, at \$4.75 to \$11.00.

CARPETS.

Our exhibit in this department for the coming season far surpasses all previous efforts. Large variety of styles, selected from all the leading manufacturers at unusually low prices, a good place to purchase and save money.

One item of many, 30 pieces of Moquettes at 70c per yard. Remnants of Straw Matting, 1 to 20 yard lengths, formerly 15c to 40c, at 10c and 15c per yard.

Oilcloths and Linoleums in large variety.

HOUSEFURNISHINGS.

MIRRORS, plain and bevel, oak frames, 1,000 at bargain prices. Old price \$2.00, 50c, 75c, 90c. New price \$1.20, 30c, 50c, 55c.

Old price \$1.98, \$1.15, \$1.75. New price \$1.00, 60c, 80c, 98c.

Old price \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.25, \$3.75. New price \$1.25, \$1.65, \$2.25, \$2.50.

Table Oilcloth, manufacturer's imperfections, 9c per yard. Brooms, 10c each. Cylinder Gas Heating Stoves, \$1.75 kind, for 98c.

CHINA.

White China Plates, Open Vegetable Dishes, Mustard Jars, Decorated Plates, Fruit Saucers, Yellow Pie Plates in three sizes, and other articles on the 5c table.

Special sale of HIGH-GRADE CRYSTAL GLASSWARE, the newest, finest styles just put in the market, not 5c or 10c goods.

BABy CARRIAGES, plus lined, for one day only, \$7.50 kind, at \$5.75. On Third Floor.

National Encyclopaedias.

Universal Reference Book, with map, illustrations and pronunciations complete, two volumes, in cloth \$1.50 each; leather, \$1.94 each.

Funk & Wagnalls' Standard Dictionary, complete, sheepskin binding, without index, \$9.98; with index, \$10.98.

FULTON STREET, GALLATIN PLACE AND LIVINGSTON STREET.

LOGES OF ODD FELLOWS TO COMBINE. FOUR ORGANIZATIONS VOTE TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR FORCES.

Crytal Wave Lodge of Odd Fellows decided at a meeting held in Fraternity Hall, No. 300 Bedford-st., on Friday evening, to consolidate with Stella Lodge, No. 1, and Lexington Lodge, which have already voted to combine. The vote in favor of consolidation was unanimous in the Crystal Wave Lodge. The members of the four lodges are congratulating each other upon the prospect of a speedy union.

The consolidation will add the lodges in a financial way and enable them to keep a good-sized surplus in their treasury. There will be a membership of at least 40, and the lodge will be the largest in the State of New York.

FURNITURE. Ladies' Jackets.

We place on sale Tuesday our entire stock of Ladies' High-grade Jackets, this season's goods, of the finest materials, workmanship and linings. These goods are of a much higher grade than we have ever shown before, and consist of Fine Fur Trimmed, Tight or Loose Fitting, Braided or Plain Jackets, and positively the greatest values ever offered. Come early for first choice.

105 Ladies' Finest Grade WINTER JACKETS, some with fur trimmings, others handsomely braided or plain, all beautifully lined throughout, regular \$12.00 to \$40.00 qualities; Tuesday at \$6.85.

50 Ladies' Fine Cheviot and Serge TAILOR-MADE SUITS, lined throughout with heavy taffeta silk, velvet binding, big value at \$20.00; special at \$13.98.

Dress Goods.

Exhibit of New and Beautiful Dress Goods, for spring and summer wear; styles handsomer than ever, prices the lowest. We quote a few bargains selected at random; others proportionately low.

35-inch Fancy Shepherd Checks, navy blue, brown, black and green, 25c per yard.

35-inch American Novelty Suitings, same styles as goods at \$1.00; chevrons and worsted effects, 30c per yard.

35-inch New Worsted Novelities made by the celebrated Jamestown mills, 40c per yard.

45-inch French Henrietta Cloth, all the new colorings, good value, 48c per yard.

Fine 54-inch Broadcloths, all the new shades, 50c, 75c, 98c per yard.

45-inch Fine Twill French Serge, pure Australian wool, all colors and black, for this lot only, 25c per yard.

BLACK GOODS.

On Bargain Table, 38-inch Silk Lustré Brilliant pure Turkish mohair, wear and color guaranteed, while they last, 30c per yard.

35-inch Figured Black Brilliant, silk styles, 47c per yard.

A new fabric, DAMASSE, corded mohair damasse, bright, silky mohair figured on corded ground, on sale here only, 50c per yard.

45-inch Mohair, fine and lustrous, equal to silk for effect, 60c per yard.

Storm Serges, some special values, at 40c, 50c, 75c per yard.

Fine All Wool Henrietta, 45-inch silk finish, two-ply warp, made from best Australian wool, special values, at 50c, 75c, 98c, \$1.15.

Handkerchiefs.

Another purchase of RELIABLE HANDKERCHIEFS, manufactured in Ireland and S. Gall, Switzerland. They will be ticketed and ready for sale on Tuesday morning; we believe this is the LARGEST PURCHASE ever made by any retail house in the country; if they had not been exceedingly cheap, so that we could offer them VERY MUCH UNDER the regular prices, the purchase would not have been made. They will be marked at such an advantage, you will probably buy enough to last for a year or longer, 5c, 10c, 12c, 19c, 25c, 39c, 48c.

Many half usual prices. Initial Handkerchiefs for ladies and gentlemen.

QUEER ROAD-BUILDING MATERIALS.

Jacksonville (Fla.) correspondence of The Chicago Record.

"They have a novel sort of road down here," continued General Stone, "that is delightful to ride over. It is known as fibre road, and is made of the refuse of the palm fibre that is used for brooms, brushes, baskets and other purposes. They spread this waste eight or ten inches deep upon a foundation of sand, and then spread sand over it. When mastered by the rain the fibre and the sand pack closely and become a solid substance, even more elastic than tarhack. There are seven miles of fibre road here, being covered with a coat of sand, and the shavings from the mills that saw shingles with the grain of the wood are laid on a short roadway with great success. Another good road in Florida is made of the fossilized shells from De Leon County, but it is more expensive on account of the transportation."

IT LOSES NOTHING.

From The Chicago Times-Herald. A scientist says that a peck of corn makes a pint of whiskey. And a pint of whiskey often makes a pock of trouble.