

THE JEFFERSON BURNED.

WELL KNOWN HOTEL AT RICHMOND DESTROYED—GUESTS NARROW ESCAPE.

Richmond, Va., March 29.—The Main-st. front of the Jefferson Hotel, erected by the late Lewis Ginter at a cost of about \$1,000,000, was destroyed by fire to-night. The flames were discovered in the upper part of the building...

VISIT OF THE GOVERNOR.

TO CONFER WITH SENATOR PLATT AND OTHERS TO-DAY—NO CHANGE AS TO POLICE LEGISLATION.

Governor Odell came to the city yesterday afternoon in order to review the 1st Regiment last night and to attend to some private business. He went directly to the Fifth Avenue Hotel. He will be in the city all day to-day...

METHODIST SOCIAL UNION DINNER.

PRESIDENT REED SAYS THAT COLLEGE MEN SHOULD GO INTO POLITICS.

About seventy-five men and women of the Methodist Social Union sat down to a dinner at the St. Denis Hotel last night. Frank Moss, the president of the Union, was toastmaster.

LARGER STAFF PROPOSED.

BILL TO INCREASE GREATLY EMPLOYES OF SENATE AND ASSEMBLY.

Albany, March 29.—Senator Ellsworth in the Senate and Assemblyman Aldrich in the Assembly today introduced a bill making a vast number of changes in the staff of employees of the Senate and Assembly.

STOCK OF TWO BANKS GOES UP.

RELIEF THAT THE NATIONAL CITY AND THE NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE WILL BE DEPOSITORIES OF STEEL CORPORATION'S FUNDS.

Wall Street is viewing with much interest the rapid appreciation in value of the stock of New York's two largest national banks, the National City Bank and the National Bank of Commerce.

WARRA NOT IN PORT ON SAILING DAY.

DELAYED AT GIBRALTAR BY FRICTION AND ON THE OCEAN, PERHAPS BY STORMS.

The steamer Werra, scheduled to start for Naples to-day, will not sail, as she did not arrive on time. It was said at the office of the North German Line yesterday that she left Gibraltar two days late...

SUBWAY COMPANY'S PURCHASE.

A meeting of the directors of the Rapid Transit Subway Construction Company was held yesterday to ratify the purchase of the buildings No. 22 to 25 and No. 23 West One-hundred-and-fourth-st. This was made in order to facilitate the work of building the One-hundred-and-fourth-st. section of the tunnel.

The Most Extraordinary Offerings of this SILVER ANNIVERSARY MONTH

For this Last Day of the Sale Each day this month has been remarkable in its merchandise offerings. We have made announcements never matched in the history of retailing, in which this store has held such a foremost place.

Last Offerings of the CHINA SALE

The most remarkable Sale of China ever known in March, ends to-day. Hundreds of little lots must be cleaned up quickly. The prices that have made this month so extraordinary, are clipped still closer for the last day of the sale...

- Dinner Sets—At \$15, worth \$27.50—Theo. Haviland 100-piece sets; pink flowers and gilt. At \$20, worth \$39—Theo. Haviland 100-piece sets. At \$25, worth \$35—Chas. Field Haviland 100-piece sets. At \$12.50, worth \$22.50—Austrian 101-piece sets. At \$10, worth \$18—Finest American porcelain; 100-piece sets. At \$7.50, worth \$10—English porcelain; 100-piece sets. At \$5, worth \$9—English porcelain; 100-piece sets.

- Cups and Saucers—In French and Austrian china, new decorations, and styles, at 25c each; worth 50c. Cut Glass—Bowls, 8 in., \$2.50 and \$3; regularly \$5, \$6, \$8, \$10, \$12, \$15, \$20, \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45, \$50, \$55, \$60, \$65, \$70, \$75, \$80, \$85, \$90, \$95, \$100, \$105, \$110, \$115, \$120, \$125, \$130, \$135, \$140, \$145, \$150, \$155, \$160, \$165, \$170, \$175, \$180, \$185, \$190, \$195, \$200, \$205, \$210, \$215, \$220, \$225, \$230, \$235, \$240, \$245, \$250, \$255, \$260, \$265, \$270, \$275, \$280, \$285, \$290, \$295, \$300, \$305, \$310, \$315, \$320, \$325, \$330, \$335, \$340, \$345, \$350, \$355, \$360, \$365, \$370, \$375, \$380, \$385, \$390, \$395, \$400, \$405, \$410, \$415, \$420, \$425, \$430, \$435, \$440, \$445, \$450, \$455, \$460, \$465, \$470, \$475, \$480, \$485, \$490, \$495, \$500, \$505, \$510, \$515, \$520, \$525, \$530, \$535, \$540, \$545, \$550, \$555, \$560, \$565, \$570, \$575, \$580, \$585, \$590, \$595, \$600, \$605, \$610, \$615, \$620, \$625, \$630, \$635, \$640, \$645, \$650, \$655, \$660, \$665, \$670, \$675, \$680, \$685, \$690, \$695, \$700, \$705, \$710, \$715, \$720, \$725, \$730, \$735, \$740, \$745, \$750, \$755, \$760, \$765, \$770, \$775, \$780, \$785, \$790, \$795, \$800, \$805, \$810, \$815, \$820, \$825, \$830, \$835, \$840, \$845, \$850, \$855, \$860, \$865, \$870, \$875, \$880, \$885, \$890, \$895, \$900, \$905, \$910, \$915, \$920, \$925, \$930, \$935, \$940, \$945, \$950, \$955, \$960, \$965, \$970, \$975, \$980, \$985, \$990, \$995, \$1000.

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Two SHOE STORES Offer the Best Bargains Yet.

Our shoe people thought the unmatched prices in the bargain stores would fill them with eager buyers today. But they have joined this "last day" movement, and cut still lower the splendid bargains, to make this the greatest day of this spring's business.

Men's Shoes—At \$1.25, from \$2.50 and more—Of black goatskin, satin calf, box calf and enamel; also low shoes of kidskin, with welted soles.

Women's Shoes—At \$1.50, from \$3—Of enamel and patent leather, and wax calf-skin; all sizes.

Boys' Shoes—At \$1.15, from \$1.75—Of black satin calf; stout but flexible; soles of good weight; plenty of toe-room; all have heels; sizes 11 to 2.

Women's Shoes—Women's, girls' and children's Oxford ties, of black and tan kid and calfskin, and patent leather; all spring heels; good-looking; from our own stocks. Values have been up to \$3; now, sizes 8 1/2 to 10 1/2, \$6; 11 to 6, \$1.20.

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VENDOR'S ACCIDENT LEADS TO WILD TALE

BRIGHT BAUBLES SCATTERED IN FRONT OF TIP-FANNY, AND STORY OF LOSS OF GEMS FOLLOWS. A street vendor who carried a quantity of cheap imitation gems in a basket was passing Tiffany's at Broadway and Pitt-st., yesterday afternoon when he was jostled accidentally and his basket fell on the sidewalk. Many of the bright pieces of glass rolled about on the sidewalk, and some boys

ILLNESS OF GEORGE Q. CANNON.

San Francisco, March 29 (Special).—George Q. Cannon, first vice-president and real head of the Mormon Church, is critically ill at the Hotel Del Monte, Monterey. So serious is his condition that to-day his two sons were summoned from Salt Lake City by wire, and started this evening with the family attorney for their father's bedside. Mr. Cannon is seventy-three years old and has

ODELL'S LETTER REACHES PARKHURST.

THE DOCTOR SAYS IT "ACQUITS SENATOR PLATT OF THE CHARGE OF ARROGANTLY INTERFERING WITH GOVERNMENTAL PREROGATIVES." The Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst yesterday received a letter from Governor Odell in reply to the

ONE WHICH HE SENT TO THE GOVERNOR PRAISING HIM

for his attitude on the police bill. Dr. Parkhurst declined to give Mr. Odell's reply to the reporters, but he said: The Governor's frank and courteous letter just received is utterly innocent of that acrobatic which interested parties have been assiduously propagating for it. Although the letter is a personal one to myself, I don't think the Governor would regard me as violating a confidence if I say that the entire communication amounts to this: that I believe I misconceived Mr. Platt's attitude toward him and it acquits the Senator of the charge of arrogantly and meddlesomely interfering with gubernatorial prerogatives.

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