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rites for Mr. Sloan to-day. Masonic Lodge Will Send Delegation to Funeral Service. Attended by delegations from St. John's Masonic Lodge, the Oldest Inhabitants' Association, the board of directors of the District National Bank, and other societies.

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WAGNER SCOUTS IDEA

Railing on Engines Would Be Dangerous, He Says.

NOW EQUIPPED WITH STRAPS

Suggestion to Commissioners Not Favored by Department Head—Recommends All Engines Be Provided with Double Seats, So Man Can Ride Beside the Driver.

In connection with the accidental death of William Cato, a fire-engine driver, on February 14, W. Scantlebury, of Anacostia, has written the Commissioners, and suggested the placing of a rail on the front of the engines to protect the drivers.

Chief Wagner yesterday declared a rail would be impracticable, as it would interfere with the driver and prevent the proper control of the horses. He stated that each engine in the department is equipped with straps for the driver's use.

Straps Prove Dangerous.

He further stated he would not recommend that drivers be compelled to strap themselves in their seats, as a comparison of the records show that, while some drivers have been thrown from their engines because of the absence of straps, an equal number have been killed or injured on account of being strapped in their place and being unable to release themselves in time of accident.

Chief Wagner recommended that all fire engines be provided with double seats, so a man can ride beside the driver and the liability of accident considerably reduced. He said all engines purchased by the District in the last five years have been provided with double seats, and other engines not so equipped will be altered as rapidly as the funds available for the purpose will permit.

PIONEER RESIDENT DEAD.

William Henry Gafford Victim of Cardiac Trouble.

Funeral services for William Henry Gafford, a pioneer resident of Washington, who died Wednesday morning, will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the family residence, 1019 Wisconsin avenue. Burial will follow in Rock Creek Cemetery.

Pallbearers, to be chosen from among members of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association, of which Mr. Gafford was a member, have not yet been selected.

Mr. Gafford lived in this city for more than forty years, being born near Church Hill, Queen Anne County, Md., October 17, 1834. He was assistant superintendent of Oak Hill Cemetery, and at odd times was superintendent of the old Graceland Cemetery and the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Death came after a short illness of cardiac troubles. He is survived by a son, William, who left his father four years ago, and has not been heard from for several months.

PLEADS FOR SCHOOL CHILD.

Prof. McMurray, of Columbia University, Lectures on Teaching.

"What is good teaching," was the subject of a lecture given Wednesday evening at Business High School, by Prof. Frank McMurray, head instructor in English at Columbia University, New York City.

"There is too much of the wisdom of the teacher shown in the schools to-day," said Prof. McMurray. "The child fails to have an opportunity to express his own opinion of things, he should be given a part in the elimination of those ideas which are wholly of a disinteresting value to him, and should be cultivated to the power of being able to judge in the selection of the important things and the neglect of the unimportant."

"It is bad for the child to be allowed to swallow everything his or her teacher says. They should not hesitate to ask questions when something is told them that they do not understand. This is the greatest of all faults in the American schools, and the teacher should stop trying to discover the limited knowledge of the pupils, for the mere purpose of grading them, but be open to questions from the entire class, more often than has been the practice in the past."

IRVING STREET HOUSE SOLD.

W. C. Kremkau Pays \$3,750 for a Residence Recently Completed.

Willie, Gibbs & Daniel have sold for George P. Newton one of the new colonial brick houses just completed on the north side of Irving street, between the Soldiers' Home grounds and Warder street northwest. The premises sold, 449 Irving street, has six spacious rooms, tiled bath, and is heated by furnace. It has a massive colonial porch across the front.

The house occupies a lot twenty feet wide by a depth of ninety feet. William C. Kremkau, the purchaser, will occupy the premises. It is understood that \$3,750 was paid for the property. The houses in question have an unusually picturesque outlook toward the south, extending over the Howard University reservoir and the surrounding area, which will be embraced within McMillan Park. It is expected that sidewalks will be immediately laid connecting these houses with Georgia avenue. A new row of Roman brick dwellings is now being erected east of these houses.

Wife Demands Alimony.

Margaret E. Mathews yesterday brought suit against Holmes B. Mathews for limited divorce, alleging cruelty and non-support. They were married June 4, 1900, at Baltimore, and have three children. Mathews is alleged to be a clerk in the money order division of the city post-office, drawing a salary of \$109 a month. Plaintiff asks the court for the custody of the children and alimony.

May Solve National Question.

A test case begun yesterday in the Police Court before Judge Mulloy may solve for the United States government the question: What is ice cream? The defendant is Joseph J. Bischof, a baker and confectioner at 129 H street northeast, who is charged with violating the pure food and drug act of June 30, 1906. The government is endeavoring to obtain a conviction, on which future prosecutions may be based.

Lectures on Dante.

Mgr. Thomas J. Shanahan delivered the seventh lecture in the midwinter course at the Catholic University yesterday. His address was on the "Life and works of Dante."

PLACES OF INTEREST.

Library of Congress—Open 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. on regular days; from 2 p. m. to 10 p. m. on Sundays and on certain holidays. Public Library—Open 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. on holidays, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. on Sundays, 2 to 9 p. m. White House—Open 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. United States Capitol—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Corcoran Gallery of Art—Open (free) Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 9:30 to 4 p. m.; Sunday, 1:30 to 4:30 p. m. Other days, 25c admission. State, War, and Navy Departments—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. (The original Declaration of Independence is in the library at the State Department.) United States Treasury—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. United States Patent Office—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. United States Pension Bureau—Open 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. United States Post-office—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. Washington City Post-office—Open all hours. (The Dead Letter Office is in the city post-office.) National Botanic Garden—Open 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Fish Commission—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Army Medical Museum—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. National Museum—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. (including holidays.) Agricultural Department—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Bureau of Engraving and Printing—Open 9 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. Washington Monument (555½ feet in height)—Open 8:30 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. (Elevator runs from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.) Business Institution—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. (including holidays.) Government Printing Office—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. Navy Yard—Open 9 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Southworth Cottage, 56th and Prospect ave. Key Mansion—Home of Francis Scott Key, author of "The Star Spangled Banner," 3315 M street northwest. Open daily, except Sunday, 9 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Admission free.

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