THE BOWIE MURDER.

The Investigation Causes More Arrests.

A PIECE OF CARPET AS A CLUE

Hints of a Readiness on "Judge Lynch's" Part to Save Prince George's County the Cost of Trying Those Suspected of the Crime.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

LOWER MARLBORO', MD., April 1.—The reward of $1,000 offered for the apprehension of the Bowie murderers has started out many amateur detectives and everybody about is looking for a clue. Sheriff Middleton of Prince George's county, and his officers made four additional arrests yesterday and the sheriff is now confident that before many hours have elapsed he will have sufficient proof to fix the crime upon the guilty ones.

Henry Johnson and Allen Hall, both colored, were the first ones arrested yesterday, and from the fact that Sheriff Middleton swore out the warrant for Johnson's arrest it is thought he has obtained some tangible proof against him.

Last night, only a short time before the hour of midnight, Deputy Sheriff George Dove reached Lower Marlboro'. He was in a covered wagon and drove immediately to the jail, where he incarcerated a colored man named George Addison, whom it is said will probably furnish evidence against some of those already under arrest.

The piece of carpet taken from the well and two pairs of cotton drawers found in a cupboard in a tenement house near the scene of the murder promise to take an important part in the investigation. The drawers were found yesterday, and their condition indicated that they had been worn by men who had been about the fishing spots in Western branch, some distance below the scene of the crime.

THE CARPET CLUE.

Johnson, one of those arrested yesterday, was found on the farm of Mr. Samuel Edelin. A piece of carpet thought to be the piece taken from the well was given to Johnson's father by Mrs. Hills, and it is hoped that through the prisoner the officers may be able to trace it to some one who was either implicated in the

THE SPOT WHERE MR. BOWIE WAS KILLED.

affair or who knows considerable about it. Allen Hall, who was arrested at the same time, is a fifteen-year-old boy. He is an adopted child of Daniel Barber's and it is claimed that on Monday following the murder he carried a message from Barber to Pinkney.

If the finding of the cotton drawers has any significance, the detectives think they were worn by the men who were fishing and that the murder was the result of a quarrel about the fishing spots adjoining the Bowie farm.

Sheriff Middleton left here last night and had not returned at an early hour this morning.

A RUMORED CONFESSION.

A rumor prevailed yesterday that William Pinkney, one of the negroes under arrest, had made a confession, and it had the effect of exciting many Marylanders who reside in this section, and had the rumor not been denied so promptly it is thought there would have been trouble, and there was an outward indication of the readiness of "Judge Lynch" to save the county the expense of a trial and also to make an example for the benefit of the future safety of the residents.

It is expected that when Sheriff Middleton returns he will bring other prisoners or will be in possession of additional information which will clear the mystery surrounding the murder.

WHEN THE COURT MEETS.

Court meets Monday and persons from all parts of the county will be here. This may result in furnishing additional clues if the crime is not definitely fixed upon some person or persons before that time.

It is not the intention of the sheriff and state's attorney to give a preliminary hearing in the case, as such action, it is thought, will undoubtedly lead to trouble in event of the parties being held, and for that reason it is thought best to take the case before the grand jury in the first instance.

As heretofore stated in THE STAR the crime was committed Sunday night on the Bowie farm, not far from Upper Marlboro'. Mr. Bowie, who was one of the wealthiest citizens in this sec-

THE WELL WHERE THE BODY WAS FOUND.

tion, had been here on Sunday and had returned home early in the afternoon. He left his home and went over to look after his cattle. After putting his sheep in the barn and locking the door he started in the direction of his home, evidently going over a private road extending through his place and passing a large unoccupied house on another part of the large farm. This house is nearly three-quarters of a mile from the house in which the deceased lived. The well in which the body was found was tightly covered and it is thought that Mr. Bowie stopped there to secure the bucket and chain because it was so far from his house that he feared thieves would visit it and carry off the chain and bucket. The bucket had evidently been taken from the well by the man who was afterward so foully dealt with, for it was found locked in the barn that he had visited when he locked his cattle in the building. It is probable that he started to take the chain to the house, intending to use it, for it was found near his hat and both were picked up some distance from the tree and in a direction entirely different from that in which the body was taken to the ravine and afterward to the well.

His murderers no doubt intended to separate the dead man and his belongings in a manner to throw searchers entirely off the track when they carried the chain and hat off in the direction they did.

THE SEARCH.

Mr. Bowie had left home on horseback and had undoubtedly started home in that manner, but was probably leading the horse and carrying the heavy chain when he was felled with a blow of a heavy locust club. When he failed to return home his wife became uneasy, and when, about 10 o'clock, she discovered that the horse had returned with bridle and saddle, but without its master, she had search instituted by a colored man named Stewart, who lived at the

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house. He searched for two hours, but probably did not go far from the house. At any rate, he failed to report that he had found any trace of his employer. The search was abandoned at midnight. Mrs. Bowie had not the slightest idea that her husband had been foully dealt with. She rather thought he had been taken sick and had dropped from his horse. Still it was useless to continue the search that night, so she waited until early Monday morning, when she addressed a note to Mr. Halley Moran, who lives here. The note was as follows:

"Mr. Moran:

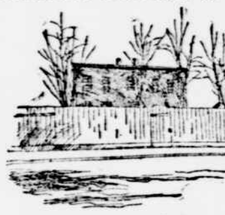
"Dear Sir—Please come up immediately. I want you to help search the place for Mr. Bowie. He went out yesterday afternoon to get up the sheep and as he did not get in by dark I had him looked for up to 12 o'clock, but could find no sign of him. The horse he was riding came home with its saddle and bridle on. Truly, MRS. FRANK BOWIE."

The receipt of this note early Monday morning was the first news of the sad tragedy received here. At the same time a similar note was received by Magistrate Harris.

Constable Samuel Sweeney, the law officer of this place, was notified of the affair by Mr. Moran and he was among the first to reach the Bowie farm.

It was through the efforts of these men that the body of the victim was finally found.

Mr. Edward King, a neighbor of the Bowies, was called to the house early in the morning



THE MARLBORO' JAIL.

and he first discovered the blood in the ravine. He then returned to the house and imparted the news to the woman who had been made a widow under the most painful and distressing circumstances. "I have found enough," he reported, "to warrant the assertion that there has been foul play."

Blood was first discovered beneath the large walnut tree where the locust club with matted hair and blood was found upon it, and from the tree the blood was tracked to near the edge of the ravine, which is within a yard of the farm road and not more than a hundred feet from where the deed was committed. Near the edge of the ravine, where the body had undoubtedly rested for some time, was the largest pool of blood found, although it is certain that more blood was spilled, for in a number of places in the field was found clotted blood, showing evidence of the blood beneath the tree having been taken up by the murderers and scattered in all directions, to conceal as much as possible the evidence of their crime. How long the dead man's body rested on the brink of the ravine is, of course, not known, but it was evidently left there for some time, as there is no doubt that it was there that the murderer or murderers covered portions of the dead man's body and head with guano sacks and carpet.

From the ravine to the well, a distance of fully half a mile, not a drop of blood was to be found, and it was to conceal the hiding place of the body that the dead man's head and body were tied with the sacking.

Half a mile below the ravine is the Western branch, where fishermen were working at their nets Sunday evening, and it is more than likely that the murderer or murderers intended to conceal the body, but afterward changed their minds and went to the well near the unoccupied house.

SCENE OF THE MURDER.

The ground about the ravine as well as the woods and fields were examined and the searchers for the missing man had looked in every nook and corner before it was suggested that his body was in the well.

A lantern was lowered into the well, but as there was about eight feet of water in it nothing of course could be seen of the body. Bucket hooks were procured and even after they had been lowered several times, without success, the searchers were about to give up the task as hopeless, but Constable Sweeney insisted that the body was there and that the rope was not long enough. Another piece of rope was obtained and when lowered they hooked something, apparently clothing, and when raised to the surface evidence of woolen goods was found on them. Again and again they were lowered. Then something heavy clung to the hooks and Constable Sweeney, who was manipulating the hooks, was unable to raise it to the top of the well.

FINDING THE CORPSE.

Something broke and there was a splash. That splash conveyed something more than the ordinary splash of a well bucket or tin can, and when the hooks reached the top of the well a piece of the dead man's coat was found attached to it. This satisfied the searchers that the body was there, and Mr. W. W. Cosden, a well digger, who was in the neighborhood, was sent for, and with the aid of his rigging he descended the well and fished the body to the surface, fastening a rope around the body of the dead man.

The fall and tackle were brought into play and the dead body was raised to the surface. It presented a ghastly sight. One blow inflicted on the chin of the victim had cut the flesh and torn it from the neck, laying it bare, the long beard of the dead man hanging from the piece of torn flesh that had been cut from the neck. The other and fatal wound was just above the ear, and this blow had broken the frontal bone and inflicted an injury from the effects of which recovery was impossible.

Following the finding of the body the well was cleaned out, and it was then that the guano sacks and piece of carpet were found.

The arrest of J. Wesley Johnson was made late Tuesday evening, but it was soon made sure that he was not in any way implicated in the crime, although he is wanted in Anne Arundel county on a charge of theft. The arrest of Barber and Pinkney followed, and then the officers went to work to secure what evidence they could in the case.

FEAST OF THE PASSOVER.

Celebration of the Great Hebrew Festival in the Synagogues Today.

At sunset last evening the joyous Feast of the Passover was inaugurated in the Jewish synagogues of the city. The feast, which continues eight days, was begun with home services, and today at the synagogues music was a leading feature of the elaborate services.

At the home services the father or head of the family read to the household the narrative of the exodus out of Egypt, followed by the drinking of bitter herbs to symbolize the bitterness of slavery. Wine was drunk to emphasize the pleasure of freedom.

During the remaining days of the feast the services are symbolic of the passage of the Israelites from out of Egyptian bondage, the passage through the Dead sea and their final deliverance. The services are especially instructive to the children through their symbolical character, although designed both for young and old.

Rabbi Stern of the Eighth Street Synagogue conducted the services before quite a large congregation. The musical part of the services was both elaborate and delightful, and Rabbi Stern's sermon was an eloquent allusion to the lessons to be learned through the advent of the spring season.

Spring, he said, proclaimed with a thousand tongues nature's sweet message of life and hope; that there was no real doubt, but that with God all was life and joy. Spring's deliverance from the slavery of winter was symbolical of the deliverance of Israel from the bonds of Egyptian slavery.

While Israel today lived, he said, its oppressors of old, once mighty and many, had sunk into oblivion. Forming perhaps but a small part of the different nations in which they today dwelt, yet the Israelites were integral parts of those nations.

In France the Jew was a Frenchman, in England an Englishman and in America an American. Storms might rage against them, but they would give way at last to sunshine and peace, and the lesson of the day, "I shall not die, but live to relate the glorious works of God," would come to pass.

Sons of the American Revolution.

At a meeting of the District of Columbia Society, S. A. R., held at the Arlington Hotel last night with Gen. J. C. Breckinridge, U. S. A., president of the society in the chair, changes in the constitutions of the local and national societies were considered, several new members were installed and several others elected. The delegates to the National Society, which meets in New York city, April 30, and to the triennial conclave, which meets in Chicago on Bunker Hill day, June 17, were elected to represent the District of Columbia Society: Gen. Breckinridge, Justice Brewer, Prof. Cabell and Gen. Shields, Prof. Goode and Prof. Clark being delegates ex-officio.

THE Young Men's Christian Association has decided to give an athletic and musical entertainment, the proceeds to be devoted to athletics, at the Washington Light Infantry armory on April 25.

The Outflow of Gold

is decreasing, but the output of Old Dominion Cigarettes continues to increase. Photograph in each package.

A GAY TIME COMING.

Hospitalities on the Program for the Coming Week.

THE REVIVAL OF SOCIETY.

The Ladies of the Cabinet—The Diplomatic Corps and Its New Dignities—Some of the Events of the Past Week—Weddings That Have Taken Place—Some That Are to Be.

The Easter season promises very well indeed from the start. Invitations are plentiful and the variety is profuse. There is of plenty time to catch your breath between the events, which is both sensible and seasonable. Nobody would, even if they could, keep up the old pace of the winter. Simpler pleasures are more in taste, and the fewer there are the greater the enjoyment for each. If the weather is bright and sunny the chances of showing off one's new finery will be ample. The teas will be regular dress parades from all accounts, as well as rendezvouses where spring and summer plans are to be discussed.

Some of the more notable hospitalities of the coming week are contained in the following list:

MONDAY.

Mrs. and Miss Dalzell, a tea at 5 o'clock to meet the Yale Glee and Banjo Club.

Mrs. Audenreid, a tea—4 to 7—to meet Mrs. Danl. S. Lamont.

In the evening the governors of the Country Club will give a dance.

TUESDAY.

Mrs. Guzman, a tea, 5 to 8, at the Nicaraguan legation.

Calvary Parish Church, 18th street, at 8 o'clock, the double wedding of Miss Sally Dulany Chichester to Mr. Samuel Bridges Loring and Miss Lucy Hunter Chichester to Mr. Douglass Sorrell Mackall.

WEDNESDAY.

St. John's Church, at 12 o'clock, the marriage of Miss Pauline Williamson to Mr. Roy Jones, to be followed by a breakfast for 150 guests at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williamson.

Mrs. Richey, a tea from 5 to 7.

In the evening the double wedding of Miss Martha C. Owens to Mr. George F. Baird and Miss Elizabeth Owens to Mr. Wilfred L. Moulton will take place at West Street Presbyterian Church, Georgetown.

FRIDAY.

Sir Julian and Lady Pauncefote, a dinner at the British embassy.

Mr. W. E. Curtis, director of the bureau of American republics, gave a handsome dinner of twelve covers on Thursday evening, complimentary to Senor Don Peralta, minister of the republic of Costa Rica to the court of Spain. The other guests present were Senator Cockrell, Senor Don Romero, the Mexican minister here; Senor Don Calvo, the Costa Rican charge d'affaires at Washington; Col. H. M. Corbin, Mr. Gardiner G. Hubbard, Mr. J. W. Thompson, Mr. S. H. Kauffmann, Mr. Charles M. Pfoulke, Mr. George Alfred Townsend and Mr. Charles C. Glover. In addition to the rare and beautiful embroideries, china, glass and silver ware, collected by the host and his wife in nearly every quarter of the globe, the table was tastefully decorated with masses of yellow tulips and boutonnieres of violets.

There is not any tangible evidence that the White House will take any part in the Easter social revival. President and Mrs. Cleveland are apt to use what time is left them from their many cares at present for rest and relaxation, and the way they will find it is by riding and driving or any other method that will get them away from the crowd. If Monday is a fine day they can estimate the juvenile population of this city by the gathering in the White House grounds, which will find its particular pleasure in watching the Executive Mansion for glimpses of Baby Cleveland.

It is understood that while so many of the Senators and members and their families are here Mrs. Cleveland will continue her 12 to 1 receptions on Tuesdays and Fridays. She made the same rule while she was mistress of the mansion before and it was found to be generally satisfactory all around.

Mrs. Cleveland drives her phaeton very often now on fine afternoons and sometimes in the mornings. She is a skillful driver and could manage a four-in-hand as well as her own team.

One fact must gratify both the President and Mrs. Cleveland considerably and that is that their public appearances do not create the same amount of unpleasant attention that it used to five years ago. Neither one of them are much given to walking. For the President just at present it would not be much of a treat, as he might have some difficulty in making his pace swifter than those who would wish to talk with him. Mrs. Cleveland is having a much easier time in this regard than she had heretofore, when her presence in a store made the particular counter at which she stopped the rallying point for nearly everybody in the neighborhood. She must have had pretty good evidence that she will not be subjected to the annoyance any more as she drives up and down the streets, stops when and where she pleases and has attracted no more than the respectful attention which will always be given her, no matter whether her home is in the White House or not.

The cabinet ladies are coming to town. Mrs. Carlisle and Miss Herbert are regular residents, but Mrs. Bissell may be said to be here for good and Mrs. Lamont has come for an Easter visit with her trio of bright little daughters.

It looks that for the first time in many cabinets all of the President's advisers will be represented in the line of ladies who will assist Mrs. Cleveland on state occasions. There will be two single ladies in the line in the persons of Miss Herbert and Miss Morton. Miss Herbert is, of course, the youngest lady who has possibly ever graced the line. Secretary of Agriculture Morton will have his sister Miss Morton preside for him when he takes up housekeeping next fall. Mrs. Gresham will head the cabinet ladies always and next her will come Mrs. Carlisle, Mrs. Lamont, Mrs. Olney, Mrs. Bissell, Miss Herbert, Mrs. Hoke Smith and Miss Morton. The cabinet line will therefore begin and end with a western woman and the two southerners, Mrs. Smith and Miss Herbert, will be side by side.

Gossiping on this question the other day, somebody suggested that the unmarried ladies will always be at the head of the line. This is, of course, the sheerest nonsense. Whoever presides over the home of a cabinet officer, whether a married or an unmarried daughter, will represent his household at the White House. The only time this was questioned a little and aroused some feeling was when Miss Frelinghuysen was invited by President Arthur to take her mother's place in line when the latter did not always feel equal to the task herself. Some of the other ladies protested, but before anything like a scene was enacted Miss Frelinghuysen went to the end of the line and made just as smiling bows to the crowds at that point as if she had been three feet nearer the President. Miss Folger was second in the line while her father was at the head of the treasury. Miss Bayard had first place after the death of her mother, and of course it was not questioned. Mrs. Wilmerding took the place her mother held. Miss Herbert's place is therefore as assured as her father's is at the cabinet table.

If the longings of the ladies of the diplomatic corps were properly appreciated by their home governments at this particular juncture their husbands would be all ambassadors before nightfall. There is no disguising the fact that Sir Julian's elevation is envied in keeping with its altitude, and of course every good wife feels the same honor should be and will, in all probability, be paid her husband.

The fact came very strongly to the front the other day when Mrs. Cleveland received the ladies of the corps how very few there are of them. A good three-fourths of the ministers are bachelors or widowers. This naturally adds to their importance in one sense and possibly increases the number of their invitations, but it would be better in the interest of fine establishments if more of the heads of legations or embassies, as some of them will be in the near future, were married.

Owing to the small number of ladies at this reception of Mrs. Cleveland's it was inferred and a statement has been made to the effect that only the ministers' wives and daughters were invited. Both these ladies and all others in each legation were expected. A notice to that effect was sent to the head of each legation by the dean of the corps, Baron Fava, in obedience to a request to him from the State Department. But these notices were delivered so very late on the day of the reception that if there had not been a notice of the proposed reception in THE STAR of the evening previous it is doubtful that even as many ladies would have been present as were.

Senator and Mrs. James K. Jones anticipate remaining in this city until nearly summer time. Miss Jones early in last month returned to Arkansas with some friends. She has very closely applied herself during the past winter to her art studies, finishing several pictures that will be exhibited at the world's fair. Miss Mary Jones is going to Richmond soon to attend the memorial bazaar, the proceeds of which go to the proposed monument in memory of the soldiers and sailors who fell in the confederate service. Miss Jones will assist the ladies in charge of the Arkansas tent. She will go to Arkansas about the middle of May with her brother. Some time during the summer the family will go to the world's fair and then back to Arkansas, to remain until late in the autumn.

Senator and Mrs. Walcott will spend the summer at their place, "Wolhurst," in the valley of the Platte in Colorado, where the latter, who delights in outdoor life, can allow her taste for planting trees and flowers free scope. The place has many fine horses and dogs, to both of which she is equally devoted.

Mrs. Dixon, wife of Senator Dixon, has returned to her home in Westerly, R. I.

A regular meeting of the L'Allegro Club was held last night at the residence of Miss Landon, 1618 6th street northwest, and the next meeting will be held at President Alburger's residence, 1621 6th street northwest, Friday, April 7.

A "cobweb party" was given Wednesday evening at the parlors of Mrs. N. L. King, 818 11th street northeast. There were present many long-time friends of the family and a large delegation from Douglas Memorial Church, in whose benefit the entertainment was given. The prizes won for the most painstaking and successful unraveling of the web, which covered the entire ceiling in the double parlors, were awarded to Miss Mabel King and Miss Tate.

The Misses Deacon of New York are visiting at the Irvington.

Miss Halstead, sister-in-law of ex-Secretary Noble, is located at the Irvington.

Mrs. Hammer, wife of Lawyer Hammer of Chicago, has returned from abroad and is stopping at the Irvington.

Miss Rose M. Allen of Toledo, daughter of Dr. Mary Wood Allen, is spending her Easter holidays with her cousin, Mrs. T. A. Williams of Eckington.

Wednesday's matinee was the occasion of a pleasant gathering of young people to witness the comedy of "Married Life" at Albaugh's, two boxes having been tendered the Misses Armes by the manager, Mr. W. R. Hayden. Their guests were Miss Maisie Brown, Miss Squires, Miss Alverson, Miss Dorothy Rodgers, Miss Smith and Mr. Arthur Wasserbach. The party was chaperoned by Mrs. Theo. Wasserbach. Manager R. W. Hayden of the Stuart Robson Company placed at the disposal of Miss Cicily Armes on Thursday evening a box at Albaugh's, where she entertained as guests Miss Maisie Burnham, Miss Alice Wasserbach, Miss Ethel Armes, Miss Warren, Mrs. Gardner and Mr. Arthur Wasserbach.

Mrs. Charles M. Pepper is slowly recovering from a severe illness and she will not be able to return her calls.

Mrs. Cugle of Baltimore, with her little baby, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Owen, 1315 R street northwest.

Miss Dennis, at the Concord, New Hampshire avenue, has as her guest her cousin, Miss Louise Reader, a graduate of Wellesley.

The Short Story Club entertained a large number of guests at Willard's Hotel on Wednesday evening. Miss Lillian Graves read an interesting story. Dr. L. R. Klemm gave a character sketch. A cornet solo by Mr. Tracey, a song by Mr. Rose, a piano solo by Miss McGinness, a poem by Mrs. M. D. Lincoln, recitations and readings by Mrs. E. J. Engle, Mrs. E. Hort, Gen. Lippitt and Mr. J. H. Whitaker formed the program.

Among those present were: Mrs. Provost, Mrs. J. H. Whitaker, Mrs. Bangs, Mrs. F. Barringer, Miss Bertha Hughes, Miss L. Reed, Mr. F. B. Taylor, Mrs. I. Morrow, Gen. F. J. Lippitt, Dr. and Mrs. Thos. Robinson, Mr. M. E. Lippitt, Miss Lora Van Wagner, Miss McLean, Miss M. Murdock, Miss Helen Engle, Mrs. and Miss Rose, Mr. Rose, Miss Wynkoop, Miss L. Fachtus, Dr. L. R. Klemm, Mrs. Joseph Roy, M. F. Jones, Mrs. L. Crandell, Mrs. J. B. Lockwood, Miss J. Lockwood, Dr. and Mrs. Pomeroy, Miss A. M. O'Connell, Mrs. Joseph Burket, Mrs. and Miss Roome, Mrs. L. T. Watrous, Mrs. Cheney Swain, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Chapman, Mrs. W. H. Briard, Miss Hertford, Miss G. Withington, Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Lighthill, Judge O. N. Riley and Mrs. D. T. Voorhis.

Mrs. W.N. Moore and little daughter have left the city for Boston, accompanied by her guests, Mrs. Guy H. Gibbs of Cambridge and Miss Maude Clayton of Bangor.

Mrs. Walker, wife of Lieut. Thomas D. Walker, has been called to New York by the death of her father.

Mrs. H. A. Arth and her mother are spending a month at the Hygeia, Old Point Comfort.

There was a pretty wedding at the residence of Mrs. F. V. Berry, 1253 G street, on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Miss Annie Harvey, daughter of the late George Harvey, and Mr. George Rector of Virginia were married by Rev. Samuel Greene of Calvary Baptist Church. The house was decorated with flowers and growing plants. The bride wore a gown of light brown broadcloth and velvet, with hat to match. Miss Jennie Harvey, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mr. Louis Weber acted as best man. After the ceremony a collation was served. Mr. and Mrs. Rector took the 2 o'clock train for their future home in Fauquier county, Va.

Among those present were Mrs. Mary Evans, grandmother of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Catts, Mr. Wm. Evans, Mr. B. F. Evans, Mrs. Louis Weber, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Evans and daughters, Miss Hawley, Postmaster and Mrs. Sherwood Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Evans, Mrs. and Miss McDonald, Miss Minnie Cooke, Mrs. Wm. Weber, Miss Berry, Mrs. Geo. Butts, Mrs. Jennie Bagmann, Mr. Louis Weber, Miss Lois Evans, Mr. Geo. Berry, Miss Rector, Mr. and Mrs. Waring Evans.

The many friends of Mrs. F. R. Pattison, who has been seriously ill the past few weeks at the home of her mother, Mrs. B. F. Moxley, on Georgetown Heights, will be glad to learn that she is now resting easier, and has been pronounced by her physicians quite out of danger.

Mrs. George J. Marshall of Hillsdale and Mrs. Johnie Golden, her sister, accompanied by Miss Addie Smallwood, are on a visit to Mrs. Alfred Marshall of Woodstock, Md.

Cards have been received here for the wedding of Mr. William Ballantyne, jr., of this city to Miss Alice Jeffras of Cincinnati. The ceremony will take place next Thursday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, 211 Auburn avenue, Mount Auburn, Cincinnati.

Miss Gertrude Harrison left today to be bridesmaid at one of the most fashionable weddings in Philadelphia on Easter Monday.

The E. S. Assembly dances will be resumed Saturday evening, April 8.

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

STANDS ON SIDEWALKS.

In an opinion sent to the Commissioners today Mr. Thomas, the assistant district attorney, recommends that abutting property owners on Louisiana avenue between 9th and 10th streets, or their lessees, should be notified to remove the goods, stands and stalls now occupying a portion of the sidewalk, so as to permit the sidewalk to be repaired. He adds that the law does not license such permanent obstructions on the streets.

DRUGGISTS UNDER THE NEW LAW.

In reply to an inquiry whether an apothecary's license granted by the Commissioners under the license act of 1871 is good till November Assistant Attorney S. T. Thomas today says that the "case is governed by Judge Miller's decision in the case of the District against Bush, where it was held (by the Police Court) that all liquor licenses granted under the act of 1871 were revoked by the act of Congress approved March 3, 1893, regulating the sale of liquor in the District. Section 11 of the latter governs druggists in the sale of liquor now. I do not think an apothecary's license is good. If he sells liquor he will need the protection of a physician's prescription."

BUILDING PERMITS.

Building permits were issued today as follows: J. T. Cecil, one frame dwelling in Anacostia, $1,200; J. W. Reed, one brick dwelling at 505 P street northwest, $4,000; W. W. Winfree, one brick dwelling at 1029 Jefferson street northwest, $1,600; Chris. Xander, one brick store at 630 Massachusetts avenue northwest, $14,000.

A New Pastor Welcomed.

The lecture room of the Fourth Street M. E. Church was beautifully decorated with flags and bunting and crowded with the members and friends last evening to give the new pastor, Rev. M. F. B. Rice, and family a reception.

George R. Cook, recording secretary, and John W. Wilkerson made addresses of welcome, to which the pastor responded pleasantly. Thos. B. Stahl presented to Mrs. Rice, wife of the pastor, a handsome chamber set, which was received by the pastor on behalf of his wife with thanks.

The Dozey Opera House, Anderson, Ind., was destroyed by fire Thursday night. Loss $50,000, insurance $45,000.

THE EXTRA SESSION.

Mr. Crisp and Mr. Tarsney Both Deny the Conferences Attributed to Them.

As stated some time since in THE STAR, President Cleveland has fully determined to call an extra session of Congress. The date has now been fixed as the 1st of September. Mr. Cleveland has frankly acknowledged this decision to several members of Congress recently. His desire in calling the extra session is principally to have a tariff law enacted at the earliest possible date, the 1st of April being the latest, in order that the law may be in operation for seven months before the public is asked to pass judgment on it in the November elections.

The publication this morning, however, that Speaker Crisp had consulted with the President yesterday, that the President had exacted assurances from the Speaker that the latter would support all his policies and had conferred with him about the committees is denied both at the White House and by the Speaker's friends.

Speaker Crisp was not at the White House yesterday. Those who are close to him say he has had no consultation at all with the President on the lines indicated in the published story.

As to the appointment of committees, Mr. Crisp is not Speaker of the next House and naturally has done nothing on that line.

Mr. Tarsney of Missouri, who is accredited in the published stories with having been sent for by the Speaker subsequent to the alleged interview between the President and the Speaker, says the story of the relations between Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Crisp is too absurd for consideration.

The further statement that he had been offered the chairmanship of the committee on invalid pensions by Mr. Crisp, Mr. Tarsney says is absolutely without foundation. The matter, he says, had not even been discussed; he had neither asked for nor had he been offered any committee assignment.

The foundation for connecting him with the story was probably due to his often-expressed convictions that the necessary reforms in the pension system could not be worked out unless Congress was invited to consider the necessity of such reform: the scope of the necessary reform was pointed out by an executive message, and the formation of the committee on invalid pensions was thoroughly in accord. As for himself, the duties devolving upon such committee were the very last he would desire to assume.

Another evidence of the absurdity of the story, said Mr. Tarsney, was that he should have gratuitously offered an insult to the G. A. R. or any other organization.

THE NEW YORK SUBTREASURY.

Mr. Roberts' Resignation Accepted—A New Subtreasurer Expected Next Week.

United States Treasurer Nebeker will take charge of the New York subtreasury on Monday morning, relieving Subtreasurer Roberts, whose commission as subtreasurer at New York expires today. Accompanying Mr. Nebeker will be eight treasury experts who will remain with him at the subtreasury for a month or more, until the transfer of the money in the subtreasury is effected. Fifteen or twenty other treasury officials will go over to New York during the week to assist in counting the money and making the transfer, which it is thought will take a month to complete.

The President, through Secretary Carlisle, by whose direction this action is taken, has accepted the resignation of Subtreasurer Roberts, to take effect today. It was tendered several months ago and Mr. Roberts has at various times urged its prompt acceptance. Until the transfer of the money in the subtreasury at New York is made either to the treasurer of the United States or the subtreasurer the bond of Mr. Roberts is not relieved from liability.

It is thought that a new subtreasurer at New York will be appointed by the President during next week.

GEN. BERDAN DEAD.

The Soldier and Inventor Expires Suddenly at the Metropolitan Club.

Gen. Hiram Berdan, the famous inventor and soldier, died suddenly in this city yesterday afternoon. He appeared at the Metropolitan Club about 5 o'clock and went into the loggia, where he had a short conversation with Maj. Sanger, secretary of the club, during which he remarked that he did not feel exactly right.

A few minutes later he engaged in a game of chess with an old friend, Admiral Crosby, which had not progressed far when without the least warning he fell from his chair and expired almost immediately.

Drs. T. Morris Murray and Irving T. Rosse were immediately summoned, but they came too late.

Dr. Hyatt, his regular physician, also came as soon as possible.

A hasty examination was made and the conclusion reached that death was due to cerebral hemorrhage or apoplexy. The general had been a sufferer from heart trouble for some time and that complication undoubtedly contributed to his death. The remains were placed in charge of Undertaker Gawler.

All of Gen. Berdan's immediate relatives are in Europe, Mrs. Berdan being in Sorrento, Italy, on a visit to her daughter, who is the wife of the well-known novelist, F. Marion Crawford. His other daughter is the Countess Donan, wife of the French envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Stockholm, Sweden. The news of Gen. Berdan's death was cabled to them, and the funeral will be delayed until their wishes can be ascertained.

Arrangements are being made for the funeral services to take place at St. John's Church at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. The interment will be at Arlington.

HIS DISTINGUISHED CAREER.

Gen. Berdan's name and fame are familiar to all students of American history and modern warfare. He was born at Plymouth, Mich., sixty-nine years ago. He always enjoyed the highest social as well as official distinction.

He was colonel of the first United States sharpshooters on November 30, 1861, and was brevetted brigadier general of volunteers for gallant and meritorious services in the battle of Chancellorsville and major general of volunteers for bravery at the battle of Gettysburg.

The general always took especial pride in the fact that he was the first to introduce repeating rifles into actual and effective service, which he did with the weapon of his own invention.

Among other inventions of Gen. Berdan were his military torpedoes, and more recently his long-range finder, both of which have become almost as famous as his rifle.

Gen. Berdan was for several years in Russia, and because of his services to that government was awarded a considerable sum of money. He entered into contracts with Russia for furnishing the czar's army with large supplies of the celebrated rifle bearing his name.

NO NEWSPAPER WORK.

Naval Officers Must Not in Future Act as Correspondents.

The new regulations for the government of the navy, formulated after several years' consideration, provide, among other things, that naval officers shall not act as correspondents for newspapers. This is not the language of the provision in question, but it is the effect.

The practice of writing for the press has grown in the navy until recently several officers were regularly employed by some of the metropolitan journals to keep them informed of current events in the service.

Some officers have made quite a reputation as correspondents, and always receive good pay for their work. This extra money is quite a consideration to the junior officers with small salaries.

A BLACK LIST

Alleged to Have Been Made Out for the Benefit of Secretary Gresham.

There was considerable consternation at the State Department this afternoon over a rumor that further changes are imminent in the bureau offices, and that but one of the incumbents will be retained in the service. The bureau officer named for retention is Mr. Cridler, chief of the diplomatic bureau.

The basis for the rumor is an allegation that ex-Secretary Foster told Secretary Gresham that all the other bureau chiefs were inefficient, and that a change would benefit the service. He is reported to have left a "black list" of alleged incompetents with Mr. Gresham.

Knocked Down by a Cable Car.

About noon today Thos. W. Rodgerson, about thirty years of age, residing at No. 606 A street southeast, was knocked down by a cable car at the corner of 7th street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest and badly injured. He was taken to his home in the first precinct patrol wagon. It is said that the man attempted to pass before the car and was struck before he could get from the track.

SENATOR BRICE SAW HIM.

How a Thousand Dollars Was Secured by Dr. Bartlett.

SENATOR M'MILLAN OPENS WITH $500—MR. BRICE PROPOSES A RAISE, BUT SUBSEQUENTLY THINKS HE HAD BETTER KEEP HIS MONEY TO HELP OUT OHIO PILGRIMS.

As is well known to the Washington reading public the one hundred and fifth general assembly of the Presbyterian Church will meet here in May next, the first time this city has been chosen for such annual meeting since 1857.

On Sunday week last Dr. W. A. Bartlett of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church stated from the pulpit this fact, and that said church had pledged itself to entertain a certain number of commissioners, and asked for subscriptions and proffers of entertainment of commissioners at private houses.

Responses not being as speedy or liberal as was expected Dr. Bartlett concluded to present the situation to Senator McMillan, a regular attendant of his church, and solicit his aid in the matter. In response to the doctor's card sent in on Tuesday last Senator McMillan promptly appeared at the door.

"I am Dr. Bartlett of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, and I have called to present an important matter, deeply involving the interests of the Presbyterian Church generally and the good name of the New York Avenue Church specially. The one hundred and fifth general assembly—

NO EXPLANATION NECESSARY.

"Excuse me doctor," said senator McMillan with a benign smile invading his countenance. "I am quite sure you can't put the case any stronger than you presented it last Sunday week, and I want you to tell me the proper figures for me to put on a check."

"Well, really," was Dr. Bartlett's reply—somewhat embarrassed by the Senator's prompt and liberal response—"but if I might venture to suggest the sum of $500."

"Certainly," said the Senator, "I will send you a check for that sum at once."

Dr. Bartlett bowed as well as expressed his thanks for the liberal subscription, extended his hand and was about to turn away when the Senator remarked, "Doctor are you acquainted with Senator Brice of Ohio?"

"I have not the honor," said Dr. Bartlett.

"Wait a moment then, please, and I will send for him to come out," and turning to a messenger he requested him to present his compliments to Senator Brice and request his presence at the east door of the Senate. In a moment Senator Brice appeared and was presented to Dr. Bartlett.

BIDDING AGAINST EACH OTHER.

"I have sent for you," remarked Senator McMillan, "for the reason that you have not only the reputation of being a liberal patron of the arts and sciences, but of educational and religious institutions and objects as well, and as the 105th general assembly of the Presbyterian Church meets here in May, and that will be over a thousand commissioners in attendance who are to be taken care of. They are looking for people like you to help them out. I have made a small subscription myself and thought you would be willing to duplicate it."

"Certainly," said Senator Brice. "I will give the same. What was your subscription?"

"Five hundred dollars, I believe; was it not, doctor?"

"That is correct," said Dr. Bartlett.

Senator Brice gave a quick look at Senator McMillan, who smiled serenely in return. Senator Brice thereupon went through his pockets and succeeded in fishing out about five thousand dollars in "pin money," as he termed it, and was about to hand Dr. Bartlett a five hundred dollar bill when he smillingly remarked to Senator McMillan:

TALK DR. BARTLETT DIDN'T UNDERSTAND.

"Don't you think we had better make this a thousand each?"

"All right," was the reply, "but it strikes me, now that you have 'raised' the subscription, that $1,500 cash would be the proper figure"

"No," replies Senator Brice, handing Dr. Bartlett the five hundred dollar bill, "under the circumstances I don't think it would be proper to 'call' you. There are a good many Ohio people here just now without return tickets and the walking is rather bad at present."

This "closed the incident."

THE NEW CHIEF JUSTICE.

A District Man May Preside Over the New Court of Appeals.

It is said that the President has stated that he has made up