SPECIAL NOTICES.

I. FRANK SHREVE IS NO LONGER IN OUR employ, and is not authorized to use our name in any particular. DANENHOWER & CO. ja10-3t*

AN EXAMINATION OF APPLICANTS FOR REGISTration will be held at 808 I st. n.w. on MONDAY, 13th instant, at 9 o'clock a.m. By order of the COMMISSIONERS OF PHARMACY. R. L. LYNCH, Secretary. ja10-2t*

PEOPLE JUST GETTING OVER A LONG SPELL OF ILLNESS find there's nothing else quite so delicate—so dainty—so enjoyable to eat—as our Chincoteague Bay Oysters. They're sent from our own oyster beds in the Atlantic—fresh every day. Real salt water oysters—large, fat and toothsome. An ideal dish for invalids. FRITZ REUTER'S, COR. PA. AVE. AND 4½ ST. ja10-10d

SPIRITUALISM—MISS MAGGIE GAULE OF BALtimore, the wonderful medium, every FRIDAY during day, for private sittings, 995 H st. n.w. Every FRIDAY NIGHT, Woman's Hall, 721 6th st. ja9-2t*

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—THE PARTnership heretofore existing between Edward Tanzer and George Coblenzer, trading under the firm name of Tanzer & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. George Coblenzer will continue the business on his account, collecting all debts due the late firm, and paying all the obligations of the late firm of Tanzer & Co. ja9-3t* EDWARD TANZER, GEO. COBLENZER.

THIS IS TO ANNOUNCE THAT FROM JANUARY 1, 1896, Herman R. Hovenstein is associated with me, an equal partner, in the insurance and rental departments of my business. The new firm will be known as Bieber & Hovenstein ja9-3t SAMUEL BIEBER, 509 7th st., n.w.

THE CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART WILL BE open to visitors every FRIDAY EVENING from 7:30 to 10 o'clock, commencing January 10, and until further notice. Admittance free. By order ja8-3t F. S. BARBARIN, Curator.

DENTISTRY DONE ON WEEKLY AND MONTHLY installments. DR. T. W. STUBBLEFIELD, ja7-tf 11th and F sts., Mertz bldg.

SPIRITUALISM. MRS. EFFIE McNEIL, business and test medium, has resumed practice for the fall and winter and will be at home daily until further notice. Business examinations a specialty and satisfaction guaranteed. 1914 Pa. ave. ja4-6t*

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDers of the Belt Railway Company, for the election of seven directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the company, 11th st. and Fla. ave. n.w., Washington, D.C., on SATURDAY, January 11, 1896, between the hours of 12 noon and 2 o'clock p.m. Transfer books will be closed on January 9 and opened on January 13, 1896. D. M. NEWBOLD, President. H. K. GRAY, Secretary. ja6-5t

I RESPECTFULLY NOTIFY MY FRIENDS AND patients that I have opened an office with Dr. Phoebe R. Norris, No. 613 Fla. ave. n.w., to better accommodate my city practice. Office hours, 9 to 11 a.m. and 3 to 7 p.m. CHAS. G. STONE, M.D., Brightwood, D.C. ja4-6t*

OFFICE OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE Company of the District of Columbia, Washington, D. C., January 3, 1896.—The annual meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the District of Columbia will be held on the THIRD MONDAY of JANUARY, 1896, the 20th instant, at the office of the company, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Ninth street northwest, commencing at 9 o'clock a.m. By the charter of the company the election of seven managers 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."

Amount of premium notes held by the company	$2,461,582 00
Amount of cash on hand	8,484 43
Securities	284,858 98
Real estate	70,000 00
Office furniture and fixtures	500 00
Losses by fire for the year 1895, adjusted and paid	9,019 55

The annual statement will be ready for distribution at the office of the company about January 13th instant. By order of the board of managers. ja3-15t J. WESLEY BOTELER, Secretary.

"EXPERTS IN TAXIDERMY." We have now two experts in this line; one is a noted taxidermist of the Smithsonian Institution on birds, and the other from "Webster's" on animals and rugs. We are now prepared to mount game heads, birds and animals by the most modern and approved methods of scientific taxidermy at low prices. SCHMID'S EMPORIUM OF PETS, 712 12th st. n.w., 1221 Pa. ave. n.w. ja2-2w*

OPEN FIRES—THE RIDEAU STOVE, AN ARTISTic grate, may be used in any chimney, with or without mantel, and combines heating qualities with the pleasures of an open fire, burning hard or soft coal or wood. J. H. CORNING, Tile Shop, 520-522 13th st. ja1

CALENDARS FOR '96. Hundreds of designs here. Prices from $20 per m. upward. de2 McQUEEN'S, 1108 E STREET N.W.

The '96 "Columbia" is the result of 19 years of careful study and constant improvement. Its minutest part is perfect, and taken all in all, it's the acme of bicycle perfection. '96 Columbias cost $100. DISTRICT CYCLE CO., "Columbias," "Hartfords," 452 Pa. ave. ja2-14d

We'll Fill Any Order

you send—for Stationery and Office Supplies. Nothing you need—nothing you want for office or library that we can't supply. Things you're unable to obtain in other stores—are sure to be here. Prices, too, are the lowest possible.

Easton & Rupp, 421 11th St., Popular-Priced Stationers. (Just above ave.) ja10-14d

SPIER, 310 9th St. Here you'll find an assortment of Gold and Silver Goods, Precious Stones, &c., at surprisingly reasonable prices. ja10-6d

Full Dress Suits for $50.

We have no hesitancy in saying these Suits are fully equal to those made elsewhere for $75. Tailored in superb fashion, of undressed Worsteds or Thibet—as you fancy. The best of trimmings used, and in fit, finish and style we believe these suits to be the best value ever offered in this city.

SCHUTZ, 805 Vt. ave., op. Arlington Hotel. ja9-14d

"I NEVER Disappoint"

—is a "trade mark" of ours—it's more than that, it's a rule which I have "stuck to" ever since I have been in business. You are never inconvenienced—we would refuse to take the work did we not KNOW that we could turn it out on time. Lawyers' Briefs, 90c. page for 50 perfect copies.

Byron S. Adams, "Prompt Printer," 512 11th st. n.w. ja8-14d

A Prescription!

Most people often feel in need of a stimulating tonic, yet don't want to go to a physician for it. Tharp's "Berkeley" Rye Whisky is a stimulating and effective tonic, and is prescribed by leading physicians! $1 full qt., and only of us. JAMES THARP, 812 F ST. N.W. ja8-10d

That scratched mirror

—need not be sent to New York to be resilvered. We can now do it right here, and not only save you the freightage, but a great deal of the cost of the work. A man will call upon a word from you and give you an estimate. Do you know that this is the largest plate-glass business in this section of the country?

Chas. E. Hodgkin, 913 7th. "Expert Handler of Plate Glass." ja7-20d

Cancer in any form positively and permanently cured by a new theory of treatment; city references. C. H. ENGLISH, M.D., 1107 G st. n.w. no8-3m

A BIG POUND PARTY

Contributions Made Today to the Santa Claus Club.

CHARITY OF THE SCHOOL CHILDREN

Interesting Scenes This Morning in the Public Schools.

TO AID THE NEEDY

This was the day appointed for the big pound party of The Evening Star Santa Claus Club. If any one doubted it his doubts would have been dissolved by the sight of the school children this morning heading for their different buildings, for the most part loaded down with donations for the relief of suffering among the very poor of the city.

It is needless to say that the pound party is a big success. When an army of more than forty thousand children take hold of a thing like that, with hearts full of sympathy for their less fortunate brothers and sisters in the community, it is bound to be a big success.

A pound party is an admirable institution, in that the results of concerted effort of that sort are tremendous, while there is no drain on any one. There are very few people in Washington, outside of the actual beneficiaries of the charity, who are not able to give a pound of something—a pound of flour, a few potatoes, a little sugar. One person giving that way accomplishes very little, but when a whole town becomes interested, and each individual feels called upon to join in with the movement, the pounds pile up into tons, just as a heavy snowfall is made up of the myriad flakes falling singly. Last year, when the general distress was even more pronounced than it is this winter, the appeal for aid through The Star pound party was answered in a way that surprised even the most sanguine and enthusiastic, and for days and weeks during the hardest part of the winter hundreds of destitute families were comfortably provided for out of the proceeds of that memorable outpouring of charity.

This year a slight change was made in the arrangements, and the pound party was held by the children of the schools who make up The Evening Star Santa

Piling Up.

Claus Club. Last year the pounds were all collected in two or three places only, so that they made a much more imposing display—mountains of flour, hundreds and hundreds of pounds of sugar, coffee, tea, tons of potatoes and other staple articles. This year every school room in the District was made the place of deposit, so that the contributions were scattered around in hundreds of little piles. For this reason it was impossible to make even the roughest estimate of the total proceeds of this pretty form of practical charity, but by noon tomorrow all will probably have been collected, so that one can know just how much can be accomplished by the concerted action of the school children.

A Lesson in Charity.

One of the firmest believers in the advantages of this form of giving is Mr. W. B. Powell, the superintendent of the public schools. Said he to a Star reporter this morning: "It would be hard to overestimate the benefits that accrue from this systematic way of giving. It teaches the children, from the youngest to the oldest, the lesson of charity and the beauty of giving to the needy, and they are not slow to see what can be accomplished by united effort in good works. I am very glad indeed that the children have been given another opportunity to show their generosity, and I cannot see that anything but good would result if similar calls were made two or three times a year, instead of once during the winter."

Many a little pupil went home from school yesterday afternoon firm in the determination to do something toward making the pound party a success, and pantries were ransacked to find something that would be nice to take to school this morning. In many of the school rooms big boxes had to be brought in to accommodate

A Proxy.

the pounds, and the best part of it all, from the standpoint of theoretical charity, was the glow of happiness that comes from well doing animating the hearts and minds of the children as they deposited their little offerings on the teacher's desk or in the particular corner that had been designated for the purpose. From the practical point of view this good effect will be quite equaled by the effect the groceries will have on the empty larders of the poor.

"It's a great institution," said a man on a street car to a Star reporter this morning. "But it works in curious ways sometimes. Now, my little girl had conceived the idea that nothing would be as nice to take as a pound of granulated sugar. She wouldn't listen to anything else, and my playful efforts to convince her that lump sugar would answer just as well failed utterly. She got what she wanted, bless her heart, and bless the pound party, too, say I for one, for it has taught my little girl a lesson that she will never forget as long as she lives, I am sure, the lesson of generosity and interest in the needs of others."

Not all the pounds by any means were taken to the schools. Many people who have not been inside a school room for years took advantage of the opportunity to bring pounds of groceries and other good things direct to The Star office, so that by afternoon there was a goodly pile in the big room in the rear of the building on the 11th street side, which had been cleared and set aside for the purpose. Incidentally it might be as well to say right here that the doors of the room will not be closed tomorrow, and any one, child or grown person, who feels that he would like to make up for his forgetfulness today may bring in his donation up to the eleventh hour.

In the different school buildings of the city all was bustle and activity this morning until the children were called to order by their teachers. Then it was seen that the contributions received before 9 o'clock in each room footed up to a most encouraging amount. In the first division, which includes some of the largest schools in the city, the contributions were on a very generous scale. All sorts of things were brought and piled up, but as a rule it was coffee, flour, tea and staple articles of that sort that predominated in the various piles.

First Division.

In the Franklin building big boxes were placed in the halls on the several floors to

A Little Girl and a Big Bundle.

be used only for potatoes, and all of these were well filled during the morning session. Groceries in lavish profusion were collected in every room, and it did one's heart good simply to make a tour of the building and figure out how many good, hearty meals could be provided for the poor from the contributions in that one school alone. At the noon recess many of the children who went home to luncheon, children who had forgotten to bring a pound in the morning, remembered to ask for something to take back with them, so as not to be left out from the fun of giving, an appeal that was rarely if ever refused by their mothers or big sisters.

Mr. C. S. Clark, the supervising principal of the first division, whose office is at the Dennison building, said that judging by what had been brought before school hours this morning it was safe to say the results of the party in his division would be most satisfactory. He could not, he said, make any estimate of the amount received until late this afternoon, for he was satisfied that what had already accumulated would be more than doubled by what the scholars would bring when they came back from the noon recess.

Second Division A.

The first floor of the Seaton school building, the headquarters of second division A, looked like a veritable wholesale and retail grocery store this morning, and in the afternoon the supply was augmented by another large supply from the pupils for The Evening Star pound party.

The list of supplies received embraced everything in the way of non-perishable provisions, and the teachers expressed themselves as highly gratified with the prompt response of the appeal for the poor. Supervising Principal Gage, who has charge of that district, said he had every reason to believe that when the other buildings had been heard from several big loads would be added to the store of supplies. He also expected that a quantity of money would be turned in, for it was known that some of the pupils had contributed money.

Second Division B.

Second division B includes a number of school buildings under the supervision of Mr. W. B. Patterson, and the contributions from the pupils of this district were gratifyingly large. The largest school in this division is the Gales building, corner of Massachusetts and New Jersey avenues, a twelve-room building. The other buildings in the division are eight rooms each, consisting of the Arthur, Blake, Blair, Taylor, Madison and Pierce, together with two smaller schools on the Bladensburg road and at Langdon.

The children in this division were notified officially of the coming pound party Wednesday evening, and manifested immediately considerable interest in the event. The result was that, notwithstanding the short notice given, the children responded generously today. At the Gales building a great stack of provisions was piled high up in the main hall by 9 o'clock, and was added to during the forenoon by the morning scholars, and when the afternoon contingent of pupils came upon the scene they doubled the pile. The little ones at the Gales school were in a glow of excitement this morning when they brought in their respective offerings. The gifts to the pound party collection included almost every imaginable article of food in daily use. One little girl staggered in under a sack of flour nearly as big as herself. Another brought a big basket of apples. Tea, coffee and sugar were hot favorites with the children, and canned goods appeared in profusion in the pile.

Some of the little ones who forgot to bring their donations in the morning, or came off in too much of a hurry to collect it, were overcome with remorse at their negligence when they saw the gifts of the other children, and scooted home at recess, to return happy and flushed, loaded with good things contributed to the common fund.

By 12 o'clock Mr. Patterson, the supervising principal, had received communications from the other buildings in his bailiwick, reporting that the contributions were coming in liberally, and that there was every reason to expect a handsome collection at each of the school buildings.

At some of the buildings in quarters of the city not inhabited by the wealthy classes the donations were not as extensive as in others, but even here the spirit of generosity was apparent, and while the children may not have had the means to exhibit it as they would have done, they contributed their little mite with a cheerful heart.

The Third Division.

In the third division there was a liberal response to the appeals of The Star for the poor by members of The Star's Santa Claus Club. The contributions came in large quantities, and consisted of a variety of articles. At the Wallach building a large dry goods box was placed in the hall, and in it were deposited potatoes, apples and onions by the scholars as they arrived at the building. A number of the contributors brought canned goods, tomatoes, corn, etc., and a favorite gift for the poor was flour, which was brought by some in sacks without confining themselves to a pound, and

An Order on the Grocer.

by others in smaller bags. Sugar, coffee, cornmeal, cracked oats, tea, etc., were also favorite contributions. At 12 o'clock, when the pupils went to their homes for luncheon, there was another addition to the store of goods for the poor. In the Eastern High School building and in the Towers the result was the same.

In the third division contributions will be removed from the school buildings to 822 C street southeast, where Mrs. J. W. Babson and Mrs. J. A. Sutherland will see that they are assorted and distributed to the needy.

Fourth Division.

It was a lively day at the Jefferson school building at 6th street and Virginia avenue southeast, the headquarters of the supervising principal of the fourth division. In fact, it was a lively day at all the schools in this division, and the scenes at the Jefferson building were counterparts of the same activity in the other buildings.

Supervising Principal Fairbrother expected a busy day, but the actual results far exceeded his most sanguine expectations. Packages of all kinds and all sizes flowed in the school room in the morning, noon, and even after the closing hours. And the most important thing lies in the fact that the donations to the pound party were made by the children only, not outsiders sending in contributions.

The Fifth Division.

The pupils of the schools under Supervising Principal Jarney made a generous response to the appeal for The Star's pound party. A wagon load of food materials, and in some cases much more than a wagon load, was received at each one of the buildings, and these will be added to the grand total.

Sixth Division B.

In all the public schools under the charge of Supervising Principal Freeman the contributions of food materials for The Star's pound party were very liberal, and comprised almost every article that can be used in a household for eating purposes. The schools mentioned are Tyler, Buchanan, Cranch, in the city, and Van Buren, Anacostia, and the two colored schools in Hillsdale. The aggregate of contributions amounts to very considerable and will relieve a great many deserving people.

The Colored Schools.

In the colored schools the pound party was participated in by many of the scholars, and the showing made is really very gratifying. Considering the circumstances one would not expect much from the colored children, but they gave an excellent account of themselves today.

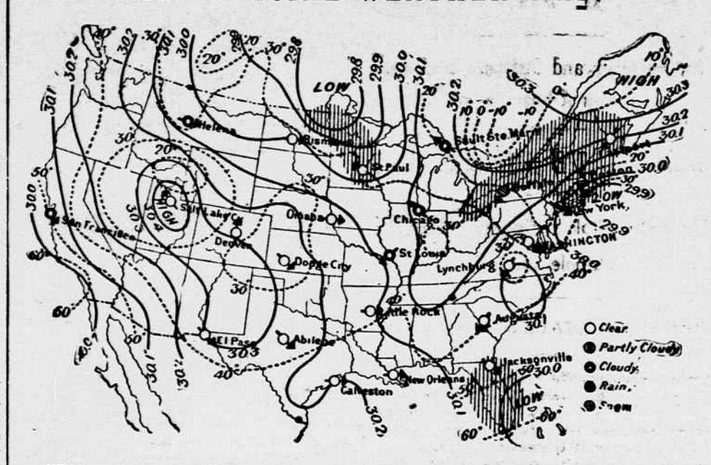
Cash Contributions.

Heretofore acknowledged	$31.50
Aunt Sue, per Uncle Charlie	5.00
Cash	50
Mrs. A. E. Perry	5.00
Mrs. E. R. Middleton	5.00
Friend	1.00
Cash	2.00
C. E. R.	1.00
Seaton Perry	5.00
Cash	20.00
Mrs. J. W. Pilling	5.00
F. J. C.	5.00
G. Bradford	2.00
N. Luquer	5.00
C. H. H.	50
Mrs. Pomeroy	10.00
F. E. G.	5.00
Cash	1.00
Cash	1.00
J. B. B.	1.00
A friend	3.00
Cash	1.00
Doctors of St. Elizabeth, one pound silver	17.00
Cash	2.00
E. P. G.	10.00
M.	1.90
J. W. L.	50
Cash	25
S. J. A.	2.00
"In His Name"	1.00
Mary L. de Sebour	5.00
	$154.25

A Pound of Silver.

The doctors at the St. Elizabeth Asylum for the insane contributed a pound of silver dollars to The Star pound party today.

THE OFFICIAL WEATHER MAP.



EXPLANATORY NOTE: Observations taken at 8 a.m., 75th meridian time. Solid lines are isobars or lines of equal air pressure, drawn for each tenth of an inch. Dotted lines are isotherms or lines of equal temperature, drawn for each ten degrees. Shaded areas are regions where rain or snow has fallen during preceding twelve hours. The words "High" and "Low" show location of areas of high and low barometer. Small arrows fly with the wind.

FAIR TOMORROW.

The Temperature Will Be Stationary, With Northerly Winds.

Forecast till 8 p.m. Saturday—For the District of Columbia, Delaware and Maryland, partly cloudy weather tonight, fair Saturday; stationary temperature; northerly winds, becoming variable.

For Virginia, fair tonight and Saturday; warmer in the interior Saturday; northeasterly winds.

Weather conditions and general forecast—The barometer has risen generally in the lake regions. An area of high pressure covers northern New England, the middle states and the Ohio valley, and the pressure is also high over Rocky mountain districts.

A small storm of considerable energy has developed on the southeastern New England coast, causing northeast gales from Boston to New York city. A second storm now covers the upper Mississippi valley.

The pressure is also relatively low on the southern Florida coast.

The temperature has remained nearly stationary in all districts.

Rain has fallen in the Florida peninsula, and rain or snow has occurred in New England.

The following heavy precipitation (in inches) was reported:

During the past twenty-four hours—Tampa, 1.04.

The weather will probably clear in New England this afternoon or tonight, and the weather will be generally fair, with slight changes in temperature in the Atlantic and gulf states during Saturday.

High winds will probably continue during the day on the New England coast.

Tide Table.

Today—Low tide, 10:02 a.m. and 10:55 p.m. High tide, 3:30 a.m. and 4:02 p.m.

Tomorrow—Low tide, 11:06 a.m. and 11:55 p.m. High tide, 4:37 a.m. and 5:04 p.m.

The Sun and Moon.

Sun rises, 7:22; sun sets, 4:53. Moon rises, 3:31 a.m. tomorrow.

The Bicycle Lamps.

All bicycle lamps must be lighted at 4:53. The police regulations require that "All cycles, bicycles and tricycles in motion after sundown shall carry a suitable light."

The City Lights.

Gas lamps all lighted by 6:09 p.m. Extinguishing begun at 6:07 a.m. The lighting is begun one hour before the time named.

Naphtha lamps all lighted by 6:09 p.m. Extinguishing begun at 6:22. The naphtha lamps burn fifteen minutes later in the morning than the gas lamps, and the moon schedule does not apply to them.

Public arc lamps lighted at 5:39 p.m. and extinguished at 6:32 a.m.

Condition of the Water.

Temperature and condition of water at 8 a.m.: Great Falls, temperature, 32; condition, 8. Receiving reservoir, temperature, 38; condition at north connection, 8; condition at south connection, 4. Distributing reservoir, temperature, 34; condition at influent gate house, 4; effluent gate house, 3.

Range of the Thermometer.

The following were the readings of the thermometer at the weather bureau today: 8 a.m., 31; 2 p.m., 34; maximum, 37; minimum, 30.

THE WEATHER FORECASTS BY FLAG SIGNALS.

Explanation of the Flags.

The flags are hoisted each day upon the issue of the morning weather map and float until dark. They indicate the weather that may be expected during the following thirty-six hours, but more particularly the last twenty-four hours of that period. They are to be read from the top of the staff downward. If more than one kind of weather is predicted for the period from 8 p.m. to 8 p.m. the conditions first named in the forecast will be represented by the uppermost flag. When a warning of a "cold wave" is included in the forecast message, the cold-wave flag will be displayed below the proper weather flag.

The temperature flag, when placed above numbers 1, 2 or 3, indicates warmer weather; when placed below numbers 1, 2 or 3, indicates colder weather; when not displayed, the indications are that the temperature will remain stationary.

TOMORROW'S STAR.

Twenty-Four Pages Full of Interesting Reading.

The following are a few of the many features of Saturday's big Star:

THE SHERMAN STATUE. (Illustrated.) A description of the models which are on exhibition in the State, War and Navy Department building.

A SENATOR'S DAY. (Illustrated.) How the members of the upper house pass their time when not legislating.

WITH MRS. GRANT. (Illustrated.) The widow of the great general in her Washington home chats about her distinguished husband.

A SANCTIFIED TOWN. (Illustrated.) An interesting story complete in one issue. By Lucy S. Furman.

SOME MODISH GOWNS. (Illustrated.) Practical suggestions about petticoats, street dresses and party gowns.

CYCLE NOVELTIES. (Illustrated.) New phases of the widespread wheeling craze.

A SCIENTIFIC BALLOON. (Illustrated.) An entertaining sketch by W. L. Alden.

A FRENCH PRISON. (Illustrated.) Sterling Heilig describes a day spent within its walls.

STORIES OF LINCOLN. (Illustrated.) Some incidents of interest in the life in Washington of the martyred President.

MAKING OF LAWYERS. Character of the questions asked at the examination for admission to the District bar.

CURIOUS MINERALS. A geologist's researches in the new state of Utah.

FROM THE BOX. How carriage drivers regard society in cold weather.

SCIENTIFIC COOKING. What has been learned about the preparation of food, with valuable suggestions.

TRAINED MOTOR MEN. The brains and character required to operate the modern electric cars.

STANTON IN PEACE. Interesting reminiscences of the confidential clerk of the great war secretary.

A KITCHEN REFORM. Pauline Pry's interesting article which should be read by every housekeeper.

COLD AT THE ZOO. How the animals are cared for in winter at their Rock creek home.

INDIAN JUGGLERS. A government ethnologist's description of magical feats by American aborigines.

FORTY-SEVEN BILLS.

Measures Now Before the Senate District Committee.

When the committee on the District of Columbia of the Senate met this morning the members found placed on their desks a calendar of business, showing what bills are before the committee for consideration and the status of each. There are just forty-seven of these measures.

In addition to the above, there is before the committee several resolutions and memorials, the substance of which have been printed in The Star.

Nicotine Neutralized

CHEW AND SMOKE

MAIL POUCH TOBACCO.

NO NERVES QUAKING. NO HEART PALPITATING. NO DYSPEPTIC ACHING.

ANTI-NERVOUS. -DYSPEPTIC.

FINANCIAL.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE AMERICAN SECURITY AND TRUST COMPANY, From January 1, 1895, to December 31, 1895. Required by the sixteenth section of the act of Congress, approved October 1, 1890, to be made to the controller of the currency.

Amount of capital full paid	$1,250,000.00
Surplus	225,000.00
Undivided profits, net	39,219.40
Deposits	1,266,201.83
Debenture bonds	977,800.00
	$3,758,221.23
Loans on real estate and collaterals	$2,635,482.07
Stocks, bonds and other investments	184,530.47
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	249,433.25
Storage warehouse and other real estate	175,558.40
Cash on hand and in bank	513,217.04
	$3,758,221.23
Gross earnings in 1895	$169,397.56
Expenses (1895)	57,783.49
Net earnings (1895)	$111,614.07

JAMES F. HOOD, Secretary. C. J. BELL, President.

A. T. BRITTON, JAMES E. FITCH, JOHN E. HERRELL, W. S. THOMPSON, HENRY P. BLOUNT, M. W. BEVERIDGE, Directors.

We, C. J. Bell, president; James F. Hood, secretary; A. T. Britton, James E. Fitch, John E. Herrell, W. S. Thompson, Henry F. Blount and M. W. Beveridge, directors of the AMERICAN SECURITY AND TRUST COMPANY, do swear that the foregoing report is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 7th day of January, 1896. (Seal) C. S. DOMER, Notary Public.

A. A. THOMAS, M. G. EMERY, H. A. WILLARD, GEORGE E. EMMONS, CHAS. C. DUNCANSON, JAS. G. PAYNE, CROSBY S. NOYES, MYRON M. PARKER, S. S. BURDETT, JOHN R. McLEAN, Directors. 1t

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Lincoln Fire Insurance Company of the District of Columbia at the close of business December 31, 1895.

RESOURCES.	
Loans secured by first mortgages on real estate	$157,850 00
Loans secured by collateral	1,477 68
Accrued interest	2,475 27
Premiums in course of collection	2,413 21
Cash on hand	4,247 83
	$168,463 99
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	$100,000 00
Surplus	68,463 99
	$168,463 99

E. N. WATERS, Secretary. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of January, 1896. SAMUEL A. DRURY, Notary Public. ja10-2t

American Security and Trust Co., 1405 G St.

Capital, $1,250,000. Surplus, $225,000.

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DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

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The Commissioners have ordered: That the Eckington and Soldiers' Home Railway Company is hereby notified that if it does not remove the ties and rails and other appurtenances of the tracks from T street between 2d and 3d streets northeast, and repair the roadway along and adjacent to the said tracks within ten days from the service of this notice, the work will be done by the District and its cost charged against the company.

The Hammond Suit.

Chief Justice Bingham today directed the bill of complaint filed by Dr. Wm. A. Hammond last November against Dr. Mahlon Hutchinson be taken pro confesso against the defendant. The court referred the case to the auditor of the court.

The Corcoran Gallery at Night.

The Friday evening exhibitions of the Corcoran Gallery of Art will begin tonight. The building will be open from half-past 7 until 10 o'clock. Admittance free.

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