SPECIAL NOTICES.

WASHINGTON MARKET COMPANY.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Washington Market Company will be held in the office of the company, in Center Market, in the city of Washington, D. C., at 12 o'clock noon, on the FIRST MONDAY, being the FIRST DAY, OF JANUARY, 1900, for the choice of thirteen directors to serve the ensuing year, and to act on any other subject within the power of the corporation that may come before the meeting.
F. G. WILKINS, Secretary.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 30, 1899.

O. J. DeMOLL WISHES TO NOTIFY HIS friends and acquaintances that he is still with Chas. M. Stieff, piano manufacturer, 521 11th st. n.w., and will be glad to have any of them who are contemplating buying a piano to see him before deciding. de9-3t

FOR SALE—AT A BARGAIN—
Bricks and material of a two-story building and stable, 907 16th n.w.; everything to be removed from the lot. Apply to Owner, JOSEPH AUERBACH, 625 Pa. ave. de9-3t

TREE ORNAMENTS—
Wholesale and retail. Wonders for children. Theaters, Engines, Scrap Book Pictures, &c. J. JAY GOULD, 421 9th. de9-3t*

SPIRITUALISM.—MRS. ZOLLER, SPIRITUAL MEDIUM, 502 H ST. N.W. SEANCES SUNDAY, TUESDAY, FRIDAY EVENING. INTERVIEWS DAILY. de9-6t*

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9, 1899.
WASHINGTON CENTENNIAL:
Masons desiring to attend the exercises at Mt. Vernon on Thursday, Dec. 14, will find tickets on sale with Mr. John Birkhead, Library Room, Masonic Temple, and the cashier of the Ebbitt House.
Complimentary only to those receiving special cards of invitation.
Line forms in front of Ebbitt House. Procession moves at 8 a.m. Steamer leaves the wharf promptly at 9:30 a.m.
Dark clothing, white apron and gloves required.
By order of the Grand Master.
de9-3t WM. R. SINGLETON, Grand Secretary.

IT IS HEREBY MADE PUBLIC—THAT MILLER wishes to make that new suit or overcoat for you. There is no doubt about his ability to turn out the correct thing in style, fit and finish. Call on him, then, select materials and get prices.
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SPECIAL NOTICE—
Sealed bids will be received at the office of Thos. J. Fisher & Co., 1324 F st., until NOON, DECEMBER 15, 1899, for the removal within twenty days of dwelling and outbuildings on that portion of Cliffbourne lying on the north side of Cincinnati st. west of 19th st. de8-5t

NOTICE.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Second National Bank of Washington, D. C., will be held at the bank on TUESDAY, the 9th day of January, 1900, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 2 o'clock p.m.
JOHN C. ECKLOFF, Cashier.
de7,11,19,26,ja2,8-6t

GEORGE WASHINGTON MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of George Washington Memorial Association will open December 13, 1899, at 10 a.m., the Raleigh, Washington, D. C. Election of officers is first order of business. Amendments to by-laws, reports of committees and officers will be acted upon, with such other business as may be legal. By order president and board. SUSANNA PHELPS GAGE,
no29,de4&11-3t Recording Secretary.

SPECIAL NOTICE—THE DIRECTORS OF THE MASONIC HALL ASSOCIATION of the District of Columbia have declared a dividend of 4 per cent on the capital stock of the association, payable at the office of the secretary, 918 F st., on and after December 11, 1899. NOBLE D. LARNER,
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WE ARE SHOWING THIS SEASON A MOST COMPLETE LINE OF HORSE BLANKETS AND CARRIAGE ROBES, AND ARE OFFERING SPECIAL VALUES IN EACH GRADE. IF YOU'VE ONE OR MANY TO BUY WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY.
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no29-21tf Real Estate Officer.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Lincoln Hall Association, for the election of directors, and for such other business as may properly be brought before it, will be held at the office of the association, No. 111 South Fairfax st., Alexandria, Va., Tuesday, December 12, 1899, at 3:30 o'clock p.m. Books for the transfer of stock will be closed from December 1 to December 12, both dates inclusive.
no30-10t GEO. L. REPETTI, Sec.

OFFICE OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of the District of Columbia, 102 Penna. ave. n.w., Washington, Oct. 14, 1899.
Policy holders are notified that on and after November 1st, 1899, the Managers will pay a Return of Savings, in proportion to the Surrender Value of each policy, out of the savings of 1898.
One per centum premium charge for insurance the coming year is payable to the Company at same time. INSURANCE POLICIES MUST BE PRESENTED, that payments may be stamped thereon.
This Company insures Brick dwellings at from $1.00 to $1.25 per $1,000 of insurance, and Frame dwellings, without shingle roof, at from $2.00 to $3.50 per $1,000.
Please present your policies EARLY and avoid the crowd.
By order of Board of Managers.
S. H. WALKER, President. L. PIERCE BOTELER, Secretary.
oc14-dtf

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE INTENTION of the undersigned to apply to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, on the 14th day of December, A. D. 1899, for a charter of incorporation under the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, loan, mortgage and certain other corporations within the District of Columbia," approved October 1, 1890.
The name of the proposed company shall be the "Union Trust and Storage Company of the District of Columbia."
The company is to be organized for the purpose of doing a general trust, loan, mortgage, storage, warehouse and elevator business in the District of Columbia, and such other business as may be authorized by said act of Congress.
The names of the proposed corporators are:

Arthur D. Addison,	Rudolph Kauffmann,
Daniel B. Clark,	James B. Lambie,
Joseph H. Cranford,	Frederick B. McGuire,
Michael J. Colbert,	Theodore J. Mayer,
George W. Cissel,	J. Nota McGill,
J. Maury Dove,	William H. McKnew,
Robert B. Donaldson,	James G. Payne,
Lynn O. DeLashmutt,	Francis A. Richardson,
Thomas M. Gale,	Edward J. Stellwagen,
Bernard R. Green,	John H. Small, jr.,
George Gibson,	B. Francis Saul,
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SPECIAL NOTICES.

A SPECIAL CONVOCATION OF CONSTANTINE Commandery, 219, A. and I. O. K. of M., will be held in Malta Hall, 910 Pa. ave. n.w., TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 12, to make arrangements for the funeral of our deceased companion, J. Thompson.
By order of the Commander,
JOHN BERGMAN.
Attest: CHAS. T. RODERICK, Rec. 1t

FOR SALE OR FOR RENT.
INTER-OCEAN BUILDING.
The receiver of the Inter-ocean Building Company will entertain offers for the purchase or rent of its nine-story brick and stone building, No. 512 9th st. n.w., with a frontage of 39 feet 1 inch by a depth of 107.17 feet to a wide alley. Each floor affords about 4,000 feet of space. Liberal terms will be made with purchasers, or the building will be rented as a whole or by floors. For further information apply to
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de11-1tf

SPIRITUALISM—PIERRE L. O. A. KEELER, 918 H st. (note the number), will have a seance TONIGHT at 8 o'clock. 1t*

DICTIONARY HOLDERS, $3.50.
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A complete line of Children's Nursery Rhymes and Gift Books—by well-known authors—at prices that are pleasingly low. Those intending to give Bibles or Prayer Books should see our line. Many helps for gift buyers here.
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BIG BLAZE AT AUGUSTA, GA.

Loss Estimated at $1,000,000—Started From an Electric Wire.

The most disastrous fire Augusta has experienced in years broke out yesterday morning. The damage will approximate a million dollars.

The fire started in the heart of J. B. White's big dry goods house.

Its origin is unknown, but it is surmised that an imperfectly insulated electric wire may have come in contact with the woodwork, or that possibly a spark from a sputtering arc light may have fallen into the dry goods.

The Arlington Annex and the stores beneath it, all a part of the old Central Hotel property, abutted upon the store of J. B. White on the uptown side, and all were involved in the first onslaught of the flames after the blaze had broken through the White store.

Next came the handsome Masonic building. Into this the flames ate their way from the rear. When this became thoroughly ablaze there was no longer any possibility that the Arlington Hotel could escape. The hotel has always had the reputation of being exceedingly vulnerable to fire, but when the flames reached it from the rear of the Masonic building it was soon ablaze. The tremendous bonfire was visible for many miles in all directions.

The fire ignited the roof and windows of the Schneider building, across 8th street, on the next block, but it was arrested here, and, barring a few thousand dollars' damage to stock, the main loss was confined to the original block, bounded by Broad and Ellis streets north and south, and 7th and 8th streets east and west.

STEAMER NIAGARA LOST.

Canadian Steamer Had Sixteen Persons on Board When She Sank.

A dispatch from Buffalo, N. Y., last night says: It is now certain that the Canadian steamer Niagara, Capt. Henry McClory, foundered on Tuesday evening last, about eight miles east of Long Point, Lake Erie, with all hands, numbering sixteen persons. Tugs sent out from Port Colborne and from Buffalo to search for the missing steamer have returned, bringing with them great quantities of wreckage picked up near where the steamer is supposed to have foundered.

The wreckage includes a part of the Niagara's deck, portions of the cabin, deck beams, other material, and a quantity of shingles marked "Parry Sound," from which port the Niagara sailed for Buffalo.

The Quartet Completed.

The Musical Art Society has completed the quartet for Verdi's Manzoni Requiem by the engagement of Mrs. Morris Black, who, as Miss Sarah Layton Walker, was so favorably received when the work was given last spring. The other artists engaged are Miss Clementine DeVere-Saplo, Mr. Myron B. Whitney, jr., and Theodore Van Yorx.

The active membership list is steadily growing, eleven new members having been received at the last two meetings.

Says Lieut. Herron is Safe.

A dispatch from Vancouver Barracks, Wash., says: When Capt. E. F. Glenn, 24th Infantry, was shown the Seattle dispatch expressing fear for the safety of Lieut. Herron, 8th Cavalry, in Alaska, he said:

"I have not the least anxiety as to the lieutenant's safety; he unquestionably is at Fort Gibbon, at the mouth of the Tanana river, which was his objective point. Nothing can be heard from him until ice forms in the Yukon, when he will come out by way of Skagway."

AT CONVENTION HALL

Memorial Exercises to Be Held the Evening of December 14.

WASHINGTON'S DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Solemn Services at Mount Vernon in the Afternoon.

UNDER RED MEN'S AUSPICES

The arrangements made under the direction of the great chiefs of the Great Council of the United States of the Improved Order of Red Men for the commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of Washington's death, December 14, are nearly concluded. They embrace appropriate exercises at Mount Vernon, the time for which has been arranged so as not to conflict with the services of the Masonic fraternity, and a more elaborate program to be carried out at Convention Hall.

The exercises will begin promptly at 7 p.m. by appropriate selections given by the United States Marine Band, under the leadership of Lieut. Santelmann. At 7:30 o'clock the ceremony arranged for the occasion will begin by an invocation to the Great Spirit. Then will follow an address by the great Incohonee, George E. Green of New York, who will preside. Short talks will be made by Past Great Incohonee Robert T. Daniel of Georgia, speaking for the south, and Past Great Incohonee Charles H. Litchman of Massachusetts, speaking for the north, and the principal oration will be delivered by Senator Chauncey M. Depew of New York. Appropriate vocal music, to be participated in by the audience, has been provided for on the program, including "Nearer, My God, to Thee," "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," "America" and "The Star Spangled Banner," the singing being led by the Arion Singing Society, under the direction of Emil Holer. Recitations, including "The American Flag," will be given by Mr. W. W. Millan.

It is expected that a large delegation will attend from Philadelphia, Baltimore and Alexandria and other intervening places, composed of members of the order and their invited guests, the railroads converging at Washington having arranged for an excursion rate of one fare and one-third from all points in the United States to the capital and return. Tickets at this rate will be placed on sale December 11 to 14, and will be good returning as late as December 18, 1899.

President and Cabinet Invited.

Invitations have been extended to the President and his cabinet, the members of both houses of Congress and all the leading officials of the city, and the acceptances already received insure the attendance of a large audience. These invitations have been extended in the name of the Great Council of the United States of the Improved Order of Red Men, officially attested by the great incohonee and great chief of records, Charles C. Conley of Philadelphia.

The arrangements made by the Red Men for a general observance of this anniversary throughout the United States are probably the most elaborate made by any fraternal organization. The order numbers 220,000 members in the tribes and councils, and is represented in every state and territory of the Union. A beautiful and appropriate ceremonial has been prepared and issued to every tribe in the order, under the direction of the Great Council of the United States, and a proclamation sent therewith calling upon all tribes to use the ceremonial at a gathering of the members of the tribes and councils in their respective localities, to which should be invited their paleface friends.

Each tribe is expected to provide a picture of Washington, and a feature of the ceremonial is the draping of this picture with the American flag and a wreath of evergreen. Patriotic music is provided for, including "America," "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "The Star Spangled Banner." Short talks will be made by the officiating chiefs and an oration on the life and character of Washington will be delivered by an orator selected by the tribe. As at the Washington gathering, the poems "The American Flag" and "Old Glory" will be recited. Thus, while the great chiefs of the order are observing this solemn anniversary so appropriately at the capital of the nation, the members of the tribes and councils of the order from one end of the land to the other will join in unison with them in the some commemoration.

Society's Origin.

The Improved Order of Red Men traces its origin back through varying names to the Sons of Liberty of 1765. By this name it was known for the most part during the war of the revolution, although as early as 1771 one of the societies of the Sons of Liberty at Annapolis, Md., had transformed itself into the Saint Tamina Society. This action seems to have been generally followed in Pennsylvania and Maryland, and it will be recalled that the famous Saint Tamina Society of New York was organized about the year 1789 by William Mooney, who had been one of the leaders and active members of the Sons of Liberty.

The Sons of Liberty largely merged into the Saint Tamina Societies, which, in their turn, founded the Society of Red Men of 1813 at Fort Mifflin, on the Delaware river, near Philadelphia. The order flourished in this form for just a score of years, and its written records, preserved in the archives of the order, show the prominent part it played in the events of those years, not the least of which was in the grand welcome given to Gen. Lafayette in 1824. In 1833, by the elimination of the convivial element, which had proved the bane of so many fraternal and social organizations of that time, the order was reorganized as a purely benevolent and fraternal institution, under its present name, "The Improved Order of Red Men," and has held an unbroken existence as such for nearly sixty-seven years. It still looks back with just pride to the patriotic origin of the order in the Sons of Liberty of 1765, its real founders, and finds there among his illustrious peers the honored name of George Washington. It is for this reason that the great council set apart this date for the appropriate commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of his death that it might recount his deeds of duty done that gem with jewels our nation's life.

Held in Veneration.

There is another and perhaps more poetic reason why the order joins so universally in commemorating the death of Washington. The name of Washington was held in highest veneration among the primitive red men, upon whose manners, traditions and customs the ritual of the order is founded. They recognized and respected his sterling integrity and in their religious teachings they assigned a special resting place to him in the happy hunting grounds above, as the only paleface ever permitted to enter the home of the Great Spirit.

The government of the order is divided into tribes and councils locally, a great council governing the state and the supreme body being known as the Great Council of the United States. The councils of the Degree of Pocahontas are composed mostly of women, and any woman of good moral character over eighteen years of age is eligible to membership.

Special arrangements have been made to insure the convenience of guests coming in carriages. The great chiefs have established headquarters at the Ebbitt House.

The steamers will leave the wharf at the foot of 7th street at 12:30 p.m. sharp the 14th instant to convey the members of the order and others to Mount Vernon.

Car Shelter at Benning.

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

I beg to suggest to the Consolidated Street Railway Company the propriety of providing a shelter for the patrons of the Benning branch of its road. An old box car placed alongside the road, where the car crosses the Anacostia road, would prove a blessing to men, women and children who have to stand in the biting wind and drenching rain to wait for a car.

ONE WHO HAS TO STAND.

The nitro-glycerine magazine of the Pennsylvania Torpedo Company, near Bradford, Pa., blew up yesterday, with a report that was heard for thirty miles. No one was killed.

THE CLIFF DWELLERS.

Result of Recent Explorations in the Santa Clara Canyon.

The report of the governor of New Mexico says regarding the famous cliff dwellers:

"Very important explorations have lately been made in the Santa Clara canyon in regard to the famous cliff dwellers, which are visited every year by hundreds of people. This party of explorers measured the communal building of the ancient and abandoned cliff dwellers, and found it to be 300 by 400 feet, three stories high, and containing approximately 2,000 rooms. They excavated two rooms and found the walls in good state of preservation, with some evidence of building skill. They discovered considerable pottery, beautifully decorated with geometrical designs and partly glazed, something unusual, as the pottery heretofore found was generally unglazed. Many turkey bones gave evidence that the ancient occupants knew the good points of the national bird; the turkey corrals were found to be small, and connected with the living rooms by a low archway only high enough for a turkey to slip through.

"In the two rooms pipes of an unusual shape were found. One was in imitation of a prickly pear, and the other of a cactus. There were evidences that the cliff dwellers grew tobacco, and the charred corn found proves that they also grew corn. There was evidence that the building had been deserted in haste, and that the cliff dwellers had left nearly everything behind them.

"The most important discovery, however, was that of nine skeletons almost complete. The skulls show that the cliff dwellers were not Indians, but were allied to the Caucasion race. The back of the skull is flat, but the forehead is well developed. The chin is strong, and the appearance of the face must have been long, slim and intellectual. They had beautiful teeth, but, strange to say, instead of incisors they had grinders, which, according to the theory of evolution, is proof that they were vegetarians for many ages before being driven out by invaders or by some calamity. One of the skulls had been pierced by an arrow on one side, while on the other it was fractured as if by a tomahawk. The man to whom it belonged had perhaps fallen while repelling an attack by the Indians. One femur measured 19½ inches, and the skeleton to which it belonged must have been between seven and eight feet high.

"The burying places at Santa Clara have not been discovered yet, but it is known that the cliff dwellers were buried in a stooping position, with their heads between their knees and the feet pointing to a common center. Skulls were found with long red hair by this exploring party, and also monuments with inscriptions that resemble Chinese characters, while on the Gila river monuments were found that seemed to be of Egyptian origin. One well-known scientist in the party has made a study of the subject, and feels positive that the cliff dwellers belonged to another race than the Indian.

"It is believed that the cliff dwellings are from 1,500 to 2,000 years old, and that the Santa Clara settlement was abandoned on account of the eruptions of the crater, not far from here, which threw out the immense lava fields that cover large areas to the west of the city of Santa Fe. The relics found include instruments used for dressing hides; pottery, some of the pottery being very large; skeletons, and other remains of the cliff dwellers.

"These discoveries prove that long before Columbus set foot on the shores of the new world the valleys and plains of New Mexico were the seat of a civilization which has been the wonder of scientists and explorers; for ages unknown people contended for the possession of the lands and streams. Nation after nation of strange beings followed each other in conquest, and today, as above stated, evidences are to be found in the ancient settlements of their unknown inhabitants. The old pueblos in New Mexico are the homes of the descendants of the cliff dwellers, and the antiquarian will find enough of what is old beyond tradition, yet new to the nineteenth century, to keep him occupied for years in patient research. It is not necessary to go to Egypt or Persia to find ruins and relics of people who have passed from the face of the earth; they can be found right here in New Mexico and within easy reach of comfortable homes and hotels."

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Program to Be Observed Thursday at Epiphany Church.

The program to be observed at the Church of the Epiphany Thursday next, commemorative of the death of General Washington, will be as follows: Opening prayer, by Bishop Satterlee; hymn, "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne," Choral Society; introduction of speakers, by Mr. Jno. A. Kasson; addresses, by Dr. Ballinger, president of the University of Virginia; J. L. M. Curry, Senators Kyle and Hawley and others; reading of item from George Washington's will, by Dr. David B. Hill; reading of a letter from Cardinal Gibbons; Hallelujah Chorus, by the Choral Society.

The band of Fort Myer will also furnish music. Finale, "The Star Spangled Banner."

CONDENSED LOCALS.

Charles Peters, a colored boy, who lives at 2012 Government alley southwest, was thrown from a horse near 12th street and New York avenue yesterday morning. He was painfully injured about the hip, but he refused to go to a hospital for treatment.

Joseph Hill, colored, fell from the steps in front of his house, No. 668 Freeman's alley, Saturday night, and broke his left hand. He was removed to Freedmen's Hospital in the police ambulance.

The District Commissioners have directed that a gas lamp be erected on the north side of S street between 1st street and Le Droit avenue, and that an incandescent electric lamp be established on the north side of Randolph street between 3d and 4th northeast.

John T. O'Brien today pleaded guilty in the Police Court of keeping a disorderly house. Judge Scott imposed a penalty of $50 fine, with the alternative of 120 days in jail.

Mrs. Marian Winstead was today fined $5 by Judge Scott for striking Mrs. Lucy Knott in the face with her fist. The fine was paid.

James Fletcher was fined $2 by Judge Kimball today for driving on the wrong side of Pennsylvania avenue. He was arrested Saturday afternoon by Policeman Hibl.

He Was Mistaken.

Frank Cross, living at Silver Hill, Prince George's county, Md., reported to the police at Anacostia Saturday evening that two pairs of new shoes had been stolen from his carriage while he was on his way home. He named the alleged thief, but before the officers could make an arrest the shoes were returned to the owner, having been found on Cross' porch yesterday morning.

Education Among Hebrews.

Rabbi L. Stern of the Washington Hebrew Congregation spoke last evening at the Church of the United Brethren, corner of North Capitol and R streets, upon "Education Among the Hebrews." He referred especially to the religious training of Jewish children. Dr. Stern's address was of unusual interest and was given the utmost attention by the large audience present.

The special music for the occasion was a vocal solo by Mrs. S. W. Mellott, accompanied by Prof. Chas. A. L. Pearson.

In the Negative.

At the meeting of the Debating Society of the National University, held Saturday evening, a resolution affirming that B. H. Roberts should be refused a seat in the House of Representatives was debated.

The affirmative was supported by Messrs. Swift, Morgan and Jackson; the negative by Messrs. Davison, Hege and Chase.

At the conclusion of the debate the decision of the judges, Messrs. Simms, Chandler and Jones, was given to the negative by a vote of 2 to 1.

Mr. Gompers Slowly Improving.

Mr. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who was so severely injured last Thursday by accidentally riding his bicycle against the side of a swiftly moving electric car, is slowly improving, although he still suffers much pain. Absolute quiet has been prescribed by his physician, Dr. Balloch. It will be some time, it is thought, before Mr. Gompers will recover sufficiently to transact any business.

DEATH OF GREGORY ENNIS

A Native-Born Washingtonian Who Was Highly Esteemed.

Possessed of a Disposition Which Endeared Him to a Large Circle—Funeral Wednesday.

Gregory Ennis, one of the oldest and most highly esteemed citizens of the District, died yesterday at his residence, No. 1136 8th street northwest, after a brief illness. Mr. Ennis, who was nearly seventy years old, but remarkably well preserved and active for one of his age, was seized with a chill last Monday morning while at the breakfast table, and went to bed, from which he never arose.

He was born in Washington and was prominent in its business affairs until he retired something over thirty years ago. His last active participation in business was as a member of the grocery firm of Sioussa & Ennis, which flourished for quite a period on the south side of Pennsylvania avenue between 6th and 7th streets. He was a man of most lovable disposition, and his amiable qualities endeared him to a large number. He was retiring in his nature, but in his immediate circle he was extremely popular, and his charity was unbounded. His brother, the late John F. Ennis, who occupied a leading place in the ranks of lawyers for many years, was more active in local affairs than himself, but he kept a very warm interest in everything that promised to be of advantage to the progress and welfare of his native city and helped it both by influence and substance.

For over forty years Mr. Ennis occupied a large brick residence on the north side of F street between 12th and 13th streets, and was the last of the residents on that portion of the now busy thoroughfare to give up a home there on account of the increasing hustle of the passing life. Mr. Ennis was one of the most zealous promoters of Carroll Institute and, from its foundation was ever earnest in behalf of its advancement.

Funeral Wednesday Morning.

The funeral will take place Wednesday morning, and solemn requiem mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's Church at 10 o'clock.

The pallbearers will be Messrs. Frank D. Orme, Dominick I. Murphy, Edward J. Hannan, Stephen B. Ellery, Charles Werner and Charles B. Bayly.

Mr. Ennis is survived by a widow, a daughter, formerly Miss Susie Ennis, who is now the wife of Mr. William M. Hedian of Baltimore, and a sister, Mrs. John F. Ellis. The Ellis music store will remain closed until after the funeral.

In speaking of Mr. Ennis today, an old friend, who had known him intimately for over a third of a century, gave a striking illustration of his character.

"He was the only man I ever knew," he remarked, "who seemed to regard every one of his fellow-men as being incapable of wrong. When he would hear that some one he knew or knew of had lapsed from the proper path he would remark, 'Well, I declare,' as if it was the most remarkable thing he had ever heard of. He was a good man, a good citizen, a splendid gentleman, and the poor will miss him mightily."

IRRIGATING ARID LANDS.

Data to Be Gathered by the Census Bureau.

A special effort will be made by the division of agriculture of the twelfth census of the United States to collect and tabulate important data relating to irrigation in the arid and semi-humid regions of the United States. A preliminary schedule has been prepared and will soon be sent out to obtain the names of corporations and individuals owning canals or ditches. A request is made also for the names of the principal canals or ditches in their order down stream.

These various inquiries of the census office in no way conflict with or duplicate the work with reference to irrigation which is being conducted by any other department of state. The most nearly related inquiry is that of the geological survey, which, like that of the census, is under the more immediate direction of Mr. F. H. Newell, the special agent for irrigation in the eleventh census and hydrographer of the geological survey.

OVER THREE HUNDRED MILLIONS.

Estimated Value of Last Year's Cotton Crop.

The final report of the statistician of the Department of Agriculture on the production of cotton in the United States for the year ended August 31, 1899, shows the production to have been 11,189,205 bales, an increase of 291,348 bales over the preceding year. Of the total crop, 11,121,414 bales were upland, averaging 515 pounds per bale, gross weight, and 67,791 were Sea Island, averaging 390 pounds per bale, gross weight. The average production per acre was .448 of a bale.

The estimate of production is based mainly on official statements as to the movement of cotton from the plantation to points of shipment or consumption, on returns made by officials of cotton mills and on reports of special agents. The total value of the crop, estimated on the basis of the average prices during the first six months of the cotton year at the various large markets nearest to the different centers of production was $305,467,041, the average price per pound being 5.27 cents for upland and 14 cents for Sea Island.

An Enjoyable Recital.

The pupils of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lent were heard in an interesting and enjoyable recital Saturday evening at Universalist Church. The program was cleverly selected, each of its numbers being especially entertaining. Those who participated included Mrs. E. L. Bugbee, Mrs. Elizabeth G. Coombs, Mrs. Jessie Crocker, Misses Florence Stevens, Louise Farrow, Florence Wieser, Helen Bastianelli, McClellan, Iva Martin, Lilla McCauley, Ethel Miner, Ethel Clark, Julland, Lena Zimmermann, Mabel Montgomery, Grace Harding, Louise Slear, Lily Gerry, Mary Bastianelli, May Stoops, Clara Weems, Louise Hull, Elizabeth Sloan, Ida Ullman, Isabelle Peacock, Anna Endicott, Edith Fry, Matilda Rochon, Messrs. Edward Schultz, John Timms, Harold Smoot, Earl Smoot, Richard Barry, Mark Lansburgh, Ready Aycock, Rudolf Lent, Paul Finckel, Alexander Mason, Wilmar Lent and August Heck.

THE HEALTH HABIT
JUST AS EASY TO FORM AS ANY OTHER.
We do not deliberately form our pet habits, but they are unconsciously acquired and grow as we grow, and by the time we learn they are hurting us, we find them too strong to be easily broken.
Then, why not form a good habit, a habit which will counteract the many bad ones, in other words contract the unfashionable habit of being always well.
The best health habit to get into is to have and keep a vigorous stomach; if you have a healthy digestion you can drink your beloved coffee, smoke your favorite brand of tobacco, with little or no harm; the mischief begins when these things are forced upon the faithful stomach, without any assistance.
Form the habit of taking after meals some harmless but efficient digestive which will relieve the stomach of so much extra work.
Nature furnishes us with such digestives, and when they are combined in such a pleasant preparation as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, they give the overworked stomach just the necessary assistance to secure perfect digestion without any of the harmful effects of cathartics and similar drugs.
The habit of taking Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals is as necessary to the weak stomach as food itself, and indeed to get the benefit from food eaten, nothing better and certainly nothing safer can be used.
Many families consider Stuart's Tablets as essential in the house as knives and forks.
They consist entirely of natural digestive principles without the effect or characteristics of drugs; they have no cathartic action, but simply go to work on the food eaten and digest it.
Take into account your bad habits and the expense they entail and then invest fifty cents in a box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and see if your digestion for the next month is not vastly improved.
Ask the clerk in any drug store the name of the most successful and popular stomach remedy and he will say "Stuart's." de11&14

RAIN AND WARMER.

Colder Tuesday Night, Fresh to Brisk Southerly Winds.

Forecast till 8 p.m. Tuesday—For the District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, rain; warmer tonight. Tuesday rain; colder at night; fresh to brisk southerly winds.

Weather conditions and general forecast—Since Sunday morning a storm has moved up from the west gulf coast to the middle Mississippi valley, with steadily increasing energy. It has caused a continuance of the general rains which have been in progress during the past two days in the slope region and the Mississippi valley, and also their extension to the Atlantic coast. In the rear of this storm in the eastern portion of the middle slope rain has changed to snow. Thus far there has been but little wind with the storm.

Temperatures are high from the Mississippi valley eastward, ranging from 10 degrees to 30 degrees above the seasonal average. Westward to the Rocky mountains they have fallen 4 degrees to 24 degrees, but are not much below the seasonal average, except in Colorado and Texas.

The storm will continue its north-northeastward movement, and will cause high southeast to south winds over the lower lakes this afternoon and tonight. Rain will continue in the east gulf and Atlantic states, the Ohio valley and lower lake region, continuing Tuesday, except in the gulf states and lower Ohio valley. It will be fair in the southwest.

It will be colder tonight in the middle gulf states and lower Ohio valley, and the fall in temperature will extend eastward, reaching the coast Tuesday night. Near the lower lakes the lower temperature will probably cause the rain to change to snow.

Brisk southeast to south winds will prevail on the Atlantic coast.

Storm signals are displayed on Lakes Erie and Ontario, and also at New Orleans, Port Eads, Pensacola and Mobile.

The following heavy precipitation (in inches) has been reported during the past twenty-four hours: Little Rock, 2.36; Louisville, 1.14; Vicksburg, 5.56; Nashville, 2.52; Shreveport, 1.52; Galveston, 1.10; Meridian, 3.22; Mobile, 2.32; Cairo, 1.68; Memphis, 1.22; Chattanooga, 1.18; Roseburg, 1.12; Tacoma, 1.00.

For the twenty-four hours ending 8 a