

AWAKENED ANXIETY

Effects of a Special River Bulletin of the Weather Bureau.

WARNINGS TO WHARF OCCUPANTS

Few of the Latter Believe There Will Be Much of a Flood.

PRESENT CONDITIONS

Fears of a flood in Washington, which disturbed nervous members of the community, had been pretty thoroughly assuaged by the assurances of old and experienced river sharpshooters today that nothing terrible would happen, when all of a sudden a special bulletin from the weather bureau again alarmed them.

At 9 o'clock this morning the stage of the Potomac river at Harper's Ferry was 19.5 feet, a rise of 0.5 feet since a. m. yesterday. This will cause a marked rise in the river at Washington, and others on Louisiana avenue between 9th and 10th streets will be flooded to a depth of several inches by tonight, and the B street sewer at the foot of H street will be full to the crown.

Some felt after perusing the above that the national capital might become another Johnstown or Galveston, but the outlook in such a serious light.

What Occupants Warned. To be on the safe side, however, Harbor-master Sutton, when he received the bulletin, proceeded to notify the occupants of the wharves between the Long bridge and the arsenal, in order that they might remove their goods and prevent loss.

Of the small craft were busy this afternoon securing their boats. Many of the dealers recalled similar warnings they had received when they were in the city during the flood of 1872, and the floods failed to come.

There was a fall of about one foot during the tide today, and the south wind was keeping the tide much higher than it would be otherwise.

The present condition of the river, it is stated, will not interfere in any way with the movements of the river steamers. The Fern, the boat of the 6th street wharf, the District militia, is at the 6th street wharf. Because of the threatening condition steamers were kept away from the wharves.

Reports From Up-River. General Manager G. L. Nicolson of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal expressed the opinion this morning that there would be no serious flood in the Potomac.

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The home of the Potomac Boat Club was less fortunate, and the place was entirely flooded. It is stated that the boats were the other boat houses, and for that reason is said to suffer at any rise.

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when the water would partly subside. The firm had made no preparations for a flood, and if the water rose to a considerable height ropes would be strung along, fastened to heavy poles, to prevent the piles of lumber from washing away.

The office of General Manager Nicolson was besieged with persons anxious for news, and he readily furnished everything he knew. He stated to a Star reporter that the damage to the canal would not be serious, though nothing definitely could be judged until the water went down.

With the water much higher than it was this morning it is believed considerable damage will be done to the property of the Sycamore Island Club, near Glen Echo. Late yesterday afternoon the island was partly under water, which was still rising.

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KILBOURNE IN LEAD

Choice of the Masses of the Ohio Democracy.

HOP CONTEST ON FOR GOVERNOR

Hard Fight Against McLean-Johnson Combination.

DARK HORSES IN THE FIELD

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 21, 1901. Col. James Kilbourne of this city, candidate for the democratic nomination for governor, is evidently trying to break the McLean-Johnson combination in democratic politics, which promises to make short work of the colonel's gubernatorial aspirations.

While Saturday was a rainy day, yet, according to some real estate brokers, more large transactions were closed that day than on any one day for a long time. It is reported that one of the deals referred to was the sale of what is known as the Fraser house, the large spacious residence erected several years ago at the northeast corner of 10th and E streets by the late George Fraser.

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WRIT DENIED.

Action of United States Supreme Court in 1901.

NEW REGULATIONS

Under Act to Prevent Violations of Public Decency.

REPORT BY ATTORNEY FOR DISTRICT

Draft of Law to Govern Places of Amusement.

PENALTIES PRESCRIBED

Congress passed during its recent session an act regulating licenses to proprietors of theaters and other public places of amusement, the object thereof being to prevent violations of public decency.

The act, which was approved by the President March 1, 1901, is as follows: "That the assessor of the District of Columbia be and he is authorized to prepare a draft of a law to govern the places of amusement in the District of Columbia, which shall be subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia."

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INJURIES WERE FATAL

Death of Unknown Colored Man at Emergency Hospital.

FINANCE AND TRADE

Heavy Realizing Was the Feature of Closing Stocks.

BIG BULGE IN ST. PAUL

Southwestern Group Also Developed Considerable Strength.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, April 22.—Opening prices failed to register a bulge from Saturday's closing level which was generally predicted, and the market was regarded as greater favor in consequence. London sent over a higher range of prices and foreign houses were inclined to buy a few shares while realizing in others.

St. Paul attracted a good demand and was advanced from 170 to 175 during the morning hour. This advance was variously explained, but one fact generally accepted in explanation was that the discrepancy between it and Burlington was not justified. There may be a deal which will remedy this inequality or the directors may be forced into a more generous distribution of earnings. The stock was taken in round amounts and for interests generally credited with conservatism.

The southwestern group was a feature of the day, because of the increasing evidence that something official is to be given out on the subject of the merger in that section. At the meeting of Missouri Pacific directors a resolution increasing the capital to an even \$100,000,000 was passed, and the stockholders will be asked to ratify the same at an early day. The proceeds from the sale of the new stock go in payment of the Denver and Rio Grande purchase.

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LAUNCH OF CUP DEFENDER

It Cannot Possibly Take Place Before May.

TRouble Over "Dead Work" in Ohio and West Virginia Mines.

SIX KILLED BY EXPLOSION.

Fatal Accident in Hotel at St. Mary's.

EX-SENATOR BUTLER.

He Approves the Position of Senator McLaughlin.

GEN. PEARSON'S PETITION.

It Will Be Given Due Consideration at the State Department.

Going Over Mr. Yeatman's Books.

Movements of Naval Vessels.

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