

Giddings & Steele Mattings. --Some price attractions that should stimulate buying. It is only natural that the present war in the far east should affect prices on all import orders from the Orient.

China Mattings. Regular Price. Our Price. 40-yard Rolls...\$10.00 \$6.00 40-yard Rolls...\$14.00 \$10.00 40-yard Rolls...\$16.00 \$12.00 40-yard Rolls...\$20.00 \$14.00

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A Simple Question Washington People Are Requested to Honestly Answer This. Is not the word of a representative citizen of Washington more convincing than the doubtful utterances of people living everywhere else in the Union? Read this:

A GOOD SPRING TONIC. Is essential to health. One that we can fully recommend is Chippewa Indian Blood Cordial. It is made entirely from herbs, roots and barks, and is a very valuable blood purifier and liver regulator. 50c. a Bottle.

Trunks & Bags of exceptional quality are priced at their lowest during the semi-annual clearance sale. —This stock of baggage anticipates every need of those who'll travel. There is every size and every size Trunk and Bag in the world and all are greatly reduced in price during this clearance sale.

Becker's, 1328 F St., America's Foremost Leather Goods Store.

Kellum's Sure Cure For Indigestion. Physicians prescribe it. Druggists recommend it. The public praises it, and we guarantee it.

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Williams' Temple Drug Store, Corner 9th & F. The New Avenue Store. See Our Window Display of Standard Flange Fountain Pens —A CLEAN Fountain Pen that won't soil your fingers. Ask the Pen Clerk why?

The Smith-Powell Paper Co., 1209 Pa. av. Wholesale and Retail. 'Phone Main 3305.

The Woman With Hair On Her Face. FEW of us have any idea of the troubles of the woman with hair on her face.

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FESTIVAL OF NATIONS Entertainment in Interest of Local Charity. ELABORATE DISPLAY NEWSBOYS' HOME AND CHILDREN'S AID ASSOCIATION. Society People Prominent as Guests as Well as in the Presentation of Attractions.

The festival of nations held at Rauscher's yesterday afternoon was a tremendous success financially as well as socially, and the hundreds present in their many admiring comments of the beauty of the scenes laid in both ball rooms proved that an artistic triumph had been achieved also. The women interested in getting up the affair found everybody willing to help.

Mrs. Oliver Cromwell was in charge of the garden, and had for her assistants Miss Daisy Colton, Miss Ely, Mrs. Walter Farwell, Miss Ferguson, Miss Julia Goldborough, Miss Loring, Mrs. Lorraine Moore, Miss Hildegarde McKenna, Miss Morgan, Miss Catherine Ridgely, Miss Robeson, Miss Ethel Seckendorff and Miss Annette Townsend.

Scandinavia made an exceedingly odd show, both in the quaint costumes worn by the assistants and the wares they offered. Mrs. Alex. Graham Bell and Mrs. Gore were assisted in costume by Mrs. Victor Kaufmann, Mrs. Alexander Britton, Miss Flora Wilson and Miss Irene Moore.

John T. Davis, with Miss Foraker, Miss Hoban and Miss McKenna, in white gowns and powdered hair; Miss Patterson, a Puritan maiden; Miss Miller, a colonial beauty; and Miss Jones as a woman of Liberty, had the United States booth.

Hyattsville and Vicinity. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. HYATTSVILLE, Md., March 26, 1904. "Maryland day" was generally observed in the public schools of the county yesterday. In several of the schools appropriate exercises were held and all were closed for half a day.

Former Washingtonian Dead. Capt. Boardman received a dispatch this morning from an undertaker at Los Angeles, Cal., telling of the death of John G. Davis, a former Washingtonian. The deceased was in the grocery business in this city a number of years ago. He left here ten years ago, and his brother, William B. Davis, has not heard from him during all this time.

ALEXANDRIA AFFAIRS WILLIAM BRENT FINED \$50 FOR SHOOTING FRED JENKINS. Defendant Said He Didn't Know Gun Was Loaded—General Matters.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. ALEXANDRIA, Va., March 26, 1904. William Brent, colored, charged with shooting Fred Watkins, also colored, with a shotgun, was arraigned before Justice Caton in the police court this morning.

Preparations for Conference Made. The congregation of the Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church South has completed arrangements for entertaining about 400 ministerial and lay delegates at the one hundred and twentieth session of the national conference.

Sudden Death. Mr. Benjamin Henry Jenkins, a resident of the first ward, died suddenly last night at his residence at the corner of Duke and Fairfax streets. He was about eighty-two years of age. Mr. Jenkins was at one time a leading contractor of this city.

General Matters. Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Onato Downey, whose death occurred Wednesday, took place this morning at 9:30 o'clock from her late residence on Franklin street. Later mass was celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Rev. Father H. J. Cutler officiating. The interment was made in St. Mary's cemetery.

THE HEARINGS CLOSED. End of Argument Before House Committee on the Eight-Hour Bill. Hearings on the eight-hour bill, which have been proceeding before the House committee on labor for the past six weeks, were closed today, both sides to the controversy being heard and the friends of the bill having the last word.

For St. Matthew's Church. A fancy dress tea will be given Thursday, April 7, at Rauscher's, from 3 to 7, for the benefit of St. Matthew's Church. Mrs. White, Mrs. McKenna and Mrs. Miltenberger will have the tea table; Madame Jusserand, flowers; Mrs. Henry May bonbons; Mrs. F. Barbour, Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Riggs, cake; Mrs. McCroney, Mrs. Atwell, Mrs. Preston Sands and Mrs. Carr, fancy articles; Mrs. Henry Smith, Mrs. Baragon and the Misses Cullen; lemonade; Mrs. James H. Sands, Countess de Cellere, Mrs. Henry Cleveland Perkins and Mrs. Theodore Mosher, refreshments, and Mrs. George Howard, Mrs. John O'Donnell will sell spring and summer hats.

Maple Sugar. Let us see the maple sugar crop of last year was not quite up to standard, was it? But according to all accounts the disappointment of the last sugar season is to be atoned for in this year's yield. Quantity and quality are to be, if all the signs are to be trusted, just what proprietors of maple groves and patrons of such quarters would like to see.

BUSINESS TELEPHONES A Proposed Amendment Regulating Rates for Them. STATED TO COMMITTEE OPPOSING ARGUMENTS BY THE TELEPHONE PRESIDENT.

The C. and P. Company Opposed to the Regulation of Business Rates. The discussion of the telephone rate question in the Senate yesterday afternoon did not touch in any way upon the difference between the residential and the business use of the telephones in the District.

Private Exchanges. "But a charge may be made and collected for the use of a telephone connected with and forming a part of a private exchange at rates not exceeding \$10, and for the rates to be charged and collected as above specified unlimited service shall be furnished.

Forfeiture. "Any violation of the above provisions fixing the amounts to be charged or collected for the use of a telephone shall work a forfeiture of all right and authority to conduct a telephone business in the District of Columbia by the person or company so violating said provisions or any of them; and it shall be the duty of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to declare said forfeiture and to enforce the same in any manner or by any means necessary to accomplish the purpose.

New Company. "In the event said Commissioners shall declare a forfeiture of the right of any person or telephone company to conduct the telephone business in the District of Columbia they shall be then fully empowered to authorize some other telephone company to construct a suitable plant and conduct a telephone business in the District of Columbia; provided, said company shall first give bond to the District of Columbia in such reasonable sum as the Commissioners may determine and which shall be approved by the Commissioners and conditioned to save harmless the District of Columbia in the construction and maintenance of the plant and in the carrying out of the laws relating to telephone service and telephone charges in said District."

Proposition Opposed. This proposition was opposed at the time by Mr. U. N. Bethell, president of the C. and P. Telephone Company, who argued that the contention for a flat top rate was not a subject for discussion. He contended that if the flat rate was fixed the small users would have to come up in his payments to enable the company to do business at a profit. He declared that the adoption of such an amendment would stop all progress on the part of the company, and that Congress had no right to force the \$48 rate under test.

Wills Filed for Probate. The will of Phebe E. Loucks, dated the 10th instant, has been filed for probate. Her husband and children were the beneficiaries. By the terms of the will of William S. Campbell, formerly United States consul at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, dated November 17, 1898, also filed with the register, his wife, Josephine Burdett Campbell, is named sole beneficiary and executrix.

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MOTHER'S BREAD. When perfection is reached success is instantaneous. When we brought bread-making to the perfection reached in Mother's Bread it instantly became the staple bread in the homes of all Washingtonians. owes its success to the care, the knowledge, the facilities exercised in its preparation. There's not a more carefully prepared food on the market--there's not one of which its makers have such a thorough knowledge of the ingredients contained. That means, of course, not the mere ingredients themselves, for every one knows flour, salt, milk, yeast, water, sugar and shortening go to make up bread, but we know from chemical analysis and microscopical examination the properties of all ingredients we use. We know they're right--we know they're pure--we know that developed in combination as we develop them in Mother's Bread they result in the purest, most wholesome, most delicious, most easily digested food you can take. There's not a bit of waste about Mother's Bread. You get more nourishment from it for the amount of energy expended in digestion than from anything else you eat. The more you know of Mother's Bread the more strenuously you'll insist on getting it from your grocer.

Corby's Modern Bakery. W.B. Moses & Sons. F St. Cor. 11th. Storage Warehouse, 22d and M. Furniture Factory, 14th and B. Mattress and Couch Factory, 1233 F St.

A Forced Sale of Bordered Carpets. WERE room making in order to properly place spring stocks. We're buying the room by sacrificing goods. Every carpet remnant left from the past season's selling has been made up into a bordered carpet--105 carpets in all--and will be forced out at less than the goods themselves are worth as remnants.

Table with columns for Tapestry Brussels, Axminsters, Body Brussels, Wilton Velvets, Velvets, English Wiltons, and Royal Wiltons. Lists various carpet types and their prices.

W. B. Moses & Sons, F St., Cor. Eleventh. Send us your Oriental Rugs to repair. Native weavers.

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