

HIS GRIP ALONG THE WATER FRONT

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED ABOUT THE BARGE

CALENDAR FOR THIS DAY
Sun. 7:11 A. M.
Mon. 7:11 A. M.
Tue. 7:11 A. M.
Wed. 7:11 A. M.
Thurs. 7:11 A. M.
Fri. 7:11 A. M.
Sat. 7:11 A. M.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Forecast for Saturday, for Virginia: Increasing cloudiness with probably light rain at night; light to fresh southeast to east winds.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

ARRIVALS
Steamship Gena (Br.), Lewer, Galveston.
Steamship Broomhaugh, Galveston.
Steamship City of New York (Br.), Tidahy, Galveston.
Steamship Romola (Br.), Merrifield, New Orleans.

THE FLYING PROAS.

Special and Wonderfully Fast Sailing Boats of the Ladrone Islands
Of the flying proas of the Ladrone Islands, the reports of travelers are almost incredible. The appearance of the proa filled the early voyager with astonishment and its speed with wonder. "This invention," says a recent writer, "would do credit to any civilized nation." The stern and stem are alike and are very sharp. The boat sails in either direction, and always with the same side to the wind. On the windward side is a long outrigger, and at its extremity is a log of wood pointed at both ends and parallel with the boat. This prevents the capsizing of the boat, the lee side of which is vertical to prevent drifting to leeward, while the weather side is built in the ordinary manner.

To change the direction of the boat, the fore and of the yard is brought down while the other is raised, and thus the direction of the boat is reversed, with that of later or triangular sail, while the outrigger is still to windward. These proas passed between Macellan's ships going at full sail and the boats they towed astern, "so quickly and skillfully that it was a marvel."

Van Noort, the first Dutch circumnavigator, says that "sometimes 200 of these proas with four or five men apiece, would come to trade, all halloing together 'Hera, hera—that is, 'iron, iron,' and with very capacious run their proas upon the ships." Jacques le Heron, who was at the coast of Guam in 1625, says that the inhabitants came out six miles to meet him, with all sort of refreshments to exchange for old iron, and that there were 150 proas trading with him at one time. An old writer saw that "one of these proas, being dispatched from Guam to Manila, which is 400 good leagues, performed the voyage in four days."

Daupler, who was at Guam during one of his voyages round the world, says: "I

ent his sailors called them Ladroneas or Robber Islands. Drake called the Folow Islands, 58 years later, the Islands of Thieves—Discharge.
Young Man—Doctor, you have been attending me for a week, and I am worse than I was at the start.
Physician—I will be frank with you, sir. Being unable to discover what was the matter with you and being unwilling to risk interfering with the curative powers of nature, I have given you no medicine at all. In fact, my treatment has not commenced yet.
"But you have been giving me pills only!"
"They were only a ruse. They were made of bread."
"Where did you get the bread?"
"Your young and charming wife made it."
"No wonder I'm worse!"—Pearson's Weekly.

Concerning "Christian Names."

May one interject a gentle protest against the use of the phrase "Christian name" in this connection? The Romans said pronomen, the French say prenom, and we have used the word "forename" for the last 305 years. It is as incorrect to speak of the Christian name of a Jew, for example, as it would be hopeless to expect a Christmas card from a Jewish rabbi. Again, the middle name of a Roman was his gentile name—that of his gens. On the surface, what a pretty confusion of ideas it would have been to have spoken of the name as at once gentile and Christian!—Notes and Queries.

His Nervousness.

Patient—Doctor, I attribute my dyspepsia to the fact that I have attended a great many public dinners.
Doctor—Oh, I see! You were frequently called on to speak, and the nervous apprehension upset your digestion.
Patient—Not exactly. My nervous apprehension was on account of the other speakers. I never said anything.—New York Tribune.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOUND—ON MY PREMISES DECEMBER 8th, a mouse colored cow. Owner can get same by calling and paying charges. HENRY STUART, Fox Hill road. dcl7-3*

LOST—ON THURSDAY A WATCH—diamond. Finder returning same to 230 Party-third street will be liberally rewarded. JAMES SHAW. It

WANTED—AN ENERGETIC YOUNG man, of good character, with small capital, as partner in produce business. Address "X," this office.

A First Class Butcher Arrived in the city yesterday and with W. B. Robinson & Co. grocers Thirty-first street and Washington avenue. Choice beef and other fresh meat delivered promptly.

For all coughs and colds:

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

The medicine tried for 60 years is the medicine you can afford to try.

Heads to the North.

The speculation that human beings should sleep with their heads to the north is believed by the French to have for its foundation a scientific fact. They affirm that such human system is in itself an electric battery, the head being one of the electrodes, the feet the other. Their proof was discovered from experiments which the Academy of Sciences was allowed to make on the body of a man who was guillotined. This was taken the instant it fell and placed upon a pivot free to move as it might. The head part after a little revolved on turned to the north, and the body then remained stationary. It was turned half way round by one of the professors, and again the head end of the trunk moved slowly to the cardinal point due north, the same results being repeated until the final arrestation of organic movement.—Doct in Traveler.

Marhead Enclosed

DR. E. C. WEBB'S NERVE AND BRAIN TREATMENT
THE ORIGINAL, ALL OTHERS IMITATIONS.
Is sold under the name of Dr. Webb's Nerve and Brain Treatment, and is a most valuable medicine for the cure of all nervous diseases, such as Headache, Neuralgia, Migraine, Epilepsy, St. Vitus's Dance, Hysteria, Paralysis, Spasms, Convulsions, and all other diseases of the Nervous System. It is a most valuable medicine for the cure of all nervous diseases, such as Headache, Neuralgia, Migraine, Epilepsy, St. Vitus's Dance, Hysteria, Paralysis, Spasms, Convulsions, and all other diseases of the Nervous System.



For Lovers of Rare Old Wine

Fine liquors, champagnes, and there is nothing that will please more for an Xmas gift than a case of our liquors or a bottle of nice brandy. Santa Claus will revel in the choice stock that we have spread before our patrons for the holiday trade. California clarets, ports, sherries and wines for cooking or table use at low prices.

R. J. MACKEY.

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(Date of Washington, D. C.)
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NEWPORT NEWS VA.
Plans and Specifications Prepared in Short Notice.

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HOTEL WARWICK

J. R. SWINERTON, Manager.

SPECIAL RATES TO COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS.

AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN PLAN.



Our Display Of Holiday Goods Will Fascinate You.

We never before showed so many pretty things at such small prices. We need not remind you that useful articles are most appreciated. Fancy Parlor Tables, Pretty Rockers, Lamps, Pictures, China Sets, China Closets, Chiffoniers, Couches, Mirrors, Desks, Sideboards, Suits of Furniture, Parlor Suits. Our terms are most liberal. We can accommodate you. Our prices are lower than any competition can reach. We only handle goods of undoubted quality.

Chicago House Furnishing COMPANY,
The Universal House Furnishers.
248 Twenty-eighth Street.

WE OFFER FOR SALE

The following very desirable Properties:
Four lots on the corner of Lafayette avenue and Twenty-eighth street, with improvements thereon, \$15,000.
Brick store and flats on Twenty-eighth street near Washington avenue, \$7,500.
Six new 6-room houses on Forty-sixth street; all modern improvements, renting for \$90 monthly; \$5,400.
Two unimproved lots, corner of Thirty-fifth street and Washington avenue, \$11,000.
Three-story brick business property on a Washington avenue corner; price \$14,500. It rents for \$1,800 per annum.
Store and rooms above, on Jefferson avenue near Twenty-second street, \$2,100.
House and lot corner of Jefferson avenue and Twenty-seventh street, where the car stops, \$2,500. This property rents for \$52 a month.
New dwelling on Forty-ninth street, very desirable, and all modern improvements, \$2,800.
A vacant lot on Washington avenue, near Twenty-seventh street, \$6,100.
Three beautiful dwellings on Thirty-second street, between West and Washington avenues, for \$3,500, \$4,500 and \$6,500.
Three lots and a 5-room dwelling, corner of Oak avenue and Twenty-seventh street, \$1,500.
A desirable 10-room house, with southern exposure, on Thirty-third street near West avenue, for \$5,000.
Three houses in East End, renting for \$37 monthly, price \$3,200.
Lots on Jefferson avenue, near the street car line, for \$500.
Two houses and lots, on Twenty-third street near Madison avenue, for \$3,000, which rent for \$64 monthly.
Lots above the shipyard for \$400.
Lots in East End from \$150 to \$200.
Lots near C. & O. Piers for \$100.
All prices quoted above are subject to change at any time. We can generally make terms to suit on anything we offer.
We invite the listing of property with us by those having it for sale.

Irwin Tucker & Co.
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The question of the hour—What shall I give him? Read through the items below and you will be sure to find there just what you want—and what is more gratifying what will be the right thing.

Perseus
NEW ROBEY PATENT

GLOVES, HATS, SUIT CASES, WALKING STICKS, UMBRELLAS, SCARF PINS, SLIPPERS, SUSPENDERS, SHIRTS, SHOES, SOCKS, SMOKING JACKETS

And lots of other items which this space does not permit us to mention. Prices are the lowest for quality shown. Call and see us. Make your selections now and we will put them away for you.

The Reliable Clothier, Shoer and Hatter.

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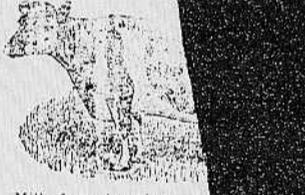
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Milk from healthy cows, clean as a house and always fresh.

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Good styles, a big variety of prices to suit the masses. Mugler's shoes a popular shoe for women and children.

We strive to satisfy our patrons. We appreciate every cent spent with us.

Try us once and see how well we treat you. Good quality and low prices. Our store a popular resort for men.

Furnishings, Hats, etc. We make a specialty of Neckwear and Underwear.

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OHIO RAILWAY
NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

No. 1	No. 2
9:15am	4:35pm
11:20am	6:50pm
12:00pm	
3:40pm	
2:15pm	10:30pm
5pm	2:45am
5:25pm	4:25am
6pm	6:25am
6:30pm	7:30am
6:55pm	
7:15pm	5:15pm
7:40pm	8:00pm
8:15pm	7:15am
8:40pm	7:30am

Point to the... on Nov. 13, 1898.

No. 4 daily.

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