The Weather Today.
Generally fair, partly cloudy.
Warmer.
Southwesterly winds.

The MORNING Times

266,427 was the TIMES' circulation for last week.
The STAR'S circulation for last week was . . . 180,866

VOL. 3. NO. 784. WASHINGTON, D. C., SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 9, 1896—EIGHT PAGES. ONE CENT.

Extra! Extra!

The Whole Town Electrified

By the wonderful bargains offered at the Misfit Clothing Parlors, 407 Seventh street, the past few days. We propose to keep up the excitement. Here is strong evidence of it. We will sell today fine Custom-made Suits at $8, none of which were made to order for less than $20. Suits made to measure for $25 we will sell at $10. Garments originally ordered for $30 you can buy today at $12, and suits measured for $35 you buy at $15. Custom-made Trousers ordered at from $4 to $5 today $2.50. Serve yourself judiciously and visit the Misfit Parlors today ere you order your suit or before you buy the ordinary ready-made stuff. We absolutely guarantee each and every garment to be as represented, and to keep them in repair for one year, free of charge. Misfit Clothing Parlors, 407 Seventh street northwest.

STILL CALLED PROHIBITIONIST.

Party in Missouri Refuses to Change Its Name to "National."

Sedalia, Mo., May 8.—The State Prohibition convention this forenoon defeated a resolution providing for changing the name of the party from Prohibition to National. The remainder of the morning hour was devoted to discussing the three reports of the committee on platform, the majority report being adopted just before the noon adjournment.

The platform reiterates the national platform of 1892 on the liquor and financial questions, advocates female suffrage, favors liberal pensions, indorses the public schools, demands the restriction of pauper and criminal immigration, and urges the enactment of an income tax law.

WHY THE PRINTERS ARE IDLE.

Their Lay-Off Due to a Peculiar System of Bookkeeping.

All printing for the Interior Department is held up in the office of the Public Printer and the 150 or 200 printers employed in the branch office of that Department are temporarily out of a job. This is partly due to lack of funds and partly caused by a system of bookkeeping in vogue in the Government Printing Office.

The sum appropriated for public printing is divided into allotments for the different Departments and the Public Printer is instructed not to go beyond the sum named.

The Interior Department's allotment has been used up and hence the stopping of work. This has been brought about, however, in rather a peculiar manner.

The Patent Office Gazette printing comes under the jurisdiction of the Interior Department, but is provided for by special appropriation. The Public Printing Office was obliged to do some work on the Gazette and the cost was charged up to the Interior Department allowance, greatly diminishing that sum. By this method of bookkeeping the allotment ran out, but it will be in proper shape as soon as a transfer of the money from the Gazette special appropriation is made to the regular Interior Department printing allotment. It is then expected that the men will be reinstated.

JACKSON TRIAL ARGUMENTS.

Will Begin Today, Final Testimony Having Been Heard.

Cincinnati, O., May 8.—Arguments in the Scott Jackson case will commence tomorrow.

The last witness was Capt. S. S. Bassler of the Weather Bureau in Cincinnati, who testified this morning as to the meterological conditions on Friday, January 31, and Saturday, February 1. When Capt. Bassler finished his testimony the defense announced that it rested its case, and the famous trial, as far as evidence is concerned, was ended.

Attorney Lockhard, for the prosecution, asked for time to prepare his argument. This was granted and court adjourned until Saturday morning. The date for Walling's trial has been set for May 19.

Steamers at Southampton.

Southampton, May 8.—Arrived steamer Aller from New York and proceeded for Bremen. Sailed steamer Augusta Victoria from Hamburg for New York.

Special excursion to St. Elmo and Del Ray Sunday at 2:45 p. m. Read our advertisement top of page 24, Sunday Times.

Chew Mint Julep Gum. my7-7t

DISTRICT BILL REPORTED

Appropriation Measure Enlarges the Police Force.

SOME ITEMS OF INCREASE

Bill Reported to the Senate Yesterday by Mr. Teller—Lydecker Tunnel Completion Provided For—Committee to Investigate Charities and Reformatory Institutions.

The District appropriations bill was reported to the Senate yesterday afternoon by Mr. Teller. The charity appropriations are parcelled out to the several institutions as heretofore, instead of being put in a lump and let by contract as proposed by the House. A contest over this point may add a day or two to the length of the session.

The completion of the Lydecker tunnel and new reservoir at Howard University is provided for, and $533,492.76 is made available for the purpose, the price of gas, of street lamps and arc lights and of telephones is restored; the permits for poles for telephone and other purposes, outside of Washington, heretofore issued, are ratified, and the Commissioners are empowered to grant similar permits hereafter.

An incinerating plant for waste other than garbage, a harbor boat, and a morgue and jail wall are also provided for.

The accounting officers of the Treasury are authorized to credit the accounts of ex-Commissioners heretofore held up wherever it shall appear the money was expended in good faith.

The police force is increased by the addition of one lieutenant, making four in all; forty-five privates, class one; thirty privates, class two, and two drivers. For extending the patrol system, $3,500 is added.

An assistant building inspector and an assistant plumbing inspector is also added, and a clerk is made deputy collector at $2,000. The salary of the deputy property clerk is made $1,200; of the secretary of the school board, $1,400; disbursing clerk, auditor's office, $1,600; jail warden, $2,000; two market masters, $1,200 each.

ITEMS OF INCREASE.

The amount of the Commissioners' estimates was $7,706,405.22. The House bill carried $5,418,960.39, and this has been increased by the Senate to $6,961,898.86. The net appropriation for 1896 was $5,761,383.25.

The items of increase are as follows: Executive office, $2,260; collector's office, $1,000; auditor's office, $100; markets, $640; street sweeping office, $24,000; engineer's office, $120; special assessment office, net, $8,500; surveyor's office, $650; contingent expenses, $1,500; rent of District offices, $3,000; morgue, $12,000; advertising, $600; advertising taxes, $1,000; transcribing assessment, $2,000; plat for subdivisions, $1,000; extension of highways, $26,000; lots on Potomac flats $26,684.09.

Assessment and permit work, $40,060; street improvements, $184,000; Florida avenue, $6,000; P street northeast, $7,500; sewers, $347,480; including $162,480 for suburban sewers and $150,000 for Rock Creek and B street, intercepting; county roads repairs, $20,000; county roads construction, $90,500; sweeping streets, $19,450; parking commission, $5,600; street lighting, $53,000; electric lighting, $15,570; new harbor boat, $50,000; public pumps, $3,000; aqueduct protection at Great Falls, $5,000; aqueduct tunnel, $266,746.38; school teachers, $1,100; janitors and care of school buildings, $6,500; rent of schools, $600; repairs of schools, $2,000; manual training schools, $2,000; new school buildings, $131,000; text books, etc., $5,000; additional policemen, $75,360.

Police miscellaneous, $5,750; fire department, $33,800; telegraph and telephone, $2,000; health department, $18,000; police court, fees, $1,000; inclosing jail grounds, $20,000; warden, $200; Washington Asylum, $3,248; Reform School, $2,940; militia, rifle range, repairs, etc., $1,000; water department, $1,100; repairs to Columbia Hospital, $5,000. The $900 for repairs of the harbor boat was taken out.

TO INVESTIGATE CHARITIES.

A joint select committee, to be composed of three Senators and three Representatives, is provided for to make investigation of charities and reformatory institutions, including the question whether any appropriations have been used to aid any religious denomination. The committee is to report as soon as possible at the next session. It will sit during recess with clerk and stenographer. It will recommend changes if deemed best.

A proviso forbids the use of any of the present appropriation for sectarian purposes.

The board of the Industrial Home School is directed to transfer the school to the Commissioners, who shall appoint a board of trustees of nine members, with three-year terms, who shall manage the school under regulations approved by the Commissioners. All supplies are to be paid for by requisition upon the Commissioners, and all receipts are to be turned over to the Commissioners.

The furnaces for burning waste, not garbage, are provided for with $15,000. The Commissioners are to make a four-year contract for this work and establish regulations for collection, etc.

For the firemen's relief fund $1 a month is to be taken from each fireman to be invested in government bonds. Retirement for disability after fifteen years, or by accident, is provided for; also relief for families of firemen dying in the service.

The Commissioners, in case of need, are allowed to take $6,000 for the police fund and $2,000 for the firemen out of police court fines.

Additional school buildings are: Anthony Bowen building, reconstruction and additional ground, $32,000; Langdon, four-room, $10,000; Benning, white, four-room, $10,000; Hillsdale, on Binney site, four-room, $10,000; additional for Congress Heights (Giesboro) $14,000, making $23,000 in all; on line of Connecticut avenue extended, two rooms, $5,000; Conduit road, sixth division A, four rooms, $8,000 appropriation of 1895 to be used.

THE AQUEDUCT TUNNEL.

In addition to these school changes, the District Committee has authorized a bill to sell the Force building and site and and relocate the school. A janitor, who shall be an engineer and machinist, of the manual training school, Central high school, is given $1,200.

The provision for the aqueduct tunnel directs the Secretary of War to resume work on the tunnel and reservoir as authorized by the act of 1882. The work is to be carried on according to the plans of the board of experts reported January 17, 1896. To pay for the work the $266,746.38 balance of the original appropriation is made available and $266,746.38 is added, to be taken from the surplus general revenues of the District. All work is under the charge of the Secretary of War.

The permits for electric lines heretofore issued by the Commissioners are ratified and the Commissioners are authorized to permit the erection of poles for telephone and other purposes outside the city, subject to use for fire and police wires. In any case wires must go in conduits in crossing a street.

The sums for street extension expenses,

Continued on Second Page.

Chew Mint Julep Gum. my7-7t

BURIED IN SOLID STONE

Murderer Holmes' Remains Lie Under a Mass of Cement.

CARED FOR BY MR. ROTAN

His Coffin Weighed a Ton and There Is No Fear from Grave Robbers. Largest Wagon Available Used to Convey the Unique Sarcophagus to the Grave—Precautions Taken.

Philadelphia, May 8.—The body of H. H. Holmes, which was imbedded in cement in a pine box yesterday after the hanging and then placed in a vault in Holy Cross Cemetery, was this afternoon buried in a grave ten feet in depth.

Rev. Father McGale, who was one of Holmes' spiritual advisers, and who remained with him to the last, conducted the services of the Roman Catholic Church at the grave. The attendants were Lawyer Samuel P. Rotan, who defended the murderer; Undertaker O'Rourke, several employes of the Holy Cross Cemetery, and a morbidly curious crowd. The grave—or rather the two graves—is located in the western part of the cemetery where single graves are sold in consecrated ground.

The box with the body imbedded in cement weighs over a ton and it was too ponderous to be covered into an ordinary grave. Hence today Undertaker O'Rourke selected sufficient space in the single grave portion of the cemetery to receive the unusually large coffin. The only vehicle strong enough to hold the box was a wagon used in hauling monuments and this conveyed the body of Holmes from the vault to its last resting place.

A layer of cement two feet thick was placed upon the box. The remains of Holmes were pronounced safe from grave robbers for all time. His tomb will be a solid wall of rock. Mr. Rotan remained to see that the last wishes of his client were carried out.

Mr. Rotan was seen today in relation to the mass of papers that Holmes turned over to him. "I have not yet examined the documents," said he, "but I am certain there is no will among them. Holmes stated on the day previous to his death that he would not prepare a will, but would leave instructions in relation to the disposal of his property.

"He long ago told me how he desired his estate disposed, but he afterwards changed his mind and although his instructions were intended for the drafting of a will, I did not prepare the document for signing, owing to the varying moods of the man. I will not examine the papers for a few days."

KIECKHOEFER ENTERS A PLEA.

Claims That He Accounted for Funds In His Hands.

The plea of Francis J. Kieckhoefer, to the declaration on a bond filed against him by the District Attorney on behalf of the government, was entered yesterday afternoon through A. W. Fergusson, his attorney.

Mr. Kieckhoefer was chief of the bureau of accounts of the State Department. He was accused of failing to properly account for funds in his hands and with his bondsmen, M. A. Tappan, Francis O. St. Clair and Denis F. Healy, was sued for $4,670.32.

The first defendant stated in his plea that he faithfully discharged his duties according to law and that he made proper accountings of everything entrusted in his hands.

His bondsmen entered a similar plea.

Cutter Dexter on a Cruise.

Edgartown, Mass., May 8.—The United States revenue cutter Dexter, Commander Abbey, sailed today, cruising to Nantucket Shoals and New Bedford.

EARTHQUAKE WRECKS A CITY.

Ten Thousand People Homeless by the Ravages of the Shock.

(By Cable to The Times.)
(Copyrighted, 1896, J. G. Bennett.)

New York, May 8.—Panama, Colombia, Via Galveston, Texas, May 8.—Puertoviejo, the capital of the Province of Manabi, with a population of ten thousand, the Herald correspondent in Guayaquil telegraphs, was entirely destroyed by two earthquake shocks last night.

The shocks were succeeded by floods, inundating the city. Many lives are supposed to have been lost.

Will Coin Double Eagles.

Philadelphia, May 8.—The presses at the United States mint, in this city, which have been stamping silver dollars and subsidiary coin for two months, will shortly also begin turning out double eagles. Gold bars to the value of $2,000,000 are now stored in the mint, and all this will be coined prior to the annual shut down, which will take place on June 30 and last for two weeks. The coinage of silver dollars and the subsidiary coin will, however, not be stopped altogether, the order to coin them not having been rescinded.

Tried to Wreck the Delegates.

New Brunswick, N. J., May 8.—An express train due in New York at 10:26 last night, which was filled with delegates returning from the Democratic State convention at Trenton, struck a tie on the track when near Franklin Park and jammed the cowcatcher. It is believed an attempt was made to wreck the train. Peter Morris, colored, has been arrested. Detectives found that a number of bolts had been removed from the track.

Gilbert Is Champion Gunner.

Guttenberg, N. J., May 8.—Fred Gilbert of Spirit Lake, Ia., won the title of champion target shot of America at the initial clay pigeon championship tournament which was concluded here this afternoon. Gilbert broke 266 out of a possible 300 flying targets, defeating E. D. Fulford of Utica, N. Y., and J. A. R. Elliott of Kansas City, who tied for second place with 261 breaks each. Rollo Heikes of Dayton, O., finished fourth with a total of 258 broken.

Fatal Explosion in a Building.

Peoria, Ill., May 8.—The wholesale fruit store of Thomas & Co. was wrecked this morning by the carelessness of an employe of the gas company. Al Thomas, the proprietor of the store, was blown through a window. Thomas Ballentine of the Journal, a man named McNomary and Tillie Ehlen, employes of Thomas, were badly injured.

Dined by the Officers.

Company B, First Battalion, having attained 100 per cent at the inspection and muster, the officers of the company, Capt. Charles M. Shreve, Lieut. Jesse F. Grant and Lieut. Jesse B. K. Lee, showed their appreciation of the efforts of the members by giving a little spread after the drill last night. Appropriate remarks were made by the officers and toasts and songs made the evening pass pleasantly.

The Bermuda Is Safe.

Philadelphia, May 8.—Word was received here this afternoon of the arrival at Prujillo of the steamer Bermuda. She merely touched there and then cleared for Puerto Cortez, Honduras, where she is expected to drop anchor in the course of a day or so.

Small Wheat Crop in Ohio.

Columbus, Ohio May 8.—The May crop bulletin, which was issued by the State board of agricultur etoday, places the condition of the wheat crop in this State even lower than the bulletin for th efirst of April. It is put at only 55 per cent.

Special excursion to St. Elmo and Del Ray Sunday at 2:45 p. m. Read our advertisement top of page 24, Sunday Times.

George J. Meuller, Washington Agent. my7-7t

DENTAL ART DISCUSSED

Union Meeting of Maryland State and Washington Societies.

EXHIBIT OF SKULL SECTIONS

Interesting Papers Read by Men Well Versed in the Art of Dentistry. Meetings to Close Tonight with a Banquet—Nearly 100 Members of the Association Were Present.

There were nearly 100 members present at the opening session of the Maryland State Dental Association and the Washington City Dental Society, which was begun yesterday in the Columbian Dental College building on H street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets northwest.

It was 11 o'clock when Dr. William Donnally, chairman of the joint committee of arrangements, called the assemblage to order and formally turned the meeting over to the presidents of the two organizations represented. Dr. W. M. Hunt, president of the Washington Dental Society, extended a hearty welcome to the visitors, to which President Duntracco made a brief reply, and the business of the session began.

The morning session included essays by Dr. L. Ashley Faught of Philadelphia, on "Some Notes on Gold as a Filling Material;" Dr. William A. Mills of Baltimore, on "Dermoid Cysts vs. Migrated Teeth—a Criticism;" Dr. D. E. Wiber of Washington on "Curetting of Alveolar Cysts," and Dr. R. Finley Hunt, on "The Dental Profession."

In the afternoon the first paper was on "Cysts; their treatment by curetting," by D. E. Wiber of this city. The second paper was by L. C. F. Hugo, also of Washington, on "Approximal work as determining the shape of the interdental space—The important factor involved," and "A plea for the higher scientific education of the individual members of the profession," by William A. Mills of Baltimore.

AN ILLUSTRATED LECTURE.

Last evening's session was also largely attended, several ladies being present to listen to the scientific arguments and essays delivered by the learned men in the art of dentistry. Dr. M. H. Cryer of Philadelphia delivered a very interesting lecture on "Recent studies of the maxillary bones." This lecture was illustrated by the aid of the stereopticon, over forty handsome views being thrown on the canvas. All these views represented original work in the sections of the skull which showed that many things in the ordinary text-books are not right.

Dr. H. C. Thompson, of this city, made a report on "Anatomy, Physiology and Histology." This report was based on an article and a lecture by Dr. Cryer, who has been making examinations on cross sections of the skull.

Dr. Thompson took from the article and lecture the salient points, and spoke of its value and importance, its development of main points not treated by anatomonists, especially in relation to the maxillary sinus, its variation of form and normal and abnormal changes by absorption of the alveolus resulting from extraction of the teeth.

Following Dr. Thompson's report remarks on the Army Medical Museum and Library were made by Dr. D. L. Huntington, deputy surgeon general, U. S. A.

Owing to the lateness of the hour when the report was concluded the discussions were omitted.

PROGRAM FOR TODAY.

There will be sessions of the two societies today, the first at 9:30 this morning and the second at 1:30 this afternoon. The meeting will be closed this evening at 7 o'clock, when the delegates will enjoy a banquet at Freund's. Some interesting papers will be read at the two sessions to be held today.

FATAL SCAFFOLD FALL.

Three Men and a Boy Lost Their Lives in Brooklyn.

Brooklyn, N. Y., May 8.—At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon a call for ambulances to go to Norman avenue and Diamond street, in Green Point, came to police headquarters.

It was learned that three men and one boy had been killed. The men were working on a scaffold and it fell. The boy was walking under the structure.

A. P. A. LEADERS HERE.

Preparing for the Meeting of the Supreme Council.

The Supreme Council of the American Protective Association will go into session at the National Hotel next Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, with about two hundred and fifty delegates in attendance. Already the early ones are arriving, and President Traynor and Secretary Beattie came in on the midnight train last night.

Judge J. H. Jackson, of Fort Worth, Texas; J. H. D. Stevens, chairman of the supreme judiciary board, of St. Louis; Francis C. Campbell, supreme treasurer, of Minneapolis, Minn.; J. W. Palmer, one of the supreme trustees, of Butte, Mont.; H. H. Cullom, of Butte, and John W. Echols, of Atlanta, are among the prominent delegates to the convention who have already arrived.

Tomorrow and Monday the national judiciary board, the executive board and the advisory board will meet and arrange all the preliminary business of the convention. Supreme Past President Henry F. Bowers, the founder of the order; Supreme Secretary of State E. H. Dunbar, of Massachusetts; Supreme Chaplain Rev. J. M. Taulbee, of Kentucky; Supreme Sergeant-at-arms J. H. Woolman, of California; Supreme Guard John King, of Missouri, and Supreme Sentinel W. B. Howard, of Nebraska, are the supreme officers besides those already named, and they are expected today.

It is very probable that Mr. Oscar Nauck, a very active local A. P. A. man, will represent the District in the convention. Representative W. S. Linton, of Michigan, will not be a delegate to the Supreme Council, but he will be greatly in demand during the week.

CAMDEN OFFICIAL IS SHORT.

Grand Jury Called Back to Pass Upon Testimony in the Matter.

Camden, N. J., May 8.—The grand jury for the April term of the Camden courts has been recalled to appear before Supreme Court Justice Garrison at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

While all those concerned decline to throw any light upon the matter, it was learned that the experts who have been at work on the city's books for many months have discovered a shortage in the accounts of a former city official. The reported defalcation and the summoning of the grand jury created a great stir in political circles. George W. Black and Samuel W. Beldon, who compose the investigating commission, which Justice Garrison appointed more than a year ago, said they could make no statement whatever in connection with the affair nor would any of the experts talk.

Largest Lumber Deal on Record.

St. Louis, Mo., May 8.—What is said to be the largest lumber deal ever negotiated was consummated in this city Wednesday. The Chicago Coal and Lumber Company, a concern which has been recently moved here from Atkinson, Kans., bought from the St. Louis Refrigerator and Wooden Gutter Company 100,000,000 feet of yellow pine lumber. The material is being cut at Lumberton, Miss., and will be delivered at the rate of 25,000,000 feet a year. It will require the use of 10,000 freight cars to transport it.

Special excursion to St. Elmo and Del Ray Sunday at 2:45 p. m. Read our advertisement top of page 24, Sunday Times.

Chew Mint Julep Gum. my7-7t

HIS RESIGNATION ASKED

Emergency Hospital Directors Want Dr. Kerr to Step Aside.

INDORSED THE COMMITTEE

Twenty-six Members of the Board Held a Special Meeting—Vote for the Request 19 to 4—Executive Committee Elected—Dr. Kerr Will Fight to the Bitter End.

The board of directors of the Emergency Hospital, at a special meeting yesterday afternoon, passed a resolution that "it was the sense of the board that Dr. Kerr be requested to resign."

There were twenty-six members of the board present. President Boardman, Director Bell and Dr. Kerr did not vote. The resolution was passed by a vote of nineteen to four.

As soon as the vote was announced Dr. Kerr left the meeting and up to a late hour last night he had not indicated to the staff what his action would be on the new situation.

The meeting yesterday was specially called for the election of an executive committee, which election was not had at the recent meeting for reorganization. The executive committee is composed of nine of the directors with the exception of two. Those not on the committee chosen yesterday are Mr. Calderon Carlisle and Mr. Thomas W. Smith, these having heretofore acted in that capacity.

REJECTED BY DR. KERR.

After this matter was disposed of the case of Dr. Kerr came up on the report submitted by the special committee of investigation. The general finding of this committee has already been published in The Times, to the effect that their solution was that Dr. Kerr should resign after the expiration of his term of three years, which ends next April.

This proposition was coupled with one that was evidently distasteful to Dr. Kerr, that he should not stand for re-election when his time was out, and also with the suggestion that he should be governed by the laws of the institution, and that in case of friction he should not appeal to the board, but that the president there of should be the absolute arbiter between him and the attending staff.

When this proposition was submitted to Dr. Kerr he rejected it for obvious reasons.

A member of the attending staff was asked last evening what would be the next development. He said that he did not know.

He was asked if the board desired to exercise any further authority if there were any mode of making its request effective.

He replied that there was a law providing for the expulsion of members of the board by a two-thirds vote. As there are thirty-two members of the board it will require twenty-two members. Nineteen members voted for the request that Dr. Kerr resign, but whether all or any of them would vote for expulsion is another story.

It was also stated by one of Dr. Kerr's friends that it was a question open to construction if the provision of the law affected Dr. Kerr in his capacity as the chief of the surgical staff, even admitting that he is a member of the board of directors.

The case so far has stirred up a good deal of feeling among the friends of all interested.

LEGAL QUESTION INVOLVED.

There appears to be involved in the questions at issue the point as to whether, as Dr. Kerr was elected for a term of years by the board of directors, that contract can be impaired by an act or acts not charged against him as a director of the Emergency Hospital. So far as the public has been informed by the committee, members of which have been asked for the facts, the disagreement appears to be between Dr. Kerr and the attending staff on account of the unanimous opinion of the latter that they cannot get along with the chief of the surgical department.

On the other hand it should be stated that the attending staff agreed to the proposition that Dr. Kerr remain in office until the expiration of his term nearly a year hence.

DR. KERR WILL FIGHT.

Dr. Kerr was seen by a Times reporter at his home on H street shortly before 1 o'clock this morning. When asked if he would make a statement for publication, he said that he had not yet received an official notice of the directors' desire, but would consult with his friends as to the best course to pursue.

"Will you fight the case, doctor?" inquired the reporter.

"Certainly," replied the doctor, very emphatically. "This whole fight has been against me alone. At no time have the directors given sufficient reasons or allowed me to be heard, and I don't propose to resign until they do."

Dr. Kerr was very emphatic in his statements to the reporter and clearly indicated that he would fight the case to the end.

He declined to say anything further, but in the few remarks quoted the public will readily understand the feelings of the doctor and the position he will take in the controversy, which promises to be a very lengthy one.

NAVAL TESTS IN SECRET.

Secretary Herbert Makes a Rule Similar to Great Britain.

Secretary Herbert has concluded that it is against public policy to permit representatives of the press to witness the test of the armored structure representing a model of one of the Iowa's turrets, at the Indian Head Proving Ground today.

Hitherto the results of tests of armor for American war vessels have been freely published, but foreign governments have kept strictly secret their own experiments in this regard, and the Secretary thinks the lack of reciprocity thus manifested is a sufficient reason why the practice in this country should be changed.

CHANGE AT MARE ISLAND.

Rear Admiral Kirkland Succeeds Chief Engineer Kutz.

Orders were issued by the Navy Department yesterday detaching Chief Engineer G. F. Kutz from the Mare Island Navy Yard June 25 and directing his retirement next day. The retirement is at the request of Mr. Kutz under the forty-year service law.

Among the several important changes in the duties of naval officers made by the Navy Department yesterday, Rear Admiral W. H. Kirkland, now on waiting orders, was directed to assume command of the Mare Island Navy Yard, Cal.

The resignation of Ensign W. B. Franklin, U. S. N., has been accepted by the President.

Died for Murder of a Convict.

Birmingham, Ala., May 8.—John Waldrop, colored, was hanged in the jail yard at 11:10 this morning for the murder of Alexander Thornton. Both men were convicts at Coalburg, and during a quarrel Waldrop brained Thornton with a coal shovel. Waldrop said nothing on the scaffold, dying without fear.

Rubber Factory Resumes Work.

Woonsocket, R. I., May 8.—The officials of the Woonsocket Rubber Company today received orders from the United States Rubber Company to start the large boot and shoe factories in this city and Millville, Mass., which have been closed since early in January.

Gold Shipments.

New York, May 8.—Lazard Freres will ship $1,000,000 gold, and Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., $500,000, to Europe on tomorrow's steamers. Lazard Freres have ordered their gold in bars at the assay office.

Special excursion to St. Elmo and Del Ray Sunday at 2:45 p. m. Read our advertisement top of page 24, Sunday Times.

Congress Heights office 631 Pa. ave. nw.

It will pay you to visit the Misfit Clothing Parlors, 407 Seventh street northwest.

NEW EMERGENCY FRIENDS

Twenty-one Graduated by National College of Pharmacy.

A "SWEET GIRL GRADUATE"

Lafayette Square Opera House Filled to Overflowing by Friends of the Institution—Assistant Secretary of War Delivers the Annual Oration. Graceful Addresses by Students.

The graduating class of the National College of Pharmacy, which graced the stage at Lafayette Square Opera House last night, had in its membership a young lady who had successfully passed the examinations and was entitled among the pharmacists of the country. It was a big event among the friends of the college and of the pharmacists of the city generally, which assembled in overflowing numbers to go about to the commencement exercises.

The opera house was lavishly decorated, the stage being set with a rural spring scene, which was increased in suggestiveness by hundreds of potted plants, while the balconies were draped with masses of carnations set in green foliage.

There were twenty-one graduates, eleven of whom were from places outside of the District of Columbia.

The music was furnished by Healey's new Washington military band, which played seven numbers and an encore.

The stage was occupied by President Francis A. Criswell of the college, Rev. Dr. S. M. Newman, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Gen. Doe, assistant Secretary of War, and the following officers, trustees and faculty:

Samuel L. Hilton, Robert C. Easterday, Wyndom H. Bramhall, Walter G. Duckett, George W. Boyd, Lewis Fiemer, Samuel Weggeman, Henry E. Kannewski, Albert A. Read, Giles B. C. Simms, William S. Thompson, Frederick A. Hesse, William F. Hillebrand, Charles B. Campbell.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

The invocation was by Dr. Newman, after which President Criswell spoke a few words of introduction, in which he referred appreciatively to the compliment paid the college by the very large assemblage of citizens. It was an occasion, he said, on which the business of the college would be discussed from the professional, the scientific, rather than from the commercial point of view.

Dr. Criswell announced as the salutatorian, Mr. O. P. Weikenkeiter, who made the audience feel quite at home with his cordial and well expressed greetings. Incidentally, also, he paid tribute to his alma mater, discussed Washington as the proper center of education and culture for the nation, and shorter hours for the men engaged in the business of pharmacy. Mr. Weikenkeiter very gallantly made pleasing reference to the single lady graduate, which was warmly applauded.

The graduates were then handed their diplomas, the young lady being called out first. She was accorded much applause on her own account. After this ceremony, each of the graduates in turn was given a demonstration by their friends in the gathering.

Gen. Doe delivered the annual address. He said among other things that the National College of Pharmacy had done its full share toward putting pharmacy on the high plane it now occupied among the studies of the century. He dwelt humorously with some of the studies of the graduates but with a serious application. He said that he had no doubt that their knowledge could be well applied in an analysis of Potomac water and the "chunks of atmosphere" about the Senate wing of the Capitol.

He made quite a number of appropriate references to the drug business, after which he urged on the students that their life work should not be drugs alone, but the acquirement of general knowledge; that they should, as do all other students, keep up with the times, even with the literature of the newspapers. He also told them that advertising was a prerequisite for success. The concluding part of the address was devoted to showing that pharmacy had, like other sciences or studies, become important by the process of evolution, and that it had a great future, and especially in a city like Washington, where there was so much of facility in libraries and institutions in which the student could pursue his inquiries.

VALEDICTORY BY MR. SUDLER.

The valedictory was by Mr. Oden R. Sudler, who delivered a very feeling address to the president, the faculty, and his fellow members of the class of 1896. Mr. Sudler's address was well conceived, thoughtful and elegant in expression.

Notwithstanding the injunction on the cards, "No flowers," President Criswell, Gen. Doe and the lady graduate were each presented with magnificent tributes of roses.

The following were the graduates:

Hugh M. Adams, Pennsylvania; Alonzo J. Bidelspach, Indiana; Langdon S. Day, Maryland; Victor H. Esch, District of Columbia; Richard Gibson, Virginia; George Latterner, District of Columbia; John T. Murphy, Wisconsin; Harry M. Price, District of Columbia; Charles G. Sanders, Missouri; Oden R. Sudler, District of Columbia; H. P. Baker, District of Columbia; Marion E. Bullock, Kansas; Harry T. Dodge, District of Columbia; W. Calhoun Furr, Virginia; H. L. Gould, District of Columbia; Charles W. Little, Missouri; Arthur L. Orrison, Virginia; Miss Jennie T. Rugg, Massachusetts; Daniel F. Slattery, District of Columbia, and Marcellus R. Woolbridge, District of Columbia, C. Howle Young, District of Columbia.

It Begins This Morning.

One week ago M. Byrenforth & Co., 621 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, began the sale of three (3) carloads of spring and summer clothing at 50 cents on the dollar. The first carload is gone—went like wildfire. Today they begin on the second carload. This clothing represents the entire stock contained in their branch house, 185 Market street, Newark, N. J., and bears their guarantee for absolute perfection in style, fit, and durability. If you haven't bought your spring suit yet get it today—delay invites disappointment.

It will pay you to visit the Misfit Clothing Parlors, 407 Seventh street northwest.

Special excursion to St. Elmo and Del Ray Sunday at 2:45 p. m. Read our advertisement top of page 24, Sunday Times.

The only reliable way an advertiser can tell which of two papers is the greater favorite in the community in which they are published is by the number of copies that each actually sell and deliver to subscribers daily. THE TIMES' bona fide circulation is more than one-third greater than any paper in Washington. THE TIMES is clean and progressive, hence popular. The grass that is permitted to grow in the pathways of its contemporaries finds no soil in the field which it covers. THE TIMES is willing to be judged by the public, and—the public likes THE TIMES. Circulation books open to all.

CALM AFTER CONFESSION

Murderer Ford No Longer Fears Lynching and Sleeps Well.

INQUEST TO BE HELD TODAY

Elsie Kreglo's Slayer Rested Last Night for Probably the First Time Since His Horrible Crime—Demeanor Rapidly Becoming Stolid. Constantly Watched by Officials.

Murderer Ford slept soundly last night and he slept lustily. His snoring disturbed the echoes of the night and annoyed the police at station No. 6.

He sank to rest on the iron slats of his cell couch at half past eight, and was in the embrace of Somnus when the station clock chimed 3 this morning. His sleep was profound. It was the sleep of a man worn and weary by care and toil.

It was perhaps the first rest the murderer has known since he plunged his cruel, fatal knife into the throat of his shrieking victim, Elsie Kreglo. Several times during the long watches of the night he shifted his position from one side to the other. This slight restlessness was one more to the narrowness of the narrow bench on which he slept than to any other cause. None of the sounds of police life in the station awakened him. The heavy tread of men, that rattle of the prisoners' manacles, the tinkle of the telephone bell, the calls of "O. K." and the tooting of the sergeants' whistle fell unheeded on the ears of the doomed murderer.

SIGHS OF FATIGUE.

Now and then a deep sigh came from Ford's cell, but it was a sigh of fatigue rather than of conscience.

The sounds from the people who thronged the avenue in front of the station, could not penetrate the walls of the station prison. Had Ford heard these sounds his sleep would not have been so blissful.

The confession of the murderer of Elsie Kreglo had brought him relief and the assurance of the police authorities that he should not fall into the hands of lynchers brought him repose.

Directly after his confession yesterday afternoon a calm settled upon the man and his ease grew greater when he felt certain that mob vengeance would not be visited upon him.

He talked quietly to the police about the hideous crime, for which, should the law not miscarry or be thwarted, he will die.

He continued his efforts to conceal some of the brutally passionate details of the murder and to urge mitigating circumstances. His reason for this course was that he feared, should he admit the real motive for the murder, he would be either strangled, roasted or dissected by a mob. He has abandoned hope of escape from the gallows, and now that his fear of lynching has been allayed he will probably today tell every detail of the crime.

Policeman Wannell of the Sixth precinct stood in front of the murderer's cell during the first half of the night and was relieved at midnight by a brother officer.

STOOD IN HIS CELL.

For several hours before Ford lay down to sleep he stood at his cell door, grasping the heavy iron bars with his muscular hands. Sometimes he would lean his head against the bars till his hot breath would take the chill off the iron. He would support his weight on one foot, shifting his position frequently. He gave strict attention to every word uttered in the station which he could hear. He heard no words of sympathy or consolation. He talked a great deal to Policeman Wannell, and it is probable that this officer may have received from the lips of the murderer much more a more complete story of the crime than Ford told the authorities yesterday.

Wannell was silent as to the nature of the low-toned conversation which he sustained with Ford for several hours, but will probably have some reeking testimony to offer at the coroner's inquest today.

Ford talked much of his home and family. He seemed to feel sorry for the trouble in which he had involved his wife and father. His sorrow seemed to go more in that direction than toward the Kreglo family, whose home he has desolated. So far as could be learned he has expressed no regret for the wrong he inflicted on the Kreglos. Neither could it be learned that he expressed any direct contrition for the crime he committed on little Elsie. His regret is of the most selfish character. He repents his crime, not because it was a crime, but because its commission, discovery and solution have brought him and his family to grief.

FORGOT HIS TEACHINGS.

As he grew up his interest in these things waned. He drifted further away each year from the teachings which his pious mother had sought to instil into him. He forgot his prayers and the only songs he could recall were a few he had kept in memory because of his casual and not always reverent visits to camp meetings.

There was a story current last night at police station No. 6, which was given credence by the men on duty there, that a minister had been among the early callers on the murderer. It was said that this minister was a white man, but neither his name nor the denomination to which he belonged was known to the police. The story went that the minister had called on the forenoon and had been granted an interview with Ford. The men on duty at the station last night had heard this from the men on duty during the day, but did not know any of the circumstances of the visit.

The Metropolitan police force apprehends no difficulties with the prisoner and fears no danger from the outside. The department though has taken every precaution to preserve their man for the courts which experience and prudence could suggest. Ford's cell is No. 4. There is nothing inside his cell which he might detach and convert into a weapon.

The only chance which he has to destroy himself is to crush his skull against the stone walls, cemented floor or iron door.

IS CLOSELY GUARDED.

To guard against this contingency a policeman stands directly before the barred door and keeps his gaze fastened on the murderer. The key to the cell is convenient and at the first sign of danger the policeman would swing open the cell door and seize the man. Help would be close at hand. In the squad room, which opens into the corridor leading to the cell, sit Detectives Hartigan and Cox. In the front office, through which it is necessary to pass to escape from the cell, sit Desk Sergeant Garner and Assistant Desk Sergeant Oliver.

In front of the station during the first half of the night stood Policemen Creagh and Hayes. At midnight these were relieved by Policemen McNamee and Fitzgerald. At the rear of the station during the first half stood Policemen Shultz and Lynch, and at midnight these were relieved by Policemen Coghill and Whalen. As a matter of course all these men were armed.

On the second floor of the station slept the reserves. Usually but one section—nine men—remain on reserve, but last night three sections were in the station, and Policeman Will Schoenberger remained on duty in the dormitory to set