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WEDNESDAY MORNING.....APRIL 27, 1859.

Suicide in Washington.

The Washington evening papers of Monday contain accounts of the suicide of John B Gilmer, editor of the Charlottesville (Va) Exponent, which has already been noticed by telegraph.—The Star says:

This morning, as the small locomotive, used at the depot of the Washington Branch Railroad for regulating the cars upon the track, was backing into the enclosure, a man was seen to throw himself upon the track, and before it could be prevented, the wheels of the tender passed over him, crushing his breast and arm, and causing death in a few minutes. He was taken into the depot, and upon examination, it was ascertained that the deceased was John B. Gilmer, of Virginia, a son of Secretary Gilmer, of President Tyler's Cabinet, who came to his death by the deplorable accident on the United States steamer Princeton. Coroner Woodward having summoned a jury to investigate the case, they returned a verdict that the said John B Gilmer came to his death by voluntarily throwing himself across the railroad track at the Washington depot, the tender passing over him, killing him almost instantly, on the morning of the 25th of April, at half past 6 o'clock.—The deceased had been several days in Washington, where he is well known, and is a frequent visitor. The body was delivered into possession of R A. Pryor, Esq., an intimate friend of the family, who will have it properly prepared and conveyed to Virginia for interment.

The States gives the evidence at the coroner's inquest, of which the following is an extract:

Mr. Miller said the first he saw of the man was, that he stretched himself out on the track, he (witness) called out to the engineer. The man was two or three feet from the wheels of the tender; did not think he was drunk; he certainly laid down intentionally, and so close that the engineer had not time to stop; did not observe the man before. Witness works on the road; observed about deceased no indications that he had been drinking; had taken no notice of the man before he threw himself down.

Mr. James Wesley testified he saw a man spread himself out on the track, too close to the engine to get him out of the way in time to save him.—Man lay down on his breast; had not observed deceased before; saw nobody with deceased, and no indications about him of his having been under the influence of liquor; is satisfied the man threw himself on the track intentionally.

Mr. Parsons examined. Said that a lady had sent him word when he was standing by the body that she had observed the deceased walking about the cars.

Mr Roger A Pryor was sworn: Knew the deceased; he is a son of the Hon Thomas W Gilmer, ex-Governor of Virginia, and formerly Secretary of the Navy. His father was killed by the explosion of a gun on the Princeton. The deceased was a lawyer and editor, of Charlottesville, Virginia; was about thirty years of age. Saw him twice yesterday; he was sober. Had requested the Messrs Willard to send for me if Mr. Gilmer should be in a condition to need my services; hence they sent me word this morning of his death.

Mr. Gordon. Saw Mr Gilmer yesterday and this morning; did not think him drunk.

Dr. James M. Grimes, examined—Saw Mr. Gilmer after he was dead; had not seen him before; was satisfied that he was dead, from having made an examination of the body; found that death was caused by wounds from cars, &c.; six of the ribs were broken, the lungs were mashed and congested, and the arm next the injured side was broken in several places.

Mr. Pryor took charge of the person of the deceased. His remains will be sent to Virginia, for interment.

Mr. Gilmer was editor of the Charlottesville Exponent, and was a lawyer by profession. He was a gentleman of high character and ability, and his death is deplored by a large circle of friends.

EFFECT OF A THUNDERBOLT.—The Cincinnati Commercial says:

Sunday morning last, during the heavy thunder storm which passed over this and adjacent counties, a large locust tree situated near Carthage bridge was struck by lightning and shivered into a thousand pieces, the limbs scattered around in a circumference of a hundred feet. One of the largest was projected against the house of Mr. William Staddon with such force as to pass through both the weather-boarding and plastering of the second story. The passage of the limb through the building was so sudden and violent that it left the upper portion of the tenement a perfect wreck, and broke all the window glass in the first and second floors. The inmates fortunately were seated in the lower story, and became so frightened at the occurrence that they fled from the house in dismay. The tree was completely shorn and exhibited plainly the main streaks, being on one side burned to a cinder from its summit to its base.

FROM AFRICA.—Advices have been received from the north coast of Africa, to the 17th o March.—U. S. ship Dale had spent a week at Goree—a French fortified island—and exchanged salutes with the frigate Joan of Arc and the fort. Three French steam war vessels were in the harbor. The Dale departed on the 16th of March for Porto Praya—The officers and crew were in tolerable health.—Lieut. E. L Winder is to be transferred to the U. S. ship Vincennes, at Porto Praya, about the 1st of April. The Dale was twenty-four days making the voyage from Monrovia to Goree, only 900 miles, certainly an ocean for steam, and not canvas.—Calms and light winds are the characteristics of African cruising.

A CASE IN LAW.—A curious case has just transpired at Monticello, Mo. Two boys were arrested for stealing a $20 gold piece. The one who did not steal it was put upon trial first, and the other chap was used as a witness, and his innocence was established. The other boy was then placed on trial, when the one just acquitted came forward and swore that he had stolen the money himself.

MORE ELOPEMENTS.—Mrs. Isadore Paulin, formerly of St. Joseph, Mo., a lady about forty, uncomely, pitted by small pox, and indeed to be pitied, has eloped with her husband's clerk, a mere boy of twenty-six, leaving her husband to regret her absence, that of his little girl taken with them, the loss of quite a large sum of money, and the sad want of gratitude manifested by the youth whom Mr. Paulin had treated like an indulgent parent, all unconscious that he was harboring a serpent. What is the matter with the married women?

Ninty nine liberated slaves and over thirty free negroes are about to embark at Baltimore for Liberia. There are also forty slaves of the McDonough estate at New Orleans, who will sail for the African Republic.

It's a great pleasure to be alone, especially when you have your sweetheart with you.

It is said that most of the hair dyes in use are poisonous. It is astonishing how many there are, notwithstanding, who have the courage to "stand the hazard of the dye!"

The most economical time to buy cider is when it is not very clear, for then it will settle for itself.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

THE MANDAMUS.—A very large concourse of persons assembled at the State court house yesterday morning, to hear the opinion of Judge MEREDITH on the motion for a mandamus, commanding the City Council to ascertain and enter upon their journal the election of DANIEL HAGERTY as Superintendent of the Gas Works. The Judge reviewed such sections of the City Charter as referred to elections, and gave his opinion of each. If the fifteenth section were the only one on the subject, it would be quite clear that the Council could do no more than the Conductor, in ascertaining the members elect of their own body, without going behind the returns—but additional power is given them. The 16th section gives the Council the power to prescribe the mode of determining "Contested Elections,"—and the 19th section gives that body the power, under certain contingencies, to refer the election back to the people—thus showing that the Council have entire control over the subject. The Council is but the servant of the people, and cannot part with the rights of a community by neglect or waiver. The fact that no mode of contesting elections was prescribed before the election, does not impair the power of the Council to prescribed the necessary rules afterwards, and the rules lately laid down are in no wise retroactive and therefore not ex post facto. The parties knew that the Council had the power, under the charter, to provide for a contest, and could not, therefore have been taken by surprise. The ordinance providing for the contest is merely remedial, and does not effect the right of any one. Mr. Hagerty has but a prima facie right to the office because of the returns of the Conductors, and until that right is ascertained to be complete,—until it has been ascertained that his right is based on the will of the legal voters, a majority of whom have declared for him, and the Council then refused to permit him to qualify, a mandimus could not issue. The Council were the proper body to ascertain who were elected, and when they have done that, it is their duty to enter the fact upon their journal, and to allow the party receiving the largest number of voters to qualify. He therefore declined to order a mandamus. Judge M. was very clear in his opinion, which he delivered orally, and in noticing which we have merely intended to say, that he refused to grant the mandimus asked for, believing that it was the duty of the City Council to ascertain and enter on their journal who is elected—that they are now in motion to perform that duty—and that they have provided a way for the contest to be carried on.

The Council for Mr. Hagerty, as soon as the opinion of Judge Meredith was delivered, asked for a copy of the record, intending to take the question to the Court of Appeals.

ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—An effort has recently been made, in several of the larger cities of our country, to raise funds for the permanent endowment of the Young Men's Christian Associations. In Boston and Philadelphia, the Associations have been encouraged by liberal contributions; and in the latter city, arrangements are in progress for the erection of a splendid Hall, at a cost of not less than $50,000. The object of these endowments are the relief of the Associations from embarrassements in their benevolent and religious enterprises, and the establishment of libraries for the use of the public. The proceeds of life memberships and donations are appropriated to this permanent fund, and the current expenses are paid out of the annual contributions. An effort will be made to awaken a more decided interest on this subject, among the members of the Young Men's Christian Association of Richmond, and the citizens generally, during the present year.

With this view the Association has invited the Hon Robt C Winthrop, of Boston, to deliver an address, which is designed especially to inaugurate this laudable enterprise. Mr Winthrop has kindly consented to deliver the address for the benefit of the "Endowment Fund," of the Association, on Thursday, the 5th of May next. Those who are acquainted with Mr Winthrop's ability will require no other inducement to insure their attendance, and every friend of the Association will doubtless show his appreciation of the value of an institution which has enlisted the services of one of the most accomplished orators in our country. Mr Winthrop has often been invited to appear before our historical and literary societies, and he has uniformly declined; but now, at the first summons in behalf of the cause of purity, like his great compeer, Everett, in advocating the claims of patriotism, he promptly consents to render his valuable aid.

Our citizens, we trust, will show that Virginia and Massachusetts are ever ready to stand shoulder to shoulder in sustaining the cause of purity and patriotism, the bulwarks of our glorious Union. Mr Winthrop's liberal and conservative views should entitle him to the highest consideration from a Richmond audience.

PRESENTATION OF ARMS.—Yesterday was a grand day for the Richmond Grays, and one that will prove a brilliant spot in their history for all time to come. Pursuant to orders the corpse paraded eighty-one strong, under the command of Capt. Elliott, and after a short march, repaired to the Capitol Square to receive a stand of "Minnie Muskets," from Gov. Wise. The announcement that the presentation would take place, had drawn to the square hundreds of ladies, gentlemen and children, to witness the presentation, the greater proportion of whom gathered about Washington's monument, while scores of others filled the windows of the capitol, and of such private houses as were conveniently situated to furnish a view of the exciting scene.

About half-past 4 o'clock the Grays entered the Square, and after marching, counter marching and firing salutes, formed on the south side of the Monument, where the new muskets had been stacked, and where, immediately between the statues of Henry and Jefferson, the Governor and his staff had taken their positions.

Maj. Wm. Munford, on behalf of the Executive, then presented to Capt. Elliott, for the Grays, the beautiful Minnie muskets before him. Major M. said that this distinction had been conferred on the Grays at the instance of the Adjutant General, as a reward for their gallant bearing as citizen soldiers, whose fine drill, admirable discipline and high character, gave assurance that the State could ever rely upon them to defend her rights and redress her wrongs, should it ever be necessary for the Executive to call upon them. [Maj. M. spoke about ten minutes and complimented the Company highly in his remarks.]

Capt Elliott responded on behalf of the Greys, and appropriately acknowledged the honor conferred upon his command, pledging for them that they would ever do all that could be expected of them to protect and defend the rights and interests of the city and State, and the institutions with which they are surrounded and to which they are warmly attached. [Capt E's remarks were most happily received by those who were fortunate enough to hear.]

After the presentation, the Grays shouldered their new muskets, went through the drill, were reviewed by the Governor, Maj. Munford and Col. August, and then marched to their armory to the stirring music of the Armory Band, doubtless resolved in their own minds to deserve more than ever the honors they had received.

STEALING TOBACCO.—John B. Dobson, charged with recieving a box of tobacco stolen from Wm. Taylor, knowing the same to have been stolen, and Michael O'Riley charged with stealing the tobacco and selling it to Dobson, were arraigned before the Recorder yesterday. The tobacco was stolen on Saturday evening, and on Monday was found concealed under a counter in Dobson's grocery.—O'Riley admitted that he committed the theft and declared that Dobson knew nothing about it, as he sold it to Mr. Dobson for $3. The Recorder after hearing the evidence, remanded the prisoners to answer before the next Grand Jury and fixed the bail for their appearance at $200 each.

UNDERGROUND.—A report is being circulated on Church Hill, that a negro girl, who ran away from her master a few days since, but was soon after captured, told her owner that she had been induced to leave home by a servant man, who promised to send her to the North, and represented himself as the agent of parties at the North engaged in stealing slaves. As the declaration of the girl would be taken against the negro fellow, it is a little strange that he has not been arrested and brought to trial.

THE RUSSIAN WAR is all the rage now, and everybody seems anxious to see the storming and burning of Sevastopol, as portrayed on canvas. Last Monday night Mechanics' Institute Hall was literally packed with a highly intelligent audience, to see the great Panorama now exhibiting there, and from the continuous applause that greeted scene after scene, we think we may safely say that all were highly pleased. Everybody should see this master work of art of its kind.

STRONG ARGUMENT.—Two gentlemen, while before the Recorder yesterday, gave different versions of the contents of a printed card, when by way of backing his opinion, one of them offered a wager of $100 that he was right, which the other readily accepted, and the two were about to draw their eel skins to plank up the stakes, when they were reminded by a by-stander that betting was illegal, and that they were then at the very footstool of Madam Justice.

CRUEL.—Robert Roberts was before the Recorder yesterday and held to bail in $200 for cruel treatment of his wife, who is in very feeble health and has to struggle hard to support her husband and herself. Bad whiskey and too much of it has brought poor Bob to his present degraded condition, and will yet carry him lower if he does not give up its use.

POLITICAL DISCUSSION.—We are requested to say that a political discussion will take place on Thursday night, at Springfield Hall between Wm. A. Cocke, Esq., democrat, and Marmaduke Johnson, Esq., opposition. The voters of Church and Union Hills are invited to be present.

BURNED.—A young lady named Miss Ellen Black, was severely burned yesterday morning by her clothes accidentally taking fire from the stove, while preparing breakfast at her father's residence in the Valley. Her injuries are not considered dangerous.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.—The Masonic order of this city were out in procession yesterday afternoon to escort, to the grave the remains of their late brother John H. Blair. The procession was an imposing one.

THE MAYOR of this city left here yesterday morning to visit Rochester, New York, where the City Council and himself have been invited.

RECORDER STARKE presided at the Mayor's Court yesterday, in the absence of the Mayor, and will continue to do so until Mr. Mayo returns.

BOUND OVER.—John Blake, for assaulting and beating his wife, was held to bail by the Recorder for his future good behavior.

CANADIAN LEGISLATION AND BUSINESS.—The House of Assembly sat for forty hours consecutively, on the Ministerial measure for abolishing the feudal tenure of land in Lower Canada, which is favored by all the Lower Canadian members, but opposed by those of the Upper Province. The question was fiercely debated, and an attempt was made by a member, Mr. McGowan, to kill it, by addressing the Governor General, asking for a dissolution of Parliament, which, however, failed. The scenes which were enacted during the debate must have been rich in the extreme, and resembled those so graphically described in Warren's "Ten Thousand a Year." Here is a specimen:

One man attracted the universal attention by the admirable manner in which he neighed. Another cried "Gee," a third "Whoa;" this lasted throughout Mr. Rymal's speech. The next speaker was greeted with cat calls, and various members began to crow like capital chanticleers, to bark like bull dogs, to whistle and groan. After this display had ceased, one score members stretched themselves to sleep, another moved successively the adjournment of the House and the adjournment of the debate.

The Government was, however, victorious.

SYMPATHY FOR FEMALES OVERDRESSED.—A French philanthropist is writing very affecting appeals to public sympathy in favor of the large class of young women in Paris who are hired, for their beauty only to show off goods upon, in the stores. It was formerly the custom to use a wax figure, or a dummy of some sort, whereon the shawl or dress might be placed to be seen at advantage.—But the beauty of a live figure was found to be so certain an addition to the apparent value of the dress—each lady customer, of course, fancying it would look quite as handsome upon herself—that the venders have universally adopted the expedient. A poor and virtuous girl, who has beauty, is sure of this easy employment; but the taste of dress which it engenders, and the ways taying of these beauties, on their way home at night, by the profligates of the capital, are two combining evils which the writer thinks should be, in some way, obviated by the charitable.

A TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.—The Vicksburg True Southron, of the 5th instant, has the following account of a dreadful tragedy in Mississippi:

Two brothers named William and Robt. Buford, have been residing near Bogue Phaliah, in Washington county, for some time past. The elder, William Buford, had a very pretty wife, with whom the younger brother, Robert, became madly infatuated. A criminal intercourse between the two had been carried on for some time, but growing weary of the restraint imposed by the presence of the injured husband, the younger brother determined to add to his other crime the damning one of fratricide. On Wednesday evening of last week, the outraged brother and husband was murdered, and on the Sunday following, Robert Buford the double murderer, committed suicide by taking strychnine. The misguided wife of the murdered man, with two children, are left the sole memorials of this chapter of horrors.

FIENDISH ATTEMPT ON THE NORFOLK RAILROAD.—We learn that on Saturday night last some wretches in human form, set to work to render the tresles and rails of at least two miles of the Norfolk Railroad, in the county of Isle of Wight, impassable to trains, and a trap for the lives of those in them. Longitudinal wooden ties of the rails were split up, the tresses at some points cut, and left standing as though they had not been touched, and large trees in addition felled at different points, so as to drop upon the track. After completing their work, the telegraph poles were also cut down. Fortunately, the energetic road master discovered the damage in time to repair it before the trains of yesterday went over the road. But for this, we might this morning have to record a terrible catastrophe, with serious destruction of human life.—*Petersburg Express.*

PEACE WITH PARAGUAY appears to delight both that and the Uraguayan government. Pesident Lopez's official organ, compliments Commissioner Bowlin for his good sense and impartiality, and Urquiza's organ says:

"The great nation whose institutions we imitate is not a power which alarms us, by a display of the arrogance of the powerful towards the weak. It magnanimously opens its arms to its youthful sisterhood at the South, and presents them the influence of an elevated policy. Let me thus early in your presence, as the first Argentines whom I can address, pay the homage of love and gratitude for the beautiful example of magnanimous policy, at once conciliatory and fraternal, which that Government has offered, and for the flattering consideration of which I have been the object, at the hands of the worthy representative in Paraguay."

SENTENCED TO DEATH.—Prosper Ferrand, a cotton spinner in Yarn, France, has been sentenced to death for killing his wife and her paramour, who he found sleeping together, by stabbing both with a knife. It was shown on the trial that Ferrand had been too often before cognizant of his wife's infidelity, to make this occasion one for murder.—This case shows that, according to the criminal law of France, the antecedents of the husband who kills the seducer of his wife have much weight in determining the character of his offence, and the measure of his penalty.

EMINENT BABIES.—There are at present three distinguished infants in Europe—the Anglo-Prussian baby, offspring of Victoria Adelaide Mary Louisa, Princess Royal of England, and Frederick William, grandson of the King of Prussia; the Spanish baby, offspring of Her Majesty of Spain and presumptively, of her husband, whilom Duke of Cadiz; and the French baby, presented some three years ago by the pretty and flirtatious Empress Eugenie of her spouse Napoleon III.

CONSPIRACY TO MURDER.—The people of Raleigh, N.C, have been considerably excited by the discovery of a conspiracy to assassinate the Mayor of the city, which only failed from lack of courage in one of the conspirators. The guilty parties have been bound over to answer the charge.

FRUIT IN THE WEST.—The late cold weather has destroyed all hope of peaches and some of the other earlier fruits in the West. The Louisville Courier, of the 7th instant says:—After Tuesday night's freeze, if we have any fruit left, it is more than we dare hope for.

MORE OF BONNER.—The New York papers publish a letter from Chas. Dickens to Bonner, accepting an offer to write a tale for the Ledger.

There were 81 deaths in Baltimore last week.

Mr. Stephen Massett was at Galveston, Texas, at the last accounts.

Among the passengers for Europe, by the Vanderbilt, last week were W. H. Ray, of Va., and H. Poindexter, of Richmond.

The printers of Paris have formed themselves into a Thespian Society; the receipts are for the benefit of the widows and orphans of men of the Black Art.

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fe 16—3m

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ap 22—dewtu

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The above medicines to be had at all Drug Stores in Richmond, Norfolk, Petersburg and all towns in Virginia. oc 15—6m

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Having adopted the Galvanic Process of extracting teeth, for some time past, can offer to his patients the full advantages of this valuable discovery. Teeth inserted in any manner now successfully used. ap 19—1m*

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