

**PRESIDENT NEEDHAM
SUCCEEDS BOYNTON**

Appointed to Vacancy on Board of Education.

COMMISSIONER FOR FULL TERM

What Distinguished Lawyer Has Accomplished in the Cause of Education—Macfarland Gratified.

Charles Willis Needham, president of George Washington University, will succeed the late Gen. Henry Van Ness Boynton as a member of the Board of Education of the District.

Dr. Needham accepted the appointment offered him by Commissioner Henry B. F. Macfarland yesterday afternoon. The Commissioner at once made the announcement.

In addition to serving for the unexpired term of the late H. V. Boynton, ending June 30, 1905, Dr. Needham is appointed for the full term, beginning July 1, 1905. Commissioners West and Bidie immediately approved the appointment as soon as informed of the acceptance.

Macfarland's Eulogy.

Commissioner Macfarland made the following statement to a Times reporter concerning the appointment:

"I think the District is to be congratulated upon securing the services of so eminent a man of affairs and executive educator for the board of education.

"Before anyone was suggested for this place I sought President Needham, knowing his personal interest in public school education, and in all the highest interests of the District, and finally obtained his consent to present his name to the Commissioners.

"His sense of public duty, shown on so many occasions here, is so strong that he could not refuse, especially when the invitation was to a field in which he has already done so much, and which has a peculiar attraction for him.

"His appointment will add a new element to the board that will be of special value to it."

The Columbian University and its successor, the George Washington University, have had close relations for many years with the public school system of the District. Scholarships in the university are open to high school graduates.

Career of Distinguished Educator.

Charles Willis Needham, LL. D., was born at Castle, Wyoming county, N. Y., September 20, 1848.

His father, Charles Rollin Needham, was the son of Calvin Needham, who served in the war of 1812, and the grandson of Joseph Needham, a soldier of the revolution, who was known as "Deacon Joseph, the Fighter."

His mother was the daughter of the Rev. James Reed, a prominent minister of the Baptist Church.

Dr. Needham's education was in the public schools of his native town, and with tutors, until he entered the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1869, when he was admitted to the bar of New York State. In 1872 he removed to Illinois, and ultimately took up his residence in Chicago, where he rapidly came to the front rank at the bar and made large success.

In 1890 he was advised to go to a milder climate, and settled in Washington, D. C. Here he continued his practice before the Supreme Court of the United States, and added to his professional reputation.

As a member of the Washington Board of Trade and in other ways he has had his share in many important public undertakings. But his special interest has always been in education, and particularly in the public schools and collegiate institutions.

Connection With Columbian.

His interest in education led to his election in 1893 as a trustee of the Columbian University, and this made him an educator later on, although he continued actively engaged in the practice of law until he became president of Columbian University in June, 1902.

His success led to his selection as president of the university. Under his leadership the university has been transformed into a modern, progressive, un denominational institution, with a new spirit in the faculties, alumni, undergraduates, and trustees; a new name, the George Washington University; with a new support, the George Washington Memorial Association; a new site, the Van Ness Park, surrounded by public parks, and a new outlook for larger success.

The Biggest Sign in New York Is at Twenty-third Street and Fourth Ave.

Does anybody know the size of the biggest sign in New York? It's at the corner of Twenty-third street and Fourth avenue and is 175 feet long. It is the sign of the J. Walter Thompson Advertising Agency.

On inquiry, it turned out that the size of the sign was practically an accident. Moving from the old Times building to new offices at the corner of Twenty-third street and Fourth avenue, an order was given for a sign. "How big a sign do you want?" "The biggest sign in New York," he was told. "You'll have the biggest sign in New York," he replied; "a sign 175 feet long."

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It has taken forty years of steady growth for the business of the J. Walter Thompson Company to reach its present prestige and prominence, when it counts over 800 active customers as its clients, and among many whose names are known to every reader in the land—the representative advertisers of the country.

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**SUCCEEDS GEN. H. V. BOYNTON
ON THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**



DR. CHARLES W. NEEDHAM.
Prominent Educator and President of George Washington University. Has Accepted Appointment to Fill Vacancy.

**WOMEN AGENTS TRIED
AT RAILWAY STATIONS**

Found to Be More Efficient Than Men—Have Many Suggestions to Make to Improve Service—Score a Big Success.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 10.—The Lake Erie and Western railroad is making some significant changes of station agents, and it is predicted that the day is not distant when all the smaller stations will be in charge of women. Four stations are now in charge of women, and it is said that their work is very satisfactory.

The first woman station agent was appointed at Summit something more than a year ago, and it was her work that first suggested to the company's officials the policy of appointing women as station agents. Her monthly reports were models of neatness and exactness, and she had hardly entered upon her duties when she made some valuable suggestions as to how to make the road popular with the people along the line.

But it was not till the general officers made a trip of inspection over the line that the full results of her administration became known. The station at Summit was found to be the best kept in Indiana.

A little inquiry resulted in the information that the station had ceased to be a lounging place; that there had been no rowdiness since Miss Catharine Dicks had taken charge; that the doors and benches were always clean and that the station had become an orderly and well kept as any private house in the town.

Prior to that time trips of inspection had consisted of a scurrying along the line with stops only at the large cities, and it was at the suggestion of one of the Indiana officials that the general officers stopped at Summit. Miss Dicks was not expecting them and had not made preparations to receive them, but the station floors were free from stains, the stove glistened with new polish, not a particle of dust was on the benches, and the private office of the agent was homelike and inviting.

The other women agents have been appointed since then, and the officials have found that the good results of the change have been the same in every case. They have also learned that the women have greater tact in handling



Women Station Agents Prove More Efficient Than the Sterner Sex.

people than their male predecessors displayed and fewer complaints have come from their stations.

It is also said that passenger traffic has greatly increased from these four points, and especially during the summer season when excursion trains are run, the women taking more pains and showing more energy in working up crowds than did the men.

The salary of the women station agents is from \$40 to \$50 a month. Miss Dicks is now learning telegraphy, and will soon get an increase in salary as a telegraph operator.

**SUPPOSED SEA SERPENT
ONLY BODY OF A WHALE**

Natural Scientist Finally Identifies Skeleton Cast Ashore at Ocean Park, Maine.

OLD ORCHARD, Me., June 10.—Portions of the carcass and skeleton of a whale were what drifted in on the sand at Ocean Park on Thursday and not the far-famed sea serpent that has been seen off and on for years.

It was not until the arrival of A. H. Norton, one of Portland's best informed natural scientists, keeper of the museum of Portland Society of Natural History, late yesterday, that the mammoth pile was identified. Most of the flesh had been carried off and the bones could be readily examined.

After a thorough examination Mr. Norton said he was able to positively identify it as a whale of the Balaenidae, or whalebone family.

**BLOW THEMSELVES
INTO THE NEXT WORLD**

PHILADELPHIA, June 10.—Rockhill, a small hamlet near Garrettsford, Delaware county, had the greatest excitement in its existence early this morning.

Burglars used dynamite to blow open a small safe. They used enough to reouse the people in three counties.

Two burglars are said to be buried under the debris of the postoffice building, which was blown asunder by the explosive. Two others of the gang are said to have escaped with about \$50 in cash and postage stamps.

**TWO BIG SKYSCRAPERS
FOR NEW YORK CITY**

W. W. Astor to Put Up Hotel Covering a Block—\$15,000,000 Hotel on Plaza Site.

NEW YORK, June 10.—Two more big hotels will soon rear their skyscraping heights above the already towering buildings of New York.

One will be a family hotel, covering the entire block between Seventy-eighth and Seventy-ninth streets, and Broadway and West End avenue. William Waldorf Astor, the owner, has approved of the plans for this structure.

The other will be a \$15,000,000 hotel, with 1,000 rooms, on the site of the plaza at Fifty-ninth street.

**NOT AN OATH HEARD
AT THIS BALL GAME**

POUGHKEEPSIE, June 10.—When the regular umpire of the Hudson River League failed to appear on the diamond to umpire the Poughkeepsie-Paterson game, Manager McCabe asked the Rev. Charles E. Kahn, pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, to act as umpire.

The minister, who was a college player before he was ordained, left the grandstand and presided over the entire game.

The members of both teams passed the word about that there was a "dominie" in the umpire's box. The result was an utter absence of profanity.

**TO RIDE ON TRANSFERS
UNTIL COURT DECIDES**

Justice Anderson, of the Supreme Court, will, on Tuesday, hear final arguments in the case of various citizens' associations against the City and Suburban Railway in the fight for transfers.

It will be remembered that the City and Suburban Railway served notice on the people of Washington, through placards in all Washington Railway

and Electric Company cars, that, after June 1, no further transfers would be accepted from any line in the city. A day or so before the order went into effect, Justice Anderson handed down a decree staying the execution of the order until June 10.

Yesterday Justice Anderson handed down another decree, calling upon the City and Suburban Railway Company to show cause why transfers should not be accepted by them. Next Tuesday, June 13, is the day set for the hearing, when the entire question will be gone over before the court.

The decree of Justice Anderson will remain in effect until he makes a final disposition of the case. He may not make an immediate decision, and

whether it is favorable to the citizens or not, they will be entitled to ride on transfers until the decree is revoked.

Practically all the citizens' associations in the District of Columbia and along the Maryland line are combined in the fight upon the City and Suburban Company. The present suit was brought by the presidents of the North Capitol and Eckington Associations, the Brookland Citizens' Association, and the associations of East Washington, Langdon, North Washington, and the mayor of Hyattsville.

Attorney A. R. Serven, who represents the plaintiffs, seems to be well satisfied with the situation. According to Mr. Serven, the present agitation over transfers, no matter how Justice

Anderson decides it, will materially aid in the fight for universal transfers.

It has had the effect of uniting in one crusade all citizens of Washington. If the decision of the court is against transfers, the inevitable result will be a much more bitter fight for universal transfers in Congress at the next session.

Through Observation Parlor-Sleeping Cars between Washington and Luray, Va., via Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, Commencing Sunday, June 12, a through Pullman observation parlor and sleeping car will leave Washington daily for Luray, Va., via N. & W. R. R. Train leaves station, New Jersey avenue and C street, 4:05 p. m.

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Massive Quartered Oak Sideboard, prettily carved, large French plate glass, lined silver drawer, highly polished and good construction. A \$40 value. Special—**\$29.95**

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Extension Tables

Solid Oak Table, six feet long, five heavy turned legs, strong and well finished. Regularly \$5. Special price, \$3.45

This highly polished quarter-sawn Oak Table, six feet long, five massive legs, with claw feet, highly polished and well made. A \$15 Table for **\$11.45**

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40 yds. China Matting. **\$8.99**
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This handsome Quartered Oak Bedroom Suite, extra large mirror, full swell front, dresser and washstand, prettily carved, handsomely finished, and fine construction. Worth \$60.00. Special, **\$43.50**

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