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WEST VIRGINIANS AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

A Delegation of Leading Democrats Headed by the U. S. Senator, Advancing McGraw's Appointment and Seeking a Consensus for Prof. John M. Birch.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—A delegation of very prominent West Virginia Democrats made its appearance here yesterday. It is headed by Senators Kenna and Camden. They appear in reference to the case of John McGraw, of Granton, nominated as Collector of Internal Revenue for the District, but whose nomination was hung up in the Senate.

Besides the Senators, the party consists of ex-Senator Henry G. Davis, Mr. Tansy, of the Raleigh, D. C., Mr. W. L. Wilson, John M. Birch, B. J. Butcher, Capt. Charles Wells, of Glorietta; Julian Fleming, the Morgantown editor; G. A. Dunnington, of Granton; Hon. W. M. Gray, of Jefferson; Hon. W. L. Wilson, John M. Birch, B. J. Butcher, Capt. Charles Wells, of Glorietta; Julian Fleming, the Morgantown editor; G. A. Dunnington, of Granton; Hon. W. M. Gray, of Jefferson; John Bassett, of Clarksville; Hon. W. F. Dyer, of Grant county; O. S. McKinney, of Fairmont; Major McQuinn, of Wetzel county, and one or two more.

They were called to the White House yesterday, but failed to see the President. They have arranged to call upon him again to-morrow. They saw Secretary Manning last, and had a long talk over West Virginia matters, particularly the case of McGraw, and McGraw's appointment. Afterwards they called on Secretary Bayard and Assistant Secretary Foster.

All were well pleased with their reception by the Secretaries. It is understood that they all agree on Selmon, of Mass. county, for Marshall.

The Catholic College. To be Located at Washington—Reasons for the Decision. WASHINGTON, May 10.—The Council of Catholic Bishops who met in Baltimore last week for the purpose of selecting a place for the Catholic University decided that it should be built in this city, although the Catholics of other cities offered very large monetary judgements towards securing the University.

Presidential Appointments. WASHINGTON, May 9.—The President at a late hour this afternoon made the following appointments: Wm. A. Seo, of Louisiana, to be Minister Resident and Consul General of the United States to Bolivia; To be Consul General of the United States: Ephraim B. Ewing, of Missouri, at the City of Mexico; H. Clay Armstrong, of Alabama, at Rio de Janeiro.

General Appointments. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—Hon. S. S. Cox has not yet announced his determination with regard to the Turkish mission. He has received a telegram from a committee of his constituents informing him that they would come to see him and to see the President upon the subject, and he feels that courtesy to them prevents his announcing his conclusion in the matter until after their arrival.

A FIGHT WITH THE REBELS. By Middleton's Bay—The Canadians Have to Retire. WINNIPEG, May 10.—The following has been received: BATTLES CROSSING VIA CLARK'S CROSSING, May 9.—We left camp at 4 o'clock this morning, leaving all supplies and tents behind. We marched seven miles without seeing or hearing anything of the enemy. The morning was bright and warm. Suddenly came the sound of a steamer's whistle blowing continuously. We drew near we heard the sound of heavy firing on our front in the direction of the river. Our line of march was as follows: First Boulton's scouts, followed by a battery of Canadian artillery, then the main body of the army.

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THE NATIONAL SPORT.

BASE BALL NEWS AND GOSSIP.

About Players—An Analysis of the Standing of the Several Clubs—The Closeness of the Fight for the Championship—Notes of the Diamond.

The League race to-day is in finer shape than in any previous year at the corresponding time. Buffalo alone says hopelessly in the rear, but the probabilities point to Detroit, keeping close company with the Boston.

Philadelphia is doing very fine work, and is looming up much more strongly than was expected. St. Louis was pulverized pretty badly by Chicago, but the team had both of its pitchers out of order and other members badly used up.

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NOTES AND NOTIONS.

Views of a Boying Writer at the Permanent Seat.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 7.—This growing city is assuming metropolitan airs, and some day when the present generation I might say about the year A. D. 2,000, if any of us should live to see January 1st of that year, we can, in all probability say "truly this is a great city," but as it now stands with its miserable streets unadorned with the friendly gas light I am very much of the opinion that the populace is just about in the condition that Moses was on a certain occasion when he heard the down speak of. There is no doubt that the place is growing, and it grows it is from the investment of industrial wealth. Rents are high and ground per foot is out of all reason to those who are not possessed of large wealth.

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STATE OF TRADE.

NO IMPROVEMENT IN BUSINESS.

Noted at the Commercial Centers of the Country—Breadstuffs and Provisions. No Gain in the Iron Market—The Condition of the Wool Trade.

New York, May 9.—The movement of general merchandise during the past week has been less than during the preceding seven days, as reported to Bradstreet's by special telegrams. The dissolution of the eastbound pool and the freight rate war in the Northwest have failed thus far to stimulate the distribution of goods.

The fur trade is in a somewhat better position than it was a few weeks ago. The market has been quiet, but business continues to be larger than a year ago and the sales since January foot up nearly 14,000,000 pounds more than the corresponding time last year, or an average increase per week of over 700,000 pounds.

On the New York all notion of war between Russia and Great Britain has disappeared, and any strength in wheat must be derived from crop reports. The bull party at present is in the ascendant. They outline the situation as pointing to at least \$1.25 per bushel for wheat.

Greasy staples move unsatisfactorily. Coffee is lower and weak. Dairy products are in buyers' favor and dull. There were 197 failures in the United States during the past week, as compared with 167 in the preceding week, and with 132, 144 and 118 respectively in the corresponding weeks of 1884, 1883 and 1882.

There has been no gain in pig-iron and no sales of importance are noted. There has been some pressure to sell Southern iron. Receipts of Scotch pig iron are somewhat heavier, but prices are no different. Bar iron is dull and unchanged. Steel rails are dull and unchanged.

Walter Brown, colored, of Greenbrier county, has been sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for burglary. Robert J. Burdette has been invited to deliver the annual address before the literary society of State University.

The United States Circuit Court will convene at Parkersburg next Thursday. Today the grand jury of the District Court at Charleston on Tuesday in order to go to Parkersburg and sit with Chief Justice Walte.

A few days since in the upper part of Wayne county Larkin Maynard was shot in the head by John Workman. There is little doubt that the wound will prove fatal. Maynard had been slandering the wife of Workman, who is a woman of good character and reputation, and Workman being very much provoked, went to where Maynard was and shot him. Workman is supposed to have left the county to avoid arrest.

Abraham Criles, of Braxton county, well known throughout the State as the "Braxton Skeleton," died at his home last Saturday morning. Mr. Criles was afflicted with a disease which baffled all medical skill, having declined to nothing but skin and bone. His thigh could easily be spanned, while his backbone could be distinctly felt by passing your hand over the opposite portion of his body. He was a man a little above the average height and it is said would not have weighed more than forty pounds at his death. He was about fifty years old, and commenced wasting away about five years ago. He was able to walk about until within a few days of his death.

The Summers county Grand Jury has returned three indictments against J. Speed Thompson, charged with the murder of Elbert Fowler, one for murder in the first degree, one for manslaughter and one for carrying deadly weapons. Mr. Thompson was arraigned on the first indictment and pled in the sum of \$25,000 for his appearance. The prosecution is represented by Attorney General Blair, of Virginia, and Prosecuting Attorney Miller. The defense is understood, will secure a postponement of the case until their chief counsel, Judge James H. Ferguson, being unavoidably absent. Thompson's other attorneys are Hon. R. F. Dennis, Gen. C. O. Davis, Senator Kenna and Col. James W. Watts.

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The President allowed a level head in the Blackburn affair. WASHINGTON certainly demonstrated last week that she has not forfeited her right to be written down as "a good show town."

FRANCE is said to be sick of wars for conquest and has about come to the conclusion to stay at home and mind her own business. There is a very imposing delegation of West Virginia Democrats which is visiting Washington, and expects to call upon President Cleveland to-day.

"It is an ill wind that blows nobody good." This flat failure of a spring is hard on the fruit and crops, but it is a godsend to the theatres and skating rinks.

Our friend Prof. Birch wants to go to the Flower Kingdom he would like to be allowed to go. But we question if he can do as much good in far off Nagasaki as right here in Wheeling. The public schools of Wheeling enter a protest.

PORTER SMITH seems to be aroused at last. If he did not take an active part in Saturday night's move against the gambler, he at least allowed it to be made, and that is something. It was a good move, and the Chief should follow it up with more good moves. Every gambling den in Wheeling should be served alike—promptly and repeatedly raided. The gamblers must go.

MRS. TWAIN and George W. Cable, who entered into a partnership-lecturing tour, here, it is said, quarreled over a division of the spoils. The expenses of the tour were to be taken out of the proceeds before the money was divided. Cable it is claimed had some notions about what constituted expenses. Campaign was not too rich for his blood, and blacking his own shoes was a thing he never dreamed of doing. The bills rendered by Cable are greater curiosities of literature than his best Creole dialect.

The President has turned the Kentucky delegation into a regular hornet's nest by rejecting the appointment of James Blackburn as Collector as Internal Revenue. This action was taken in spite of the emphatic protests of Senator Blackburn. The cause of the President's change of mind was based on the following letter, said to have been written by Blackburn to his wife from Virginia, in 1861:

"I have left you and our children in the hand of the despot, but God grant that I may soon be able to make the Union men of Kentucky feel the edge of my knife. From this day I feel every Union traitor to be my enemy, and from this day I scorn to receive quarter, and to whom I will never grant any soil in death; for they are cowards and villains enough. Brother Henry and I arrived here without hindrance. I had my child all the way, but I hope to kill forty Yankees for every child that I ever had. I learn that Hardee is still in the Arkansas lines, inactive, and if this proves true I will tender my resignation and go immediately to Kentucky. I hope I will do my duty as a rebel and a free man. Since I know the Union men of Kentucky, I intend to begin the work of murder in earnest, and I'll spare none of them who may help me in my portion. I want to see Union blood now deep enough for my horse to swim in."

Cleveland didn't stop here in his good work, but cut short the official career of the navy Meier, of Colorado, who was recently appointed to a consularship. Meier was foolish enough to rant around in Washington and make a display of his claims to being a rebel. His assault on Commodore Truxton, for which he was arrested and lodged in the station house over night, was the last straw, and Cleveland decided to have none of him.

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HE GAINS A BLOCK.

GENERAL GRANT TAKES A WALK.

And Adds Another Square to His Beat—His Condition Somewhat Improved but the New Cancerous Spots Remain Unchanged. Dr. Barker Spots for Europe.

New York, May 10.—General Grant slept fully seven hours Saturday night, and when the four doctors of the staff met in consultation this afternoon they found the General's condition was, if anything, improved, but the cancerous spots were unchanged. Dr. Barker sails for Europe this week and this was his last consultation before going. When about to leave he bid the General good bye and said, "When I come back in the autumn I shall expect to find your literary work finished to your satisfaction."

"You don't expect to find me though, do you?" said the General. "I shall hope so, any how," responded Dr. Barker, as he went away. Dr. Shady said the two new cancer spots had not perceptibly increased since Wednesday. The General at the window waved adieu to Dr. Douglas as he drove away with his family.

Roscoe Conkling and Cyrus W. Field called during the afternoon. At 5 o'clock this afternoon while through were strolling on the avenue, General Grant, attended only by Harrison, left his house and walked toward Madison avenue. His pace was more brisk than during any previous walk. As the General's cane near his middle, reached the corner and walked half the block, up-townward he turned by his right. The General felt the added strain of the slight ascent between Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets he again brought the cane into use. "You seem to have little use for the cane," suggested a gentleman who joined in and walked with the General. "I'll use that until I am well," responded the General half smiling.

"And now you've gained another block on your walking distance," said the gentleman, as the General turned back at Sixty-seventh street. "I think I'll do me good, I haven't walked in so long now," was the response, and the invalid added: "I will add a block at a time this way as I get stronger and then I'll walk twice a day, morning and afternoon, beside riding at midday. Why do I drive just at noon? The doctors advised it. They say there is less malaria in the air at that hour of the day. No, I feel no more fatigued, as I can see than after my walk to Madison avenue," concluded the General as he reached the steps of his house. He mentioned the steps with as little evidence of weariness as on previous occasions of exercise.

Burglars Cut Off a Girl's Hair. OSWEGO, N. Y., May 10.—Early Saturday night two masked men entered the house of F. O. Thrall, in this city, during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Thrall at church. A daughter aged 18 years had just put a younger sister to bed and sat at the piano playing when the two men appeared in the room. One of them with a drawn knife seized her and under penalty of death commanded silence, but said she would not be harmed if she made no outcry. He then cut her hair and cut her clothing, saying he would be revenged on her father. They took some silver ware and left the house without doing further harm.

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