

NEWS OF THE DAY

To show the very age and body of the Times

A German named Pabuke was shot in Philadelphia yesterday, by a man named Snyder. The two men had formerly been partners in a small shop for repairing sewing machines.

The Secretary of the Treasury has caused to be sent to each division of his Department an order requiring every clerk to write down the name of any relative employed in any of the departments, giving the department to which so employed.

A severe fight, near Jacksboro', Texas, on Friday last, between the Mounted Rangers and a body of the Tenth United States Cavalry, and the Indians, is reported from Fort North.

Two men yesterday entered the First National Bank at Batavia, Genesee county, New York. While one engaged the attention of the only person present connected with the bank, the other ran away with the box containing money and bonds amounting to \$10,000.

An Ottawa dispatch says that the Secretary for the Colonies has agreed to act as arbitrator between British Columbia and the Dominion for settlement of the disagreement respecting the terms of union, provided both Governments agree to accept his decision as final.

H. C. Chantness and Barney Deaton were arrested on Wednesday night at Quebec for robbing an Ottawa lumberman. A letter found in possession of the prisoners revealed the existence of a well organized gang of thieves operating in the United States and Canada.

Dolnes and Lisburger, extensive copper dealers of Cliff street, New York, failed yesterday. The liabilities are unknown. The firm say they are unable at present to give any approximation of the assets and liabilities.

Mr. C. Jublin Danfelt, of Stockholm, Sweden, has been sent to this country by his Government to make arrangements to secure the necessary space for exhibitors from Sweden, in the Centennial exhibition.

A general strike of the operatives in the great flax mills at Belfast, Ireland, is in progress. There was a procession last night, which became so threatening that four hundred additional policemen were sworn in.

The Republican State Committee of New York, met yesterday at Fifth Avenue Hotel, and it is decided to hold the State Convention at Utica on the 23d of September.

A man named Vannetta, charged with forging United States bonds in California, was yesterday surrendered at Trenton, N. J., into the custody of the Marshal of California.

Billy Edwards, who is to fight Samuel Collier on the 11th of August for the light weight championship of America, is in training in Buffalo, by his brother, Warwick Edwards.

Secretary Fish left Washington yesterday morning for his home in New York.

THE BEECHER-TILTON SCANDAL. New York, July 30.—The Brooklyn Union says, a reporter who is intimate with Beecher, called at his residence on the Heights. In a conversation of a confidential character Mr. Beecher intimated that his friends might rely on his discretion and truth. It was enough that he had declared Tilton's charges false for the present.

On Wednesday evening a strolling band of gypsies overhauled near Harrisburg, Pa., under the belief that a boy with them answered the description of Charlie Ross, the abducted Philadelphia child. Considerable excitement was occasioned by the arrests and the reports which prevailed. An uncle of the abducted child was sent on a special train from Philadelphia, but the boy found in possession of the gypsies proved not to be the missing one; and so the mystery continues.

Professor Swift says that a new comet was discovered at Marseilles, France, on Sunday morning last, in the constellation Draco. It is quite large and bright for a telescope comet, and has a strong central condensation, but as far as could be judged by the observation, both in solar and lunar twilight, it has no nebula or tail. It is in the fourth coil of Draco, and moves at the rate of about one degree a day.

The Staunton Virginia reports the corn crop in Augusta county, owing to the recent drought, as rather unpromising. Some portions however, especially on and near the larger water courses of the county are fine. The wheat turn out has not been as good, generally as was anticipated. Oats are rather short.

Dr. A. M. Fauntleroy, formerly of Winchester, and son of Gen. T. T. Fauntleroy, is, we see, highly spoken of as the successor of Dr. Stribling at the Western Asylum at Staunton.

FOREIGN NEWS. Yesterday's edition of the Opinions, at Rome asserts that negotiations are in progress which have in view the sending by the maritime powers of squadrons to the Spanish coast, after the example of Germany. It is understood that this step, if taken is not to involve the question of intervention.

The Carlists claim a great victory over the Republicans in the battle of Figueras, near the frontier. The losses were heavy on both sides. The Carlists deny the truth of the reports charging them with atrocities at Launeca and other places.

A Brussels telegram says that it is understood that a majority of delegates to the International Congress favor the exclusion of all points relating to naval warfare, and strict adherence to matters strictly connected with the amelioration of human suffering in time of war.

It is stated in London that Italy has made a demand upon France for a recall of the war ship Orenoque, which has been permanently stationed at Civita Vecchia as a refuge for the Pope in case of necessity.

In the French Assembly yesterday the committee to which a motion for a recess was referred, reported favorably thereon, and recommended that the recess begin on the 6th of August and continue to the 30th of November. The motion will be debated to-day.

It is reported that the French Government has informed the Spanish Government that France will act in conjunction with the Northern Powers in recognition of the Spanish Republic.

Letter from Atlanta Ga. (Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) ATLANTA, Ga., July 28.—J. Marion Hart is here, and you will know when one Alexandria meets another away from home they always have a pleasant time.

I regret exceedingly to have to announce the fact that Mr. Thomas, whom you all know so well, has been, and is now, extremely ill. A few days ago his life was despaired of. I learn to-day that he is somewhat better.

Jim Thomas, who resides here, and who only weighs 271 pounds, is in good health. Last Sunday friend Hart and myself took a stroll over the beautiful city, and I must say for magnificent residences it is hard to beat. The houses are nearly all surrounded by beautiful flower gardens.

One fault with the brick buildings is that the clay is not suitable for making a clear red brick. As for press brick, I don't think I have seen one in the place. Many of the houses here are one story only, and very few old houses can be seen.

Before the war the population was 12,000, now it exceeds 30,000. The capitol building and Governor's mansion, although very fine, are not in keeping with the other buildings, many of the private residences surpassing them in every respect. The garden surrounding the mansion is not as large as it should be. There are no grounds surrounding the capitol building; the lower portion (ground floors) is used for stores and the postoffice. Washington street is the one on which most of the handsome residences are built. One of the most magnificent churches I have ever seen is the Catholic church here. It is also the largest. All of the church buildings are new, and present a fine appearance.

Rev. Dr. Leftwich, formerly of Alexandria, lives here, and is in charge of a large and prosperous congregation. At present he is out of the city, visiting some of the summer resorts to recuperate his health.

Mr. Hart is here (stopping at the National Hotel, kept by one who does know how to keep a hotel, Col. J. E. Owen's, formerly of the Piedmont House, Lynchburg, Va.) in the interest of that valuable patent, Janney's car coupler. The Atlanta and West Point Railroad Company have it in use on trial, as has the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company. So far the officers of these companies express themselves as being well pleased with its workings. In a year or so Janney's car coupler will be as necessary to the comfort and safety of the travelling public as the Westinghouse air brake.

The famous H. I. Kimball House is a magnificent building, five stories high, and surrounded by a mansard roof. It nearly covers an entire square, and cost \$750,000, and is furnished in the most modern style.

The National Hotel, although not so magnificent as outside appearances, is equally as comfortable, and the fare unsurpassed.

I notice that several of the hotels in this State advertise to meet their patrons with an old Virginia welcome. Now it makes a fellow feel good to know that his people are held in such high estimation throughout the country, but then I don't think any one but a real old Virginia gentleman or lady is capable of carrying out this honor in its true meaning.

The people of this State are kind, sociable, and hospitable, and one great and good feature among them is that there is no shoddy aristocracy, and you won't find any "ten cent millionaires. I mean young men with more head than brains, and more pride than good common sense, floating around. There is no room for that class of people in this section.

Now, every one you meet commences to talk "crops," and not being a "granger," and hardly knowing an onion patch from a lettuce bed, I am perfectly at a loss. To give you an idea, Friday evening last I was going to Marietta, Ga., on the train in company with Maj. A., and in passing along I saw a good large field of what I thought was cotton, and I remarked that cotton was looking well and no doubt the owner would gather a fine crop. You can better imagine how I felt when the Major said, yes, no doubt he would have had a fine crop of cotton there if he had not planted tomato vines in his field. I have not talked crop since, but from what I can learn the chances are fair for a large cotton crop. Most of the planters complain of too much rain.

Business here is good, and you do not hear that "crops" complaint, "we ain't doing anything." These people do not wait for business to come to them; they make it. Look at the advertisements in the daily papers as an evidence of the prosperity of the place.

Now, reader, if you ever intend to move to any city to engage in business make these inquiries before determining on the place, viz: Is there a daily paper in the town? Yes! Is it well filled with local advertisements? No! Our people don't like to pay money for advertising. Don't go there; select a place where the people appreciate the use of printer's ink and advertise in accordance with their means, and then if you attend to your business strictly success is yours. I heard a merchant of this place say to-day if his rent was \$5,000 a year he would spend \$10,000 a year with the printer. That man has one of the largest stores in Atlanta.

Your correspondent expects to leave for Texas in a few days, when he will let you hear from him at Houston. Until then I must lay away my Gazette pencil. J. W. W.

Letter from Warrenton. (Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) WARRENTON, VA., July 30.—An anecdote is told of a traveller, who, going on foot for the sake of the scenery, along the beautiful banks of the "dark rolling Danube," passed about sunrise, through one of the picturesque towns that stud the hills of Bavaria, and was attracted by the sound of gay music, and the sickly flicker mocking chandeliers in a house on the outskirts. On approaching, he was surprised to find a large company of very small children, in full ball costume, dancing and flirting, and promenading, and going through all of the minutiae of a regular ball. The traveller looked on in speculative wonder for some minutes, and seeing a couple who, for some freedom in their "sweet communion," had strayed away from the house, and their companions, far into the grounds, he asked, "my dear children what on earth does all this mean at this hour? It is not possible that you have kept up your party all night? Don't you see that it is after sunrise? 'Mon dieu,' lisped the offended swain in surprise, and then in compassion for the stranger's simplicity, "it is right late for day before yesterday, but for last night it is just the beginning of the evening. You see we commenced this thing only last night." This story might find some application in our own beautiful little town, for here

"Fandango twirls his jocular castnet," so amazingly from night till morn and from morn till night again, that a stranger who sits quietly feels himself growing dizzy, and thinks the whole town is spinning around his head. I heard a gentleman say the other day that he had not seen fifty yards from the banks of "the beautiful blue Danube" since he has been in Warrenton. They have a "Sociable Club," Warrenton.

Divorce.—An important decision has just been made by one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New York, nullifying a marriage on the ground that the woman had been unchaste before wedlock, the fruits of guilt appearing shortly after. It appears that the husband had been deceived. He had heard reports affecting her character, but she had succeeded in convincing him that they were false. The order of the Judge was to the effect that the marriage between the parties was obtained by fraud of the defendant, making the same utterly null and void, dissolving it, giving both freedom from the obligation of marriage with each other. The Judge ordered the infant child of the parties to be committed to the defendant, and that the defendant pay the plaintiff \$50 of the cost of the action.

Baltimore Conference.—The Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church South, according to the minutes of its last session, is composed of 170 travelling and 105 local members, with 24,232 white and 76 colored members. Number of Sunday Schools 377, with 459 Superintendents, 2,977 teachers, and 20,179 scholars.

wear their mistresses home slippers out practicing the "Glide" in the deserted nurseries. Oh, "muse of the many twinkling feet" potent is thy sway, and many and constant are thy votaries in Warrenton! The town is filling with strangers, and to the pleasure loving, especially, if they are under the age of puberty, it is delightful. Shakespeare said man plays a seven parts in life's drama, but up here in my view shortened it by omitting the second part, viz: When the "school boy" with bright morning face, creeps to school," instead, he dances the "Boston."

The Enquirer White Sulphur Springs, a pleasant evening drive from here, has quite a number of visitors, and is the daily resort of buggy driving Warrentonians in the evening. We consider the town a success this season. N'IMPORTE QUI.

Bankruptcy Cases. During the late session of the U. S. District Court here, the following orders in cases of bankruptcy were entered:

David E. Almond; rule against certain creditors to show cause why war interest should not be abated.

John H. Stover; order allowing assignee extra compensation for services rendered in selling assets.

G. L. Lowenthal; order directing sale of stock of goods in Petersburg.

Wethers Smith; assignee ordered to convey to purchaser deed of real estate.

James Adam, of Leesburg; order directing trustee to deed of trust from bankrupt to pay balance in his hands to assignee of bankrupt.

John T. Hicks; order directing marshal to execute writ of possession heretofore issued in this case.

Robt. Beale; order allowing exemptions heretofore allowed to be set aside, and bankrupt ordered to pay \$757 23 to A. N. Bernard.

A. M. Taylor; order dissolving injunction.

Horace Cob and James Cockerill; order appointing special commissioner to ascertain liens in these cases.

E. M. Pitman; order for sale of real estate.

Edw. A. Hery; order confirming assignee's report of property exempted to bankrupt.

William Tabb; order allowing exemptions to bankrupt.

Jos. W. Allen; order to show cause why real estate should not be sold subject to liens, &c.

Geo. W. Cropp; order for sale of real estate of bankrupt.

Wm. White and Jas. S. Lovelace; order for resale of real estate of bankrupts.

Wm. White and Jas. S. Lovelace; restraining order against assignee and rule against Ayre & Son and others to show cause why the judgments of John and Thomas Powell's executors should not be first paid.

Richard T. Ames; order to show cause why real estate of bankrupt should not be resold.

J. V. Rouse; rule against Fielding S. Brantier, purchaser of real estate of bankrupt, to show cause, at Alexandria on the 1st of October next, why advertiser's bill due Warrenton Index for advertising real estate, should not be paid.

W. S. Childs and Sanford Payne; order for sale of real estate in both these cases.

Chas. E. Tyler; Douglas Tyler, purchaser of the real estate ordered to comply with the terms of sale within sixty days or property to be resold under former order of the court.

Geo. W. F. Smith; order directing R. H. Downman, special commissioner, to ascertain the rental value of the real estate in possession of bankrupt during the ensuing year, and rule awarded against the assignee, returnable at Richmond on the 5th of August, to show cause why the sale of personal property of bankrupt should not be set aside.

Jos. H. Blackwell and M. C. Blackwell; rule awarded against John Carr, assignee in these cases, returnable on the 1st of October next, why he should not be dealt with according to law, for his failure to make a report of the assets received by him; and also, for his failure to request the Register to call a third meeting of creditors.

M. A. Browning; order associating the trustee, T. M. Latham, in a deed of trust from bankrupt, to be associated with the assignees in making sale of real estate of bankrupt.

P. S. Gaines; order appointing special commissioner to ascertain liens upon bankrupt's estate.

C. H. Heath, W. L. H. Hendricks, Jos. S. Thompson and Kan. K. Morgan; orders to show cause why real estate of bankrupts should not be sold free from liens, &c., and Register directed to ascertain priorities of liens on said real estate.

The District Court will meet again on the 1st day of October next.

"THE SHOCK TO RELIGION."—Because one hypocrite, who happened to be eloquent, gifted and conspicuous, has been exposed, the cry is raised that the church has received a fatal blow, and that religion itself will be overthrown. They talk about the "shock to Christianity," and all that. There have been greater hypocrites, and far worse men than Mr. Beecher in all the ages since the Christian system was established. There were such right under the eyes of the great Master himself, and He denounced them as hypocrites and "whited sepulchres." He was betrayed by one of the twelve. Yet, the religion He founded has gone on "conquering and to conquer." Those who fear that one man's hypocrisy can break down a system which has survived every form of persecution and abuse must have very little faith to begin with. In their exaggerated estimate of Beecher they fancy that he can, by his evil example, break down a religion founded by the Son of God. The thing is almost too absurd for comment.—Richmond Whig.

THE MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA BOUNDARY LINE.—Attorney-General Daniel is now busily engaged preparing a statement on the part of Virginia of her case in the matter at issue. The commissioners on the part of the two States, Messrs. Jere. S. Back and Wm. A. Graham, were to have met on the 21st of July at the Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs for conference, but the meeting was necessarily postponed for want of an arbitrator. One having since been mutually chosen, a meeting will take place as soon as a time and place for the same shall be agreed on. The documents, maps and arguments connected with the solution of the vexed question are very voluminous, and if I were printed would make a considerable library of themselves. Judge William J. Robertson, of Charlottesville, will aid Attorney-General Daniel before the commissioners.—Rich. Eng.

[COMMUNICATED.] I am now an old man; I have nearly seen my three score years and ten. When I look around me and see the "new departures" from our old system, I am confounded. Years ago we had a Common Council composed of the best men, such as Robert L. Taylor, President, and other very eminent men. We had no Board of Aldermen then; the business was done quietly; now we have things different. We have one or two "splurgers," who charge themselves and let "off" at every meeting. We have also what is called a Board of Public Works (Gold help them), about as much use as five wheels to a coach. Then we have tax receivers in place of tax collectors, with room furnished, desks, carpets and a clerk, or auditor. I don't know which, with any amount of "pomp and circumstance" of glorious "tom foolery." Then we have a School Board, that weekly, I believe, publish long accounts of leucadical stuff in the papers which nobody wants to read. Shades of Burchell and Ball, did you ever think of such things? Tax receivers; what does the Corporation want with two receivers? I will find a man to do all the work for less than the pay of either. Then we have what is called

Superintendent of Police, who is said to be only a scavenger, another "hanger on" on the treasury of the city. Appoint a civil engineer who can or will do all the duties of engineer and Superintendent of Police. Look at the filling up at the north of Princess, on Pitt street; admirable; but a ten year old boy could do better. Why say more; I am worn out, disgusted with such an exhibit. QUANTICO.

Littell's Living Age, for this week, is quite as attractive as usual.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL. In money matters there is but little, if any, change to note since last week. A large amount of money has been sent into the country for the purpose of moving the crops, and a return may now be speedily looked for, easing the market and giving a general impetus to all branches of business. State bonds are generally quiet, but firm; Virginias are more active, and we note sales in Baltimore of \$500,000 in all at 52 1/2-52 3/4, closing at 52 1/2-52 3/4, and \$300,000 in all at 52 1/2-52 3/4, and deferred certificates at 11, with 10 bid. Railroad stocks are somewhat firm, with sales reported of \$2500, & A. 31 m/rts at 80. There have been no sales of Corporation of Alexandria stock reported during the week.

Alexandria Market, July 31, 1874. FLOUR, Fine..... 4 00 a 4 50 Superfine..... 5 75 a 6 00 Extra, old Wheat..... 7 25 a 7 75 new do..... 6 75 a 7 50 Family..... 8 07 a 8 50 Family, choice..... 8 50 a 9 00 WHEAT, common to fair..... 1 10 a 1 20 Fair to good..... 1 20 a 1 30 Good to prime..... 1 30 a 1 35 Prime to choice..... 1 35 a 1 40 CORN, white..... 0 88 a 0 90 Mixed..... 0 88 a 0 90 Yellow..... 0 85 a 0 86 RYE..... 0 75 a 0 80 OATS..... 0 50 a 0 55 CHICKENS..... 2 00 a 4 00 BUTTER, prime..... 0 23 a 0 25 Common to middling..... 0 12 a 0 15 EGGS..... 1 00 a 1 10 IRISH POTATOES..... 0 13 a 0 14 BACON, Hams, country..... 0 17 a 0 18 Western..... 0 12 a 0 13 Sides..... 0 12 a 0 13 Shoulders..... 0 14 a 0 15 LARD..... 0 14 a 0 15 PLASTER, ground, per ton..... 7 50 a 8 00 Ground, in bags or barrels..... 9 50 a 10 00 Ground, in bags, returned..... 8 50 a 9 00 LUMP..... 1 20 a 1 40 SALT, G. A. (Liverpool)..... 2 20 a 2 40 Fine..... 0 35 a 0 40 Turk's Island..... 0 30 a 0 33 WOOL, common unwashed..... 0 43 a 0 45 Washed..... 0 43 a 0 45 Merino washed..... 0 43 a 0 45

REMARKS.—Receipts of Flour are extremely light; the old stock being well worked off, and but little new arriving; the week closes with a fair demand for high grade Extras and a moderate enquiry for low grades. Wheat has been in more liberal receipt than for some weeks past, but the bulk of the offerings is of inferior quality, being dry but badly cleaned; prices rule low; the market has been active all the week till to-day, when we quote it dull, except for choice lots; offerings to-day of 2240 bushels, with sales of red at 116, 120, 125, 128 and 130 for ordinary to prime, and 134, 135 and 136 for choice. Corn was scarce, with a brisk demand for shipment at the opening, with an advancing tendency, but towards its close the demand fell off, losing 2 or 3c of the advance; offerings to day of 638 bushels, with sales of white at 90, and mixed at 88. There is some enquiry for Rye, while receipts are light. Arrivals of Oats are larger, and prices are off to 8c; offerings to day of 816 bushels, with sales at 55 and 51. Chickens are arriving in small lots; the demand is good. Butter is very scarce and wanted. The supply of Eggs is liberal, and prices are down. Owing to the dry weather Potatoes are scarce at an advance. Bacon is very firm, with an advancing tendency; prices are quoted 4c better. We have no change to note in Plaster, Salt or Wool.

ALEXANDRIA CATTLE MARKET, July 31.—The offerings of Cattle, &c., this week were fully equal to the demand with good sales at advanced prices. We quote: Cattle 3 50; Sheep 4 50; Lambs 2 50; Hogs 1 50; and Cows and Calves 2 50 per head. The market was fairly active.

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET, July 30, 1874. Prices to-day for Beef Cattle ranged as follows: Best Beeves at 5 50; 2nd quality at 4 75; 3rd quality at 4 25; 4th quality at 3 75; 5th quality at 3 25; 6th quality at 2 75; 7th quality at 2 25; 8th quality at 1 75; 9th quality at 1 25; 10th quality at 75c. Oxen and Cows at 3 25; 2nd quality at 2 75; 3rd quality at 2 25; 4th quality at 1 75; 5th quality at 1 25; 6th quality at 75c. The market was very active.

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