

LOCAL ITEMS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—War Department, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington, D. C. April 20, 1876.—10:30 a. m. —For the Middle and Eastern States stations: a falling barometer, warmer, south and west winds, partly cloudy and hazy weather.

BANK OF OLD DOMINION VS. McVEIGH.

As will be seen in the report of the proceedings of the Corporation Court, published in this paper, the case of the Bank of Old Dominion vs. James H. and William N. McVeigh, terminated in that Court by a judgment in favor of the Bank for the principal sum sued for against the former defendant, who is the maker of the notes, and a verdict in favor of the latter defendant, the endorser of the notes, except the sum of \$206.05, about which no contest had been made. As was heretofore stated this case has been once tried and a verdict was rendered against both maker and endorser for the whole of the Bank's demand, at which time the defendant, W. N. McVeigh, moved for a new trial, on the ground that the evidence did not establish due notice of the protest of the notes, which fell due and were protested whilst he was within the Southern military lines. The Court overruled the motion for a new trial, and the defendant took exceptions to this ruling to the Court of Appeals, and that tribunal passing upon the questions of law and fact, sustained the defendant's motion, reversed the lower Court, and remanded the case for a new trial. The appellate Court, in passing upon the question of the sufficiency of notice to a negotiable paper upon which he was an endorser, held that there could be no valid dishonor to bind him, pending notice to the recognized war in which the existence of the contract resided within the parties to the contract, and occupied the legal attention of the parties. In respect to this point, Judge Lowe yesterday held that unless the Bank could show dishonor and protest of the notes, subsequent to the cessation of hostilities between the belligerent powers, at a time when demand of payment would have been lawful, and notice of such protest within a reasonable time thereafter, the Bank would be precluded from a recovery against the endorser.

Counsel for the Bank contended that the endorsement of this debt by the Court of Appeals was not involved in the pleadings and issues in the case, and was an obiter dictum and no part of the judgment of the court which judgment only reached the question of the validity of notice of protest, and could not be understood to assent to the validity of the protest, which was a new question in the litigation and could not have been before decided in the appellate court. The Judge held that in the absence of proof of a second protest and notice, the bank was chargeable with inches and the endorser discharged from liability.

The counsel for the bank took a bill of exceptions to the ruling of the court and the case will in all probability again be taken to the Court of Appeals.

CORPORATION COURT.—Judge E. M. Lincey presiding.—The estate of Mary H. White was committed to the Sergeant for administration. Bank of the Old Dominion vs. McVeigh et al.; jury and verdict for plaintiff, as follows: "We, the jury, find the issue joined for the plaintiffs, and we find for the plaintiff as to the defendant James H. McVeigh for \$12, 25 and 55, and allow interest thereon from the 1st day of January, 1866, and we find for the plaintiff as to the defendant W. N. McVeigh for \$206.05, and allow interest thereon from the 1st day of January 1866." Motion by plaintiff for a new trial.

Commonwealth vs. John DeFord; petit larceny; plea of guilty, and sentenced to six months in jail and on the chain gang.

A BOLD ASSAULT.—As officer Wm. Mullen was passing out south Washington street, last night, about nine o'clock, escorting home a lady who had been spending the day with his family, he was attacked near the Washington school house by three negro men. He engaged one of them, knocking him down twice, but was obliged to leave him to go to the assistance of the lady, whom the other two negroes were endeavoring to carry up an alley near by. Upon the approach of the officer they fled, and he was unable to leave the lady to pursue them. Such an attack upon a public street, at such an early hour, was certainly extremely bold.

REVIVAL.—The revival services at the M. E. Church were continued last night by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Webb, assisted by Rev. Dr. Nichols. The meeting was very largely attended, and some six or seven persons were at the mourner's bench, besides a considerable number of young men who remained for conversation. No regular service will be held to-night, on account of the union prayer-meeting at the M. E. Church South, but after that meeting is dismissed Mr. Webb will attend in his church to receive and converse with such persons as desire to see him on religious subjects.

FISH REPORT.—Owing to the dead calm on the river last night and this morning very few fish arrived at Fishtown, the vessels containing those caught last evening being all becalmed. Since the last report there have been received 6,250 shad, 34,000 herrings, and 200 buchees of rock and perch. Prices have advanced considerably in the past two days, and this morning shad sold from \$12 to \$14 per thousand, rock 25 to 30 cents per buche, and perch from 8 to 12 cents per buche. In addition to these receipts there are daily received quantities of eels, cat fish and other "offal" fish, which are sold at nominal prices.

THE CANAL.—The troubles caused by the miner's strike are increasing. The Cumberland Alleghenian of yesterday says: "Yesterday about a dozen boatmen, belonging to the Maryland, American and other companies, pulled up stakes and went home. Some of them were so hard up that they were compelled to borrow the money necessary to return. This is too bad. The American company has also ordered all repairs on its boats to be discontinued, except those now on the stocks in the boatyards."

PRESBYTERY OF THE CHESAPEAKE.—The Presbytery of the Chesapeake of the Synod of Virginia, which includes in its jurisdiction both of the Presbyterian Churches in this city, met in Washington, on Tuesday night. Rev. Wm. Duwiddie, of this place, was elected Moderator. Among the members of the Presbytery are Rev. Dr. J. J. Bullock, Rev. Wm. Duwiddie and Mr. N. W. Pierson of the churches in this city. The Presbytery was engaged all day yesterday in hearing the usual reports from the churches.

POLICE REPORT.—The following cases have been tried since the last report: Joseph Parker, colored, for abusing Lucy Wright, also colored, was fined and discharged. A drunken tramp, who was unable to tell his name, was locked up to sober off.

Harriet Lawson, a colored girl, for fighting another girl on the street was, sent to jail for ten days by Justice Nails.

Eight lodgers were accommodated at the stable house last night.

THE ST. ASAPH STREET TRAOK.—Judge Keith, at Warrenton, yesterday refused to grant an injunction against the running of trains on St. Asaph street, on the ground, it is understood, of some informality in the application. The application will probably be renewed. The indictment for maintaining a nuisance had not been called up at a late hour this evening, but will probably be brought up as soon as the pending trial is finished.

THE CEMETERIES.—The General Assembly having extended the police jurisdiction of the city so as to include the cemeteries, the Mayor has appointed and sworn in Walter H. Daily as special policeman and assigned him to duty at the graveyards on the southwestern suburbs of the city. The Mayor has determined to use all the power at his command to prevent any disorderly conduct in the graveyards in the future.

FIRE AT LEESBURG.—On Tuesday night the stable of Dr. Montany, adjoining the Fair Grounds, at Leesburg, was set on fire, and before the flames were subdued, it, with a part of its contents, was entirely destroyed. The horses in the stable were turned loose and driven out and their lives thereby saved. A large stock of feed together with all the harness, a buggy and a sulky was burned. No insurance so far as known.

THE FISHERMEN'S WAR.—Capt. Gregg, who was so severely wounded in the late fishermen's fight near Tolson's wharf, is gradually recovering from his injuries. Capt. Dwyer's board of Fish Commissioners will meet on the 27th inst., when it is expected that some action will be taken in regard to the participation of Captain Carpenter, of the State Oyster Police, in the recent troubles.

ARLINGTON TURNPIKE.—At a meeting of the Arlington Turnpike Company, in Arlington, Tuesday evening, it was resolved to pay Messrs. Dove and Trimmer, the contractors, for working thepike the past year but \$25 of the \$159 claimed to be due, it being alleged that they have not come up to the contract, and have left the road in a bad condition.

The postoffice at Paspatsany, King George county, Va., has been re-established on the route from Commo to Hampstead, with John W. Aylar as Postmaster.

The Union Prayer Meeting will be held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at 8 o'clock to-night.

H. C. SLAYMAKER Co. are paying out silver in change, fresh from the Treasury. They keep things in motion around them, fresh goods coming in all the time. People will go for the largest stock and cheap goods.

THE GREAT BANKRUPT SALE OF DRY GOODS.—One of the greatest attractions to Washington just now is the great bankrupt sale of dry goods by Wash. B. Williams, at his auction room, corner of Tenth and D streets. The stock comprises drygoods, notions, fine dress goods, carpets and many other articles too numerous to mention. The sales are conducted to the satisfaction of everybody, the ladies being provided with special accommodations, and the gentlemanly salesmen show them every attention. Indeed, the business is carried on so orderly and genteel that it is made a pleasure to attend these sales. And such bargains; ladies attending to make single purchases find every thing going off so cheaply are induced to lay in stocks which will last them a year. No better opportunity to purchase was ever offered in Washington.

"A friend in need is a friend indeed." Such a friend is Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, which should be in every family; it only costs 25 cts. a bottle and may save many a doctor's bill.

EUREKA is the brand to buy if you want good sewing silk. Slaymaker Co. sell it.

It is to be hoped that the meeting which is to be held at the Auditor's office to-morrow (Friday evening) by the Conservative committee, to make arrangements for the coming election, will not advocate a convention. It will not take with the mass of the voters. Let us have a primary election, and that is the only honest way to do business.

MARRIED.—On the 19th inst., at the Methodist Episcopal Church, in this city, by Rev. Dr. Nichols, CLAS S. FORD to Mrs. MARY ROUGHTON, both of Alexandria, Va.

DWELLING HOUSE FOR RENT.—A TWO-STORY FRAME HOUSE in an eligible situation, with or without the furniture; contains six rooms; possession given on the 1st of May. Address P. O. box No. 56. ap 20

MORE EDDYSTONES, GREEN GLASS, CHEYNE'S KNICKERBOCKER, and other styles of CALICOES for suits; also more COTTON AT FIVE CENTS A YARD. H. C. SLAYMAKER CO.

TURK'S ISLAND SALT.—3000 BUSHELS T. I. SALT in store and to arrive per schr. A. J. Tubman. For sale by P. B. HOOD, No. 2 Prince street. ap 20

ANDREW COE'S ORIGINAL SUPER PHOSPHATE OF LIME. A supply of this popular Fertilizer in store and for sale by P. B. HOOD, No. 2 Prince street. ap 20

FLOWER POTTS! FLOWER POTTS! Just received Flower Pots, all sizes; for sale low at E. J. MILLER & CO'S., 65 King street. ap 20

CHOICE NEW YORK BUTTER, fresh, just received by J. C. & E. MILBURN. ap 20

PRIME NEW YORK FACTORY CHEESE just received by J. C. & E. MILBURN. ap 20

PALERMO ORANGES just received by J. C. & E. MILBURN. ap 20

CHOICEST TEAS just received by J. C. & E. MILBURN. ap 20

STAMPING.—We are constantly receiving new patterns and designs. Work will be executed well and at low prices. Ornise and Night Dress Yokes, now at ALFRED GUNSON & BROS., 54

SACHET POWDERS.—Rose, Violet, Geranium, Jockey Club, Heliotrope, and Frangipani. Just received a fresh supply at WARFIELD & HALL'S, cor. Prince and Fairfax sts. dec 17

GOOD JAPAN TEA AT FIFTY CENTS. Just received an invoice of Japan Tea, which we consider superior in flavor to anything we have seen at the above price. Try it. J. C. & E. MILBURN. feb 26

HIGH BACK COMBS.—Another supply of the above in new and desirable styles just received at FERGUSON & BROS., 96 King street. mh 17

FRESH CASSIMERE SUITINGS and CASSIMERE for boys just received at H. C. SLAYMAKER CO'S. ap 13

10 DOZEN MORE UNWASHED SHIRTS; all colors; all \$1.50. H. C. SLAYMAKER CO. mh 3

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

FROM WASHINGTON. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20, 1876.—The Senate, after the reception of memorials, took up the bill for the admission of the jewels sent by the Khedive of Egypt to Mrs. Nellie Sherman Fitch.

The bill was advocated by Mr. Anthony, of Rhode Island; Mr. Gordon, of Georgia; Mr. Hamlin, of Maine; Mr. Conkling, of New York, and Mr. Howe.

Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, at first advocated sending the bill to a committee, but withdrew his objection, and the bill passed. The diamonds have never been received by Mrs. Fitch, having remained in the Custom House for the past two years. The duties released by the bill are about \$24,000, a sum as Mr. Howe said would impoverish most any man in the country.

Mr. Sargent introduced a resolution looking to an amendment of the treaty with China so as to allow of the passage of laws forbidding or limiting emigration from the Chinese Empire. Referred.

The silver bill was then taken up, and Mr. Bogoy, of Maryland, addressed the Senate at length.

In the House of Representatives the Diplomatic Appropriation bill, with the Senate amendments, was reported from the committee, with a recommendation that the House non-concur in the Senate amendments.

A resolution in reference to the border troubles in Mexico was referred.

The report of the Committee on Rules relative to the case of C. E. Smith, the clerk against whom charges have been made in connection with the Bouary bill, submitted a report strongly condemnatory of the action of Mr. S., but made no recommendation, Mr. Smith having resigned.

The Senate amendments to the Deficiency Appropriation bill were reported, and agreed to in part.

A resolution charging Secretary Bristow with corruption in office, was introduced. The charge is that the Secretary, after his entrance into office, remitted certain forfeitures to parties in Chicago, for whom he had been attorney before his appointment.

Mr. Hale and other Republicans at first objected, but withdrew their objections upon a statement that the Secretary desired the fullest investigation.

The resolution was then referred to the Committee on Contingent Expenses of the Treasury Department.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the Lathan Transfer bill, which was debated in five minute speeches, and reported the bill to the House, and it was passed.

THE OTTOMAN CASE. In the Ottoman case in the Criminal Court, to-day, Judge McArthur endeavored to reduce the bail to \$12,000, whereupon counsel stated that they were ready to give the amount at once. After naming the securities, among whom were Washington Naylor, Summy and others, the District Attorney handed over affidavits signed by them to be made, and which will be examined into and reported to the court to-morrow at 10 o'clock, at which time it is thought the securities will be accepted and Ottoman released. It is not likely that this case, which has already consumed twenty days at this term, will be tried before June next.

THE KILBURN CASE. The argument in the Kilburn case was continued before Judge Carter to-day by Mr. Shellbarger and other counsel. No decision has yet been made.

Foreign News. LONDON, April 20.—The Levant Herald of April 12th, published at Constantinople, says that at Hulae, a town of Asiatic Turkey, 60 miles south of Bagdad, from March 28th to 31st inclusive, there were 66 new cases of the plague and 42 deaths, and at Bagdad from March 28th to April 1st, 145 new cases and 75 deaths. The plague has now crossed to the left bank of the river Tigris which had previously escaped it.

A dispatch to the Rover Telegram Company from Berlin says that the maintenance of a complete agreement between the three northern powers is affirmed from all quarters. Moreover, it has been questioned not a previous understanding among themselves and with the three other great powers.

GIBRALTAR, April 20.—The Prince of Wales sailed to-day for Ceuta. He will visit Madrid and Seville, before going to Lisbon.

LONDON, April 20.—W. W. Gray, charged with larceny in New York, was arraigned to-day. Capt. Thomas Sampson, D. C. of the United States Government, and the sub-Treasurer produced the necessary papers and the justice formally committed the prisoner to the house of detention for at least fifteen days, after which it will rest with the discretion of the British Government whether he shall be extradited or not.

VIENNA, April 20.—The Tagblatt Russisch says that the Turkish Commander Moukha Pasha, is preparing another expedition to Reviental.

NISCIE, Isthm, April 20.—The K-lep Nape newspaper asserts that Montenegro has declared war against Turkey.

Charged With Fraud. DAVENPORT, N. Y., April 20.—John J. Davenport, Clerk of the U. S. Circuit Court, to-day, sent a telegram to B. G. C. of Alexandria, stating that the morning papers here declared that it appeared to the committee of which he was chairman, that Davenport had received from the Government, between 1871 and 1874 various sums of money. He says that he had receipts for every dollar paid him, as he disbursed it all for information, detection and prosecution of frauds at elections and crimes against the United States. He asks to be set joined at once before the committee, and promises to show that in addition to what the government had paid in this matter he had personally expended \$25,000 dollars in the same work, which he owes to-day.

Robbery. FORT SCOTT, April 20.—A special from Baxter Springs, Kansas, says at about ten o'clock yesterday morning two men entered the Baxter Bank, presenting pistol at the head of the cashier, went through the safe, and escaped into the Indian territory with \$3,000. Officers and a number of citizens are in close pursuit.

Fire. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., April 20.—The passenger and freight buildings of the Dutchess and Columbia and Hudson River Railroad companies, at Dutchess Junction, were burned this morning. The total loss is \$14,000.

Death. INDIANAPOLIS, April 20.—Richard C. Duane, a well known telegrapher, formerly chief operator of the Indianapolis and New Orleans circuits, died at Battle Creek, Michigan, this morning.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The third annual meeting of the stockholders in the United States Centennial Exposition was held in the Board of Trade rooms at Philadelphia, at noon to-day. The report in speaking of the financial condition of affairs says: No many agencies are in action drawing the various parts of our preparatory work to a close that it is impossible to speak other than approximately of the outlay. We see no reason to vary the estimate heretofore made, which was \$8,500,000.

Returns from fifty-seven points in Ohio as to the condition of the crops indicate that peaches are totally destroyed or badly injured; of the other fruits fifteen report that the indications are favorable for good crops.

The reports from the flooded region of Mississippi are more favorable. It is now believed that a large portion of the bottoms will not be reached by the overflow. The reported loss of life is contradicted. The river is falling.

The Maryland Democratic State Central Committee have called the State Convention to choose delegates to the National Convention at St. Louis to meet in Baltimore on the 31st of May.

It is announced that the Ballou Manufacturing Company, a large corporation whose mills are at Woonsocket, Conn., has made an assignment.

A man was arrested last night in Rochester, N. Y., in the act of setting fire to the office of the Evening Express and another building.

The House of Representatives, yesterday evening, by a vote of 111 to 9, voted to have a night session. At the night session, after a recess of ten minutes, appeared the number who voted in the negative, appeared, and yet it was about 12 o'clock before the House adjourned, that much time being taken up in talk.

CANDIDATES.

[All cards inserted under this caption must be paid for in advance.]

WHEN I ANNOUNCED MYSELF A candidate for the seat in the House of Delegates made vacant by the resignation of William H. Fowle, esq., I did so at the suggestion of friends and under the impression which was shared by them that by an understanding and agreement entered into a year or more ago with the Conservative party, I should be allowed to fill the vacancy. Regarding this as indicating the policy of the Conservative party, I felt that no such arrangement as that I have mentioned was or could have been made, and willing to do everything in my power that may tend to maintain harmony in the ranks of the party and assure its success in the coming election, I hereby withdraw my name, and bespeak for Mr. Febray, who is in every way worthy of the place, the active and earnest support of my friends. To them I tender my heartfelt thanks for their confidence in me, and to him the assurance of my readiness to aid him in the cause in any way that I can. GEO. A. MUSHBACH.

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AUCTION SALES.

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At the same time and place will be offered for sale TWO BUILDING LOTS on the north side of Prince street near Payne.

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