## COMMERCIAL.

WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS IN ALEXANDRIA

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| Flour, Fine | $3 00 | @ | 3 50 |
| Superfine | 4 00 | @ | 4 25 |
| Extra | 4 75 | @ | 5 00 |
| Family | 5 25 | @ | 5 75 |
| Fancy brands | 6 25 | @ | 6 75 |
| Wheat, common to fair | 1 10 | @ | 1 12 |
| Good to prime | 1 12 | @ | 1 15 |
| Choice | 1 17 | @ | 1 20 |
| Corn, white | 0 46 | @ | 0 47 |
| Mixed | 0 46 | @ | 0 47 |
| Yellow | 0 46 | @ | 0 47 |
| Corn Meal | 0 48 | @ | 0 50 |
| Rye | 0 63 | @ | 0 67 |
| Oats | 0 36 | @ | 0 38 |
| Butter, prime | 0 15 | @ | 0 18 |
| Common to middling | 0 8 | @ | 0 10 |
| Eggs | 0 10 | @ | 0 11 |
| Chickens | 3 00 | @ | 4 00 |
| Apples | 2 75 | @ | 3 00 |
| Potatoes per bushel | 1 10 | @ | 1 25 |
| Potatoes (seed) | 1 25 | @ | 1 50 |
| Sweet, per bbl | 2 50 | @ | 3 00 |
| Onions, per bush | 1 00 | @ | 1 25 |
| Dried Apples | 0 3½ | @ | 0 4 |
| Dried Peaches, peeled | 0 10 | @ | 0 12 |
| Unpeeled | 0 4 | @ | 0 5 |
| Bacon, Hams, country | 0 8 | @ | 0 9 |
| Best sugar cured Hams | 0 9½ | @ | 0 10½ |
| Butchers' Hams | 0 9 | @ | 0 9½ |
| Western | 0 9½ | @ | 0 10 |
| Sides | 0 6 | @ | 0 6½ |
| Shoulders | 0 5 | @ | 0 5½ |
| Lard | 0 7½ | @ | 0 8 |
| Veal Calves | 0 4 | @ | 0 5 |
| Plaster, ground, per ton | 4 00 | @ | 4 50 |
| Ground, in bags or bbls | 5 50 | @ | 6 00 |
| Lump | 3 25 | @ | 3 50 |
| Timothy | 1 65 | @ | 1 75 |
| Clover Seed | 4 00 | @ | 4 50 |
| Salt, G. A. (Liverpool) | 0 85 | @ | 0 90 |
| Fine | 1 30 | @ | 1 50 |
| Turk's Island | 0 35 | @ | 0 40 |
| Wool, long unwashed | 0 18 | @ | 0 21 |
| Washed | 0 24 | @ | 0 26 |
| Merino, unwashed | 0 18 | @ | 0 20 |
| Do. washed | 0 24 | @ | 0 26 |
| Sumac | 0 60 | @ | 0 75 |
| Hay | 9 00 | @ | 10 00 |

The market opens firm, with prices higher and advancing. Flour is scarce and firmer, with a better inquiry. The receipts of Wheat are fair and prices are higher, and we note sales of 1300 bushels at 118a120. Corn is also higher, with sales of 700 bushels at 47 for white and yellow. Nothing doing in Rye and Oats, but prices are unchanged. Good Butter is scarce and wanted. Eggs are 1c better. Other articles unchanged.

BALTIMORE, May 12.—Virginia 6s deferred 7⅞; do consolidated 55¾; do 2d series40; past due coupons 8⅞. Sugar firm; A soft 8a8¼. Cotton firm; middling 12⅞. Flour strong and quiet; Howard street and Western Super 3 25a$3 90; do Extra 4 25a$4 85; do Family 5a$5; City Mills Super 3 25a$4; do Extra 4 50a$5; do Rio brands 6a$6 25; Patapsco Family $6 75. Wheat—Southern firm and higher; Western strong; Southern red 115a117; do amber 119a120; No 1 Penna red 119a120; No 2 Western winter red spot 117¾a117¾; May 116¾a116¾; June 117¾a118¼; July 114a114¼; August 111. Corn—Southern firm and higher; Western firm; Southern white 48a50; do yellow 48¾a49; Western mixed spot and May 47¾a48¼; June 47¾a48; July 47¾a48¼; August 45; steamer 46⅞. Oats firm; Southern 35a38; Western white 34a36; do mixed 32¾a34; Penna 34a36. Rye dull at 58a60. Hay dull; prime to choice Penna and Maryland 12a14. Coffee steady and quiet; Rio cargoes 10⅞a16. Whiskey dull at 1 07a$1 07¼.

PHILADELPHIA, May 12.—Cattle market active; sales 1950; good 6½c; medium 6a6¼c; common 5a5½c. Sheep fairly active; sales 6300; good to prime wooled 6a6½c; medium 5a5½c; common 4a4½c; good clipped 5c; medium 4½a4¾c; common 4a4½c. Hogs—market fair; sales 3800; good 6c; medium 5¾a6c; common 5a5¼.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Stocks strong. Money 2a3. Flour quiet. Wheat active. Corn dull.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, MAY 12, 1879.

Sun rises 4 53 | Sun sets 6 49

ARRIVED.

Stmp John Gibson, New York, to F A Reed.
Str Defiance, Philadelphia, to F A Reed.
Str Jane Moseley, Norfolk, to F A Reed.
Str Lady of the Lake, Norfolk, to F A Reed.
Str George Leary, Norfolk, to P B Hooe.
Str J W Thompson, lower Pt'c. to F A Reed.
Str Mattano, lower P'tc to J Broders & Co.
Schr H R Congdon, (10.h) Providence, to American Coal Co.
Schr Lulu Ammerman, Boston, to American Coal Co.
Schr E K Birdsall, Philadelphia, for Georgetown.
Schr Clarinda, Philadelphia to T J Mehaffey &Co.
Schr James Magee, Philadelphia, to T J Mehaffey & Co
Schr Edith E Wright, Philadelphia to T J Mehaffey & Co.
Schr B H Jones, Roudout, to order
Schr E E Burton, Havre de Grace, to J P Agnew & Co.
Schr Sallie Solomon, Philadelphia to W A Smoot.

CLEARED.

Stmp E C Knight, New York, by F A Reed.
Str Lady of the Lake, Norfolk, by F A Reed.
Str J W Thompson, lower Pt'c, by F A Reed
Str George Leary, Norfolk, by P B Hooe.
Schr H R Congdon, Providence, by American Coal Co.
Schr Lulu Ammerman, New Haven, by American Coal Co.
Schr E E Birdsall, Georgetown, by Master.
Schr B H Jones, Washington, by Master.

SAILED.

Brig Redowa Aspinwall.
Schr Lemuel Hall, Aspinwall.

PASSED UP.

Schrs Stephen Morgan, Willie DeWolf, Geo R Vreeland, Warren Sawyer, Ella M Storer, W D Hilton, and Gen Humphreys, for Georgetown.
Schrs R R R No. 40, Victoria, Maria Rockhill, Zephyr, and Julia A. Burkele, all for Washington.

MEMORANDA.

Schr Mary Standish cleared from Boston for this port 9th inst.
Schrs S B Wheeler, Thomas Border, and Daniel Brown, Georgetown, at Boston 10.h.

DISASTER.

The schooner Petrel, Staples master, bound from Bangor to this port, on 10th inst, struck upon a sunken ledge in running into Swan Island for a harbor, making the vessel leak. The deck load has been taken off and repairs are being made, after which the vessel will proceed on her voyage.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is officially given that changes in the shoals off Cape Hatteras N. C., have rendered a light on the extremity of the Cape unnecessary, and the small sixth-order light, known as Cape Hatteras Beacon, will therefore be discontinued on and after June 30 next.

## CANAL COMMERCE.

Arrived—Boats W Gregory, M Kersey, C Robb, H O Claughton, S S Howison, S Henry, T Paton and Maj E L Moore, to American Coal Co; Capt R L Gross, J Sammon, T Venness, P Sinclair and Four Sisters No 2, to Hamp & Balt Coal Co; Nora & Willie, to W A Smoot; Lillie, to Mayfield & Hieston.

Departed—Boats Nora & Willie, Lillie, Wm Gregory, M Kersey and C Robb.


SKATING RINK

AT

SAREPTA HALL

Skating every afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, and every night from 8 to 10½ o'clock, commencing Monday night, May 12. Every morning, from 10 to 12 o'clock, the hall will be open for ladies only to learn and practice. The afternoon assemblies are designed for ladies and children. There will be no charge made except for use of skates in the mornings and afternoons. At night, from 8 to 10 o'clock, will be regular skating assemblies. my 12

FOR RENT.—The TWO STORY DWELLING, No. 95 south Pitt street, containing seven (7) rooms, with gas through the house and water near the kitchen door. The yard is nicely laid off in grass, with flowers, fruit trees, grape vines (all bearing) &c., &c. Apply to J. C. MILBURN.
my10-tf 19 north Royal St.


## LOCAL NEWS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES. May 12, 1879. For the Middle Atlantic States northeast to southeast winds, stationary or falling barometer, slightly warmer cloudy weather, possibly followed by light rains.

THE PRIMARY ELECTION.—The Conservative Committee and the candidates met at the Sun engine house, on Saturday night, distributed the tickets and made the final arrangements for the primary. They also completed the list of colored men allowed to vote.

To day the election has been progressing quietly with the exception of one or two small fights, which were immediately stopped. The number of votes cast has been quite large, and the interest has centred mainly on the offices of Mayor and Superintendent of Police.

At 4 o'clock this evening the vote in the several wards was as follows:

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| First Ward, | 220 |
| Second " | 203 |
| Third " | 341 |
| Fourth " | 198 |
| Total, | 962 |

The ballot being a secret one of course nothing definite can be known as to the result until the count. Meanwhile the friends of all parties seem confident.

FATAL AFFRAY.—Passengers on the steamer John W. Thompson, last evening, brought news of a very sad affair at Indian Head, near Glymont. A young man named Robert T. Clements, about twenty years of age, became involved in a dispute with a negro named Philip Price. Price, who was drunk, and is represented as having been a very quarrelsome negro, used abusive language to Clements, and a fight with stones ensued, each party being struck several times on the head. They were finally separated, and Price walked off down the shore, but had only gone about two hundred yards, when he reeled and fell into the water face downwards, and was drowned before assistance reached him. It is supposed that Price's fall was occasioned by weakness from the wounds on his head. Clements was horrified and almost crazed at the result of the affray, in which he had also received severe wounds, his face and head being covered with blood. A coroner's inquest was to have been held to day to determine how far Clements was responsible for Price's death. Clements, who is said to be an orderly young man, is the son of Mr. John W. Clements, of Stump Neck, who is well known here, and a brother of Mr. James E. Clements, of Alexandria county.

FAST RUNNING.—Much complaint is made by shippers and others of the practice among some of the steamers of running at a very fast rate past the wharves, often occasioning considerable damage. On Saturday evening, as the Norfolk steamers were passing the American coal wharf, their speed was so rapid that the surge caused the canal boats lying there to be thrown violently against each other, one of them having her entire taffrail carried away and others being broken away from their moorings. The schooner H. R. Congdon, lying at the same wharf, was also violently bumped against the wharf, but, fortunately, was not damaged. There is a law regulating the speed of steamers in the harbor, and it should be enforced.

LIVELY TIMES.—The wharves of the Norfolk boats, on Saturday evening, presented a lively scene, one in fact, which if more permanent would gladden the hearts of the lovers of the old town. The competion between the rival lines waxed very warm and every effort was put forth to expedite the departure of the boats on the long race to Norfolk. Barrels and bags were hustled aboard in a jiffy, the laborers seeming to outsiders like a swarm of bees, flying hither and thither, over and against each other as they worked. At the George Leary's wharf, as the boat moved off, a number of the passengers, imitating a once popular custom on the Mississippi, threw hands full of coins among the negroes, which caused a lively scramble, and came near carrying several men overboard.

POLICE REPORT.—On Saturday evening, after the Gazette went to press, the Mayor tried the negro boy Charles Henry, who shot Robert Dulany, also colored, as heretofore noticed. The offense was reduced to a simple assault, and Henry was fined $20. He took an appeal to the Corporation Court.

Bub Thompson, colored, for throwing stones on the street, was fined and discharged yesterday.

There were several cases of disorderly conduct at the polls, but all of the parties were locked up to cool off.

PERSONAL.—Hons. J. Proctor Knott, of Ky., Philip Cook, of Ga., and a number of other Congressmen, were among the strangers from Washington who visited this city yesterday.

Rev. John P. Hagan, who preached in St. Mary's Church, yesterday, was formerly a student at St. John's Academy in this city, and has many friends and old schoolmates here, who will be glad to hear that he is looking well. He is now stationed in Norfolk.

EXCITEMENT.—Royal street, near Cameron, was alarmed on Saturday night, about nine o'clock, by screams of murder proceeding from the second story of a restaurant there. It was found that a drunken man had wandered to the upper story of the house of Mr. Nowland, where his family reside, and had so frightened his wife and daughter as to occasion the outcry. The intruder was speedily ejected and taken in charge by an officer. The affair created considerable excitement for awhile.

RAILROAD SUIT.—Suit was instituted in Washington Saturday by Andrew Melville against the B. & P. R. R. Co., claiming $2,000 damages for violation of contract. He avers that on two separate occasions he purchased a ticket for Fort Ruckin, between that city and Alexandria, and that each time the conductor of the train refused to stop at that place, and he was carried some distance beyond and suffered hardship and sickness in walking back to his destination.

YESTERDAY.—Although the clouds yesterday morning appeared to indicate a rainy Sunday, the sun soon broke through them and the day proved a bright and warm one. The streets were thronged with people and large crowds came down from Washington. The churches were well attended, the regular clergy officiating in all of them except the Baptist, where Rev. Mr. Mirick preached in the morning, and St. Mary's, where Rev. John P. Hayden preached.

CORPORATION COURT—*Judge E. M. Lowe presiding.*—Robert A. Bradley was exonerated from the payment of capitation tax on account of old age and bodily infirmity.

The will of Thomas Dwyer was admitted to probate, and his widow qualified as executrix thereof.

The court adjourned till the court in course.

FISH REPORT.—Fishtown looked dull and almost deserted this morning, most of its usual habitues being engaged in the election. The receipts since Saturday amount to 3,000 shad and 150,000 herrings. Shad brought $8a$10 per hundred and herrings $4½a$5 per thousand, one lot selling as low as $3½.

SKATING RINK.—As will be seen by the notice in another column Messrs. J. M. Hill & Co. will open a skating rink in Sarepta Hall for roller skaters. The price is a new one here, and should receive encouragement to keep it going.

ALEXANDRIA LIBRARY.—The Alexandria Library will be re opened at its new rooms in the Peabody Building at 8:30 o'clock to night.

## CONGRESSIONAL.

*Reported for the Alexandria Gazette.*

WASHINGTON, May 12.

SENATE.

Mr. Conkling denied the newspaper statement that he secured the appointment of Major Poale as pension agent at Canandaigua, and also denied that S. Drury, who long had held the place, was related to him. He knew nothing about the appointment till it was sent in.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill.

Mr. Windom addressed the Senate to show that the policy of the democrats is revolutionary and unconstitutional. He said the wiser men of the party were overruled by their vicious and reckless party associates.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Attention was called by Mr. Cox, of New York, to a petition presented by Mr. McCaid, of Iowa, last Saturday, and printed in yesterday's Record, stating that the longer continuance of the session is fraught with danger to peace, and with disaster to financial, commercial and other interests of the country; that the measures inaugurated by Congress threaten revolution, and strike down all safe guards to a free and unintimidated ballot, and that this unprofitable session should be speedily terminated. Mr. Cox characterized the petition as an insult to Congress, and said that he had objected to it at the time, and that therefore it should not have been printed.

A long discussion ensued,

Mr. Cox insisting that that the petition should be struck out of the Record; and,

Mr. Conger, of Mich., taking the ground that that would be improper, and that the only proper remedy was an expunging of the petition by the action of the House, and, in order to have that action, he insisted that the petition should be read so that he could know what he was voting on.

The Speaker [after quoting the precedents in support of his position] stated that the House had control over the Record as much as it had over the Journal, and that he would, therefore, submit the question to the House. He intimated that if he had his own will about it he would let the petition stay in the Record for what it is worth. If the objection to the petition had been noted by the reporter and inserted in the report the petition could not have been printed in the face of that objection. Therefore the correction of the Record by inserting the objection would necessarily exclude the petition.

Finally the question was submitted as to whether the Record should be corrected by the insertion of the objection (the Speaker stating that such correction would necessarily exclude the petition), and the correction was ordered. The Speaker thereupon congratulated the minority on the result, as it was a great protection to the minority.

The introduction and reference of bills was then proceeded with.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mr. W. N. Berkeley advertises to day a large lot of dry goods which he offers at low prices.

The steamer Mystic made a trial trip yesterday. She will run peaches from North Carolina to Norfolk.

The registration officer will be at Falls Church tomorrow to register persons who desire to vote at the coming election.

The primary election at West End on Saturday was the occasion of much disorder, and finally broke up in a row.

The steamer Defiance, of the Philadelphia line, arrived here this morning with one of the largest freights ever brought from that city.

## TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The mountain fires around Pittston, Pa., are raging to an alarming extent. A large amount of lumber and railroad ties have already been destroyed. The Laflin powder mills are threatened, and the men have turned out in full force and are fighting the flames desperately. At Moosic, where their powder mills are located, every effort is being made to save the buildings from the flames. Unless it rains soon the destruction of property will amount to an enormous sum.

The buildings of the county infirmary, at Green Castle, Ind., were burned late on Saturday night. All the inmates escaped except two insane men, Stephen Zink and Thomas Sutherland, who were burned to death. Loss on the building $10,000. Insured.

During a fight this morning between Edward Cock and George Faigle, two boatmen at Manhasset, L. I., Cock struck Faigle over the head with an oar, breaking his skull and killing him instantly.

Stephen Wilkins' tailoring establishment, at Galt, Ont., was burned last night.

All the prisoners save one escaped from the jail at Bryan, Tex., last night.

Charles B. Orvis has been arrested in New York for forgery.


SINCE many Alexandrians and Virginians generally will spend their money in Washington and *positively* pay more for garments than the like can be procured here, I will pay to any person buying from me, his expenses to Washington, for examination, to his entire satisfaction, and if my Clothing, either in ordinary or fine, according to quality and manufacture, are not the cheapest I will refund the money.
S. DEALHAM,
ap 11-1m 62 King st., cor. Fairfax.

TO THE PUBLIC!—Notwithstanding the strong pressure for "cheaper" goods to which most manufacturers have yielded by lowering both quality and price, I have maintained the highest standard of our product while reducing prices by every legitimate means. The people are tired of "shoddy" clothing, bought only from necessity, and the country's improvement is evidenced by the growing demand for better goods. For the spring of 1879 I have prepared one of the choicest stocks of Stylish Clothing I ever produced, and my prices are as low as the cost of labor and material will permit. Terms cash
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310 7th street, Washington, D. C.,
Near Pennsylvania Avenue.

For a fine nobby suit of CLOTHING see S. DEALHAM, 62 King st., corner Fairfax.

HILL'S NO. 1 BREAD IS VERY FINE.

INSECT POWDER, of best quality, and POWDER GUNS for applying the Powder to bedsteads, flowers, &c.; also Liquid Bed Bug Poison, Rat and Roach Exterminator, &c., for sale by
my 12 E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.

LEWIS' LEAD and AVERILL'S CHEMICAL PAINTS, ready for immediate application, just received.
my 12 E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.

NOTICE.—On and after May 15th, 1879, a DIVIDEND OF THREE PER CENT will be paid on stock of the Alexandria Marine Railway and Ship-building Company, at the bank of the German Banking Company of this city. By order of the Board
my 9 J. SCHNEIDER, Manager.

BUTTER.

NEW YORK and OHIO STATE BUTTER for sale by
my 7 THOMAS PERRY, Agent.

A LARGE AND CHOICE LINE OF FANCY HOSIERY, opened May 7. Prices—25, 35, 50, 75 and 85 cents per pair.
my 7-tf C. M. ADAMS, 92 King st.

DESICCATED OAT MEAL, for children and invalids; also Hubbell's prepared wheat. [my7] L. STABLER & CO.

PLOW PLATES, single and double shovel for sale at 88 King st., corner of Royal.
ap 11 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.


## NEWS OF THE DAY.

Rear Admiral Enoch G. Parrott, an old veteran of the United States navy, died in New York Saturday.

Mrs. Catherine Priest, living at Barbee's Cross Roads, Fauquier county, Va., accidentally shot herself through the side, Friday, while dusting the mantelpiece upon which lay a revolver.

The elegant Barreda villa, at Newport, has been sold by A. D. Jessup, of Philadelphia, to John Jacob Astor, of New York, for $201,000. Mr. Jessup bought the property less than two years ago for $100,000.

The Louisiana constitutional convention has adopted an article forbidding the General Assembly from granting extra fees to public officers or authorizing the payment of any claims without express authority of the law.

The steamer De Ruyter, at Antwerp, from New York, had very heavy weather on the passage. She lost her deck load of cattle, and was obliged to throw overboard one hundred and twenty tons of cargo.

A. W. Crawford, the student who disappeared from the University of Virginia some days ago, telegraphs to his brother in Philadelphia that he is in Saxonville, Middlesex county, Mass. It is believed he is temporarily insane.

The heavy iron clipper ship Iron Cross, lying at a Brooklyn wharf, on Saturday capsized and would have gone on her beam ends only her masts caught on the wharf shed. The crew were busy on board, and were terribly frightened, though none were seriously hurt.

Chief of Police Minney, of Milwaukee, arrived in Richmond, Va., Friday night, and having identified the man arrested there a few days ago as Alexander Cohen, charged with numerous forgeries in Milwaukee, left on Saturday with his prisoner for home.

Captain S. S. Blackford, of the Capitol police force, has been notified that his resignation will be accepted on the 15.h instant. It is stated that General Knipe, of Pennsylvania, has already been appointed as his successor. It is probable that Captain Blackford will not resign but will be removed.

Two noted cattle thieves, named Wiley and Jacobs, fought a duel in Montague county, Texas, Saturday, at ten paces. Both began firing with revolvers. Wiley fell mortally wounded, but raised himself on his elbow and sent a bullet through Jacob's brain, killing him instantly.

Mr. W. W. Corcoran has inclosed to Senator Wade Hampton his check for $500 for the benefit of the destitute people of Walterboro', S. C., which place was recently visited by a destructive storm. This is in addition to $200 contributed by Mr. Corcoran to the same charity a couple of weeks ago.

At the recent opening of the Supreme Court at Barnstable, Mass., there appeared thirty females, none of them more than twenty years of age, and yet they were all plaintiffs in divorce cases. The general plea was desertion for three years, which has recently become by law a good cause for divorce.

A steamer from Constantinople, bound for New Haven for a consignment of arms and ammunition, has aboard two magnificent Arabian horses, the property of General Grant, who received them as a gift from the Sultan of Turkey. One is a dapple gray and is named "The Panther," or, in Turkish, Djeytan. The other is coal black, with a white star on his forehead, and is named Missirli.

The little steamer Gipsy, that used to carry the mail between Franklin, Va., and Plymouth, N. C., has been seized for debt, and there is no longer any mail passing between the two places. At Franklin, on the 30.h ult., there were detained over 100 mail pouches and 61 registered letters, containing over $30,000.—The affair has grown out of an irresponsible man getting the contract for carrying the mail.

Mr. Christian K. Ross, who visited North Carolina in search of his long missing son, has again been disappointed, having assured himself that the lad he went to see was not Charlie Ross. The spot visited was Boone, a small village in Watonga county. Mr. Ross said that after nearly five years' search and correspondence in reference to more than 600 children, the only thing that he now knew definitely about him was that he was alive when the burglars Mosher and Douglas were killed.

## FOREIGN ITEMS.

Fifteen farm houses near Parma, Italy, have been destroyed by a land slide.

It is reported that Gen. Garibaldi is better, but the accounts of the state of his health are very conflicting.

The differences in the French Cabinet are said to be exagerated. There is undoubtedly a difficulty, but no crisis.

Notwithstanding fresh arrivals of breadstuffs at Bilboa and Malaga the price of wheat is still rising in Spain.

Orders have been published at Moscow relative to the possession of arms similar to those issued at St. Petersburg.

Differences in the French cabinet are reported in consequence of the hostility to the republic raised by Mr. Ferry's education bill.

Prince Alexander of Ballenberg was enthusiastically received by the Bulgarian residents on arriving at Odessa, en route for Livadia.

Prince Bismarck has submitted to the German federal council a bill levying provisionally and by anticipation all the duties fixed in his tariff bill.

The Madrid Epoca says the news of King Alfonso's approaching marriage with the Austrian princess is well received in Spain and by the powers.

The Emperor of Austria has consented to arbitrate between Great Britain and Nicaragua respecting the differences arising out of the treaty of friendship commerce and navigation between those countries in 1860.

The principal part of the town of Irbit, on the Eastern border of the government of Perm, at the confluence of the Irbit and Nisa rivers, was destroyed by fire on Friday. The population of Irbit is about 3,500.

It is announced that Lord Beaconsfield will not dissolve Parliament at the usual time this year, because he thinks it is not advisable to let the Conservative members go to their homes until further developments shall furnish them with facts to be used in defence of his foreign policy. If the Afghan and South African troubles should be so happily terminated as now seems probable, a great deal of expected political capital will be lost to the Liberals.


☞ STIMULATE THE SLUGGISH KIDNEYS.—In addition to its tonic and cathartic properties, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters exercises a beneficial influence upon the kidneys and bladder, when they are inactive, by stimulating them to renewed exertion, thus reopening, as it were, a sluice for the escape of impurities whose regular channel of exit is the organs of urination. Among these are certain abnormal and inflammatory elements, productive of irreparable injury to the system if not entirely expelled. The kidneys and bladder themselves are also benefitted by this stimulus, as their inactivity is usually a preliminary to their disease and disorganization. They also experience, in common with other portions of he system, the potent invigorative effects of the Bitters, which furthermore corrects disordered conditions of the stomach, bowels and liver.

Colored Silks at 55c, 65c, 75c and $1, and Black Silks at 65c, 75c, 87c, $1, up to $3. Our $1 and $1.25 Black Silks are "special bargains." Black Crepe and Crepe Veils, Black Cashmere Shawls, beautiful Spring Dress Goods at 15c up to $1. Linen Lawns and Black Cashmeres, pure wool, at 50c, 62c and 75.
CARTER'S.
711 Market Space, Wash., D. C.


## FROM WASHINGTON.

*Special Correspondence of the Alexa. Gazette.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12, 1879.

The House to day consumed an hour and a quarter before it finally determined to omit from the Record a libald and insulting petition for an early adjournment of Congress, introduced during the hurry attending the hour of adjournment last Saturday, by Mr. McCoid, of Iowa. The morning hour having been reached the States and Territories were called for bills, and, under that call, a large number of bills on divers subjects were introduced. The call was interrupted by the reception of the President's veto message upon the bill to prevent the use of soldiers at the polls.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the legislative, judicial and executive appropriation bill.

The uncertainty about the result of the present session seems to be as great as ever. Some believe that the army bill will now be passed, and that the the legislative, judicial and executive bill will be either relieved of its political sections, or that a resolution continuing the present appropriations till next December will be adopted, while others are equally as confident that Congress will take no further notice of the army bill, but pass the legislative bill as reported and adjourn forthwith. Nothing definite is known, however, and a caucus will have to determine upon the course of action the democrats will pursue.

Among the petitions introduced through the petition box of the House to-day was one by Judge Harris from Mrs. Commodore Moore, praying for arrearages of pensions.

Among the bills introduced in the House to day was one similar to that recently introduced in the Senate by Mr. Johnston, authorizing the Supreme Court of the United States to decide the Arlington case.

Mr. Kellogg's desk in the Senate to-day was decorated with a bouquet made in the shape of a horseshoe, probably to keep away the democratic demon in the shape of Mr. Spofford, who is after Mr. K. with a sharp stick.

The House committee on the cattle disease have asked for more time to complete the bill they intend reporting.

A sub committee of the House Agriculture Committee is to investigate the alleged crooked doings of Commissioner Le Due.

The House Committee on Appropriations to morrow will consider the bill for the relief of the negros who have migrated from the South to Kansas.

The neat way in which Mr. Harris, of Virginia, got his bill for settling Judge Rives through both the Judiciary Committee of the House, and the House itself, last Saturday, before the radicals had "smelt the mice," is commented upon generally and favorably.

The Sunday Gazette of this city, conducted by Mr. G. C. Wedderburn, formerly of Alexandria, has gone into the illustration business, and its two last numbers show that it knows what it is about. The picture of last week represented the process of voting under the intimidation of soldiers at the polls, and conveyed at a glance all that had been said by the democrats in Congress in opposition to that system. The picture of yesterday illustrates the process of drawing U. S. jurors. Judge Hughes, who can not take the test oath, is presiding, and among the rejected are Postmaster General Key, Gen. Anderson, Jack Wharton, General Longstreet and Col. Mosby, while ignorant negro cotton field hands kiss the book with an almost audible smack and are accepted without objection.

It is said to day that not Gen. Kneipe, as heretofore stated, but a Mr. Albaugh, who is already and has been for some time past in possession of a government position is to be captain of the Capitol Police.

Rev. J. H. Davis, of the M. E. Church South, who entered the ministry in 1834, a brother in law of Representative Beale, of Westmoreland county, Virginia, died at his home in that county last Friday.

As an evidence of the easy and *gentlemanly* work required of persons in the Government's employ, I may state that most of the laborers engaged about the Capitol grounds do what they have to do with their coats on, and one of them to-day was raking up the grass cut by the lawn mowers with his hands encased in a nice looking pair of kid gloves.

The opposition on the Norfolk route is now so great that round trip tickets are sold for one dollar. Three boats are now on the line, the George Leary, the Lady of the Lake, and the Jane Mosely. On the 29th one of the steamers that formerly ran on the New York and Savannah route, one 1200 tons burden, and having 90 state rooms, will be put on the line between New York and this city, stopping at Alexandria, Norfolk, Cape May and Long Branch.

The fish trade of Washington like that of Alexandria is decreasing yearly, and old fishermen predict the early approach of the day when shad and herring will be as scarce in the Potomac as sharks. Now is the time for the fish to spawn, but the seins and gill nets are still in operation and destroying the young fish before they are hatched. In the olden time all the shad and herring fisheries on the river were stopped by the 10th of May. It is said that Messrs. Waller and Robb are the only two fishermen who made money this spring.

### Death of a Somnambulist.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 12.—At an early hour yesterday morning John T. Crisall, aged thirty-eight years, while in a fit of somnambulism, leaped or fell from the third story of his dwelling to the pavement below. He fell forty feet and crushed his skull. Crisall remained unconscious until last night, when death ensued.


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