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WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 9.

The President has announced his policy, and his Cabinet has been appointed and confirmed, and has entered upon the discharge of its duties. We can't see, therefore, why the Senate should not organize at once, confirm the other appointments that may be sent to it, and adjourn, so that its members may be allowed to return to their homes, from which they have been absent more than three months, and the country be permitted to enjoy a short period of congressional rest. As no legislative business can be transacted at an executive session, no real political advantage can be gained by delaying the organization, and as the Senate reorganizes its committees at the commencement of every session, regular or special, if the organization to be effected now prove objectionable it can be dissolved and reorganized when Congress shall convene in regular session, before either political party in it has been afforded even an opportunity to gain what the country will consider a benefit. The President knew when he made Mr. Hayes convene the executive session on the 4th inst., that Senator Carpenter was dead and that he was going to take three Senators into his Cabinet, so that there would be four vacancies on the republican side, but that knowledge did not deter him from having the Senate called, because he, nor any body else, could see why such a Senate should not be able to do the business of an executive session as well as one with a full complement of members, and the manner in which the democrats have treated his appointments, even those that were objectionable, such as that of Judge Hunt, shows that they also don't consider that an executive session has any legitimate possibilities for political advantages.

And so it seems that the action of the military committee of the executive committee of the Inauguration ceremonies, in wantonly insulting the people of the South, so far from being opposed to the prevailing sentiment of the people of Washington, as some of the papers of that city would have it appear, was just the reverse, for, at a meeting of that committee held last Monday night, Major Fedford said he desired to state, "that the actions of the committee were approved by twenty eight out of thirty members of the Executive committee." In view of this fact we don't think the Southern volunteer military companies who withdrew their acceptance of invitations to take part in the Inaugural procession will regret their action.

The Richmond Whig says:

"It is sad to see the numerous notices of emigrant parties moving from all parts of Virginia to other States. They are flying from Funderism and Bourbonism."

We don't see the Whig's logic, since it also says that the readjusters and Mahonites constitute a majority of the voters in the State. But such talk does the State great injury, while it can do no possible good. And then, too, so far as our State exchanges tell us, and certainly as shown by the recent census returns, vastly more people and capital are coming into the State than are going out of it.

The President says "offices were created not for the benefit of the incumbents or their supporters, but for the service of the government." If the policy indicated by this remark be made effective in all the branches of the government, about half the people one sees in Washington would "fold up their tents like the Arabs," but so far from "silently stealing away," would leave while the air was resonant, yea even blue with their imprecations upon the man through whose advice it was adopted.

We have become so accustomed during the last four years to apply the plain term of Mr. to the occupant of the White House, that we find it no easy matter to break that habit and call the present occupant of that mansion the President, to which distinction he is legitimately entitled.

We have received from the publishers, Chas. Scribner's Sons, New York, a copy of Seward's Chinese Immigration, a work generally accepted as the most valuable contribution to the discussion of this subject. It is handsomely printed and bound.

THE PHILADELPHIA RAILROAD PURCHASE. At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in Philadelphia yesterday, President Roberts announced that at midnight on Monday he had succeeded in securing a controlling interest in the stock of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad. The purchase was at once ratified by resolution and an issue of 400,000 shares authorized of the stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, to be used in securing the property in Baltimore. By this adroit stroke of diplomatic financiering the Pennsylvania Railroad secures at once a through line from New York to Washington. The news of this new purchase was unexpected, and caused some sensation. It had been understood that the syndicate represented by Mr. Robert Garrett and Mr. George G. Haven had already obtained control of the necessary number of shares to give them a majority interest in the road, but it now appears as if Mr. Thayer, of Boston, who is said to have contracted for the sale, must have engaged to supply more shares than he could deliver. The bargain between him and the syndicate has been represented as on the basis of $70 per share, but already, for several days, sales of the stock have been made in Philadelphia and Boston at $74 to $76.—*Balt. Sun.*

WHEN Hannibal Hamlin retired from the Senate on the 4th of March, there was no longer left in that body a single Senator or person who belonged to it when Clay, Webster, Calhoun, Cass, Benton, Mason, Hunter, and Seward were leaders.

General and Mrs. Grant called at the Executive Mansion yesterday, remaing about three-quarters of an hour. They breakfasted with the President and Mrs. Garfield this morning.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Simon Cameron, with his friends, celebrated his eighty-second birthday at Havanna yesterday. Captain General Blanco has extended to him the freedom of the island and distinguished him with other marks of respect.

The snow blockade in the West and Northwest is nearly over, and regular time is being made on most of the roads. The first train arrived at Fort Pierre, Dakota, yesterday for forty days.

Judge J. W. McDill has been appointed United States Senator from Iowa by the governor of that state to succeed Secretary of the Interior Kirkwood. Judge McDill was a member of the Forty-third and Forty-fourth Congresses.

Mr. Frye, of Maine, was yesterday unanimously nominated by the Republican members of the legislature for United States senator, to succeed Secretary Blaine. The Fusionists held a caucus, but were unable to settle on a candidate, Governor Plaisted leading in the race.

As successor to the seat of Mr. Kirkwood in the United States Senate from Iowa the names of Jamet F. Wilson, United States Attorney Lane, State Senator Hubard, S. M. Clark, Judge Cole and United States Marshal John Chapman are most favorably mentioned.

The Michigan Democratic State Convention was held yesterday at Lansing, and, although a large element favored a fusion with the Greenbackers, a straightout Democratic ticket was nominated. The resolutions adopted condemn the vetoing of the Funding bill.

In the course of some remarks at Pittsburg the other day, Mr. Hayes expressed his satisfaction at the composition of the new cabinet, and declared that the inauguration speech of President Garfield was one of the grandest ever delivered. When asked whether he was glad to be rid of the cares of office, the confessed that he was not "particulary" glad.

In the first branch of the Baltimore City Council Monday evening a special committee appointed to investigate charges against Dr. J. D. Fiske, member for the First Ward, in having attempted first to extort $100 and afterward $500 from George W. Griffin for procuring the passage of an ordinance to permit said Graffiin to build a pier in the harbor, reported that the charge was sustained, and Fiske was expelled from the body by the unanimous vote of his associates.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The total number of deaths by the Ischia earthquake is now estimated at 300.

The Liverpool Post is informed that President Garfield has requested Hon. John Russell Lowel to remain minister to England.

The Turkish delegates and the European ambassadors held their second session on the Greek frontier question in Constantinople Monday.

It has been discovered that forged telegrams have been sent to the London Board of Trade from Liverpool about diseased American pork. The matter will be investigated by the police.

The first arrest under the Irish coercion act is that of Joseph B. Walsh, of Castlebar, a merchant, identified with the land leaguers. A number of other land leaguers were arrested in county Kerry, West Cork, county Clare and elsewhere. Among them is Michel P. Boyton, who claims the protection of the United States on the ground that he is an American citizen, but who was nevertheless locked up. Mr. O'Donnell was suspended from the House of Commons last night for disregarding the ruling of the Chair during the discussion of the arms bill. The third and fourth clauses of the Arms bill were adopted by the House after determined efforts at obstructions by Home Rulers.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mr. Charles T. Wortham, one of the oldest and most esteemed merchants of Richmond, died yesterday morning aged 88 years.

Clarence H. Clarke and other members of the syndicate which recently purchased the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio Railroad are now on a visit of inspection over the entire length of their purchase.

Howard Dunn, who killed Jasper Reed, colored, and stabbed several other negros in a row at Smithville December 24, was found not guilty in the County Court at Hampton yesterday, and was released.

The jury in the case of Anthony Briggs, of Norfolk, who sued the superintendent of the penitentiary in the Circuit Court of Richmond, for $3,000, for detaining the plaintiff in the State prison beyond the limit of his term, yesterday, brought in a verdict for defendant.

Two bench warrants were issued by the Police Justice of Richmond yesterday for the arrest of J. T. Keesee, the defaulting bookkeeper of the National Bank of Virginia, one charging embezzlement and the other grand larceny. The warrants were sent to the residence of Keesee, but he could not be found. The most reliable information received was that he left the city last Friday night.

The Late Henry W. Febrey.

FALLS CHURCH, Va., March 8.—To day was laid away among his relatives, in the Chapel ground, the remains of Henry W. Febrey, of Alexandria county, Va., who, upon the 5th inst., after a severe and agonizing struggle, sustained with a manly and Christian fortitude, departed this life. In the death of Mr. Febrey Alexandria Co. loses one of her best citizens, a kind husband and father, and an honest, upright and conscientious neighbor. An earnest, though unostentatious Christian, he guaged his life by the eleventh commandment, and if he erred at all, erred against himself, content rather to suffer wrong than to inflict wrong upon another. Having the entire confidence of the community, his advice and experience was ever free to the many who sought to avail themselves thereof. While his entire freedom from personal ambition kept him from seeking or accepting positions of political prominence, even when offered and pressed upon him, he was a willing public servant in local positions of responsibility. He was under the old regime one of the justices of the County Court for Alexandria county, in which his freedom from bias rendered his opinions valuable, and he has for a number of years been one of the school trustees of his district, in which the interests of education have been well sustained. He leaves a widow and seven children, death having come to him first in a large family, the circle of which, from its origin, has never been broken thereby till this time. DEP.

ADVICE TO YOUNG AUTHORS.—Mark Twain said this afternoon, in a few words I had with him, that he had cut of his last book, "A Tramp Abroad," $40,000, and out of his lectures and plays, in addition to his books, enough to bring the whole aggregate up to $250,000. He said that the sum ought to have been over $400,000 and that he just now discovered that he had printed his books on a false basis; that he ought to have published the book himself, and paid his publishers a percentage for selling them, instead of letting them pay him a percentage for writing them. He said he had written a novel, and was preparing the plates himself and meant to put it out by hiring the publishers, instead of being hired; and that all writers ought to take that position—that the book publisher was the hireling and not the author—and thus many of our young men who have written well and hard, would have been in independent circumstances long ago. He said the American copyright laws were of little use to authors.—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Correspondence of the Alexa. Gazette

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9, 1881.

The session of the Senate again to day was exceedingly short. Soon after it commenced the President's Secretary appeared with a list of appointments. The Senate went immediately into executive session, during which Messrs. Evarts, Thurman and Howe were confirmed as the American members of the International Monetary Conference to be held in Paris; Lot M. Morrill as Collector of Customs at Portland; D. A. McClung as Surveyor of Customs at Cincinnati, and J. W. Green as Collector of Internal Revenue for one of the Iowa districts. The other nominations were laid on the table to await the organization of the Senate committees, to which, under the rules, they will be referred. The Senate then adjourned.

Among the most important nominations sent to the Senate to day were L. P. Morton to be U. S. Minister to France, and Robert S. Taylor as member of the Mississippi River Commission.

The nomination of Mr. Thurman as a member of the Monetary Commission is considered by the democrats as a graceful act on the part of the President, and is by no no means objectionable to reputable republicans. The salary of the members is $5,000, and each of them is allowed a secretary with a salary of $3,000.

Both parties in the Senate held a caucus today, the democrats to receive the report of their committee on the reorganization of the committees, and the republicans to determine what to do when they shall be asked to name the members of the minorities of the committees. It is the current rumor to day that the republicans will agree to accept the situation, name the minorities, and thus allow the appointments to be acted upon, and the session to be brought to an early termination, with the intention, however, of urging upon the President the necessity of convening an extra session of Congress about the 15th of May or the 1st of June.

Messrs. Jorgensen and Dezendorf, of Virginia, and eight other Southern republican members of Congress, called upon the President yesterday afternoon, and made urgent complaint of the treatment their party had received at the hands of previous republican administrations, and threatened that unless a different course was pursued by the present one they would organize a separate party in the next House, hoist an independent flag, and place their support and influence where they would do their party the most good. The President heard them with evident impatience, and told them that they must formulate their alleged grievances in writing, and that when that was done he would give the subject the consideration it deserved.

The Yorktown commission has agreed, at the suggestion of John G. Whittier, who declined the invitation, to invite Paul H. Hayne, of South Carolina, to compose an ode for the Yorktown centential, to be set to music, and rendered by vocalists dressed in continental costume. The ode, it is hoped, will be adopted as another national anthem.

Gen. Mahone informed the Gazette's correspondent this morning that he had learned for the first time through his letters that the cloak rooms of the Senate were designated as republican or democratic according to the side of the chamber upon which they were respectively situated, but that now, as he had learned that fact, he intended to get a peg in the democratic room, so as to have one in each.

Attorney General Field, of Virginia, was in the Supreme Court to day to appear in the case of Weber vs. the Commonwealth of Virginia, which involves the question of the right of Virginia to tax agents for the sale of patented machines. As it is not probable, however, that this case will be reached this week, Gen. Field will return to Richmond to night, as he has cases before the Circuit Court of that city and the Court of Appeals.

Among the applicants for the postmastership of Richmond is Mr. Henley, of King William county, Va., who is a nephew of R. Y. Henley, who married a daughter of Alexandria Campbell, who founded the religious sect of which the President is a distinguished members.

The affairs in the office of ex Senator Lewis, U. S. Marshal of the Western District of Virginia, according to the report made at the Department of Justice, are in anything but a favorable condition. The report says that one deputy marshal issued five hundred warrants of arrest on false charges, and made them returnable at remote points; that others upon false representations would induce people to give them drinks, and then would insist upon paying them, and if they refused to accept the money leave it in their houses, and immediately go off and inform on them as selling liquor without license; it also accuses Sheffey Lewis, a son of the ex Senator, of making fraudulent returns. If this were a legislative instead of an executive session of the Senate, the attention of Congress would be called to this matter.

It is not definitely known whether Colonel Mosby is on his way home or not. If he is, he will be here about the 21st inst. His furlough was made conditional upon the notification of its acceptance, and this notification has not been received at the State Department. It is rumored that Mr. Evarts wanted the notification in order to put a consular agent in charge of the Colonel's consulate, though the latter had a vice consul to take his place.

At the request of several passengers on the Alexandria ferry boats to day the Gazette's correspondent calls the attention of the efficient Superintendent of the Potomac Ferry Company to the leaky condition of the hurricane decks of of that company's boats.

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS YESTERDAY. Piedmont and Arlington Life Insurance Company vs. McAuley. Appeal refused to a decree of the Chancery Court of the city of Richmond.

Tredway vs. Vicsillio & Haden. Appeal refused to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pittsylvania county.

Christian vs. Commonwealth. Dismissed.

Law vs. Commonwealth. Argued by O. G. Clay for plaintiff in error and submitted.

Magee and Wood vs. Roanoke Navigation Company. Argued by Judge J. A. Meredith for appellants and W. W. Henry, esq., for appellee and submitted.

THE coroner's jury at Washington which investigated the cause of Saturday's accident on the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad, found that it was due to disobedience of orders on the part of the engineer and conductor on the South bound train. The chief offender, paid the penalty of his blunder with his.

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mar7 D. F. BRASHEAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPH NEWS

M. E. Church South Conference.

[Special dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.]

HARRISONBURG, VA., March 9.—The Conference of the M. E. Church South convened here to day and was organized at 9 a. m. In the absence of the Bishop, Rev. A. W. Wilson, D. D., was chosen chairman.

There is a very full attendance of delegates, clerical and lay. After the usual religious exercises, the regular business of the Conference was entered upon.

Emigration from Germany.

LONDON, Mar. 9.—The correspondent of the Times at Berlin comments on the great increase in the emigration to the United States and says: Whole villages are described by local papers as migrating from Posen, Prussia proper and Schleswig. American emigration agents, however, hardly dare set forth the advantages of the various States, which they represent, as they are warned by the American legation that it would be unable to help them if they should get into trouble with the authorities. Mr. Wrandel, an American citizen of Hungarian extraction, who two years ago was forbidden to lecture in Berlin on "Emigration" has just been equally successful on a second visit, designed to persuade the authorities of the folly of the impeding immigration. It appears, however, that the precautions against the exodus of young men have somewhat abated in South Germany. The German government aims to divert immigration from the United States.

Proceedings of the Senate To-day.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9, 1881.—The Senate convened at 12 m.

A telegram from the Governor of Iowa was read, announcing the appointment of J. W. McDill to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Kirkwood.

At 12:20 a message from the President was read, and,

On motion of Senator Pendleton, of Ohio, the Senate went into executive session.

Upon the reopening of the doors the Senate, at 12:45, adjourned until 12 m. to morrow.

Confirmations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The Senate in executive session to day confirmed the nominations of Evarts, Thurman, and Howe, Commissioners to the International Monetary Conference at Paris.

Lot M. Morrill to be Collector of Customs at Portland, Maine.

D. D. McClung, Surveyor of Customs, Cincinnati.

Jno. W. Green, Collector of Internal Revenue 24 district of Iowa.

Cremating a Body.

WASHINGTON, Pa., March 9.—The body of Arthur Straboo was taken from the casket this morning without ceremony and wrapped in a sheet soaked in slum water. It was then laid in the iron crib, and at 9 o'clock was placed in the retort of the Lemoyne furnace. At 9 22 the furnace door was opened and revealed the body gradually wasting away. At 10 20 a. m. the head began to crumble, and three quarters of an hour later nothing remained but a few bones. At 11 30 the furnace was sealed up to cool, incineration being then regarded as complete.

Nominations.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to day: Levi P. Morton, of New York, envoy extraordinary and minister planipotentiary to France.

Wm. M. Evarts, of New York; Allen G. Thurman, of Ohio; Timothy O. Howe, of Wisconsin; Commissioners on the part of the U. S. to the international monetary conference at Paris.

President Garfield and Free Trade.

LONDON March 9.—The Daily Telegraph this morning says: We understand that President Garfield has lately written a letter to the Secretary of the Cobden Club in which, while expressing his inability for various patriotic reasons to carry out all the principles of the club, he approved of all possible ventilation of the subject of free trade in America.

Supposed Murder.

ROYALTON, VT., Mar. 9.—Last Saturday night the dwelling of Mrs. Levi Balknap, in East Barnard, Vt., was burned and her body was found in the ruins. There are said to be suspicious circumstances connected with the fire strongly indicating a murder. The case is undergoing investigation and it will probably lead to the arrest within a few days of one or more persons.

No War.

PLYMOUTH, Mar. 9.—The Western Morning News' correspondent at Cape Coast Castle telegraphs as follows: All apprehensions of an Ashantee war have ceased. The King has sent a reply saying that he desires peace. He asks the delivery of fugitives, but asserts that he never intended to make war and is sorry that his first message was so understood.

Rescued.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The steamship Erin, which arrived to day from Liverpool, reports having on March 3rd, rescued the crew of the steamer Drumduff, bound from Philadelphia for Antwerp, and in a sinking condition.

Forger and Defaulter.

BURLINGTON, Vt., March 9.—Henry W. Mason, managing partner of the firm of Henry W. Mason & Co., Winooski, Vt., is reported to be a forger and defaulter to the amount, it is rumored, of $4,000. He has absconded.

Fire.

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 9.—A fire is now burning at the Belmont Oil Works. The canning house, stables, four dwellings of workmen and the agitator have been destroyed. Loss $75,000.

Financial.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—The Secretary of the Treasury has just accepted five million dollars of sixes at the lowest rate offered, being at an average of about 101 (exclusive of interest.

At 12:30 o'clock to day, Secretary Windom said it was utterly impossible to say exactly when he would be able to render a decision on the recent application of the National Banks to withdraw the "lawful money" deposited for retiring their circulation upon the re depositing of U. S. bonds. He added, that the matter was in such shape, that a decision was possible at any moment. Further than this, he could not talk about it. The Secretary said during the conversation, that he fully realized the great importance of the question, and that he was most anxious to decide it at the earliest possible moment. There is considerable speculation throughout the department as to what the decision will be, but there is absolutely no ground for forming an opinion as to what the decision will be inasmuch as the matter is entirely in the hands of the Secretary. It will be made public as soon as it is decided. Comptroller of the Currency Knox said, this morning, that there never had been a ruling of the department on the question, while other officers of the Treasury maintain that ex Secretary Bristow orrally decided against the surrender of lawful money which had been deposited for the withdrawal of National Bank circulation.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—There were 19 proposals to sell bonds to the government to day, aggregating $14,483,350 at 100. 75 to 101. 53 for 5's; and at 102 to 102; 47 for 6s.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The Post's financial article says: The stock exchange markets were as nearly dormant as possible until the assistant treasurer opened the offers to sell bonds to the treasury. The speculative markets then became active and strong, and stocks have advanced ½ a2 per cent. U. S. bonds are ½ higher for the 5s and 6s, and unchanged for the 4s and 4½s; R. R. bonds are irregular, but generally higher, the advance ranging from ¼a1½; the notable exception was Ohio Central income, which fell to 63, from 65. In the stock market, the strongest stocks have advanced to the following figures: D. L. & W. to 130¾; Delaware and Hudson, to 115; Union Pacific, to 123¾; Iron Mountain, to 64¾; Lake Shore, to 126½; Cincinnati Sandusky and Cleveland, to 56½; Texas and Pacific, to 58; Milwaukee and St. Paul, to 111⅛; Erie, to 49; and Northern Pacific, to 50¼ and 75½. In the money market 6 per cent. is the ruling rate.

The Markets.

BALTIMORE, Mar. 9.—Virginia 6s old —; do deferred 15; do consolidated 82¼; do 2d series 33; past due coupons 93¼; new 10.40s 52¼; 10.40 coupon 94¾ bid to-day. Cotton dull and lower; middling 11⅛. Flour steady; Howard st and Western super 3 25a$4; do extra 4 25a$5; do family 5 25a$6 25; City Mills super 3 25a$4; do extra 4 25a$5; do family 6 25a$6 50; do Rio brands 6a$6 25; Patapsco family $7. Wheat—Southern firm; Western firmer; Southern red 118a120; do amber 120a125; No 1 Maryland 122½; No 2 Western winter red spot and March 117½a117¾; April 118a118¼; May 118¼a118½; June 117¾a118. Corn—Southern higher and firm; Western higher and strong; Southern white 57; do yellow 57½a57¾; Western mixed spot 58; March 58¾; April 54⅝a54¾; May 53¾a54; steamer 53½a54. Oats quiet and firm; Western white 44a46; do mixed 43a44. Rye higher and wanted at 105 a103. Hay steady; prime to choice Penna and Maryland 18a$19. Coffee higher and strong; Rio cargoes ordinary to fair 10½a12¼. Sugar strong; A soft 9¼. Whiskey quiet at 1 12½a1 13

NEW YORK, Mar. 9.—Stocks steady. Money 6. Flour quiet. Wheat quiet. Corn quiet.

OFFICIAL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen held March 8, 1881, there were present: E. E. Downham, esq., President, Messrs. C. C. Smoot, Moore, Marbury, Strauss, Bisheill, and Reid.

The Committee on Light reported in favor of allowing the Reform club the free use of gas up to March 15th instant, which was adopted.

The Committee on Poor made a report of the number of inmates at the Alms House, their age, nativity, &c., which was received and read.

The Committee on Public Property reported in favor of placing two tanks in the Station House for the purpose of flushing the drains, which was laid over until the next meeting.

The Committee on Public Property reported in favor of removing the Hay Scales to Market Alley, and appropriating $50 to pay the expense of removal, which report was adopted.

A bill of Desmond & Clifford vs. L. Gentzberger, $10.21 for paving alley, was ordered to be paid, and the Auditor instructed to place the bill in the hands of the collector for settlement.

A bill of J. Entwisle, jr., $39.96, for medicine, was ordered to be paid.

A bill of W. H. Smith, $94.75 for coal; also annual report of Fire Wardens; also petition of sundry citizens for a walk on the East side of Fairfax, between Franklin and Jefferson streets; also a petition of M. Ruben for a lamp post in front of his premises on Fairfax street; also a resolution of thanks to the Fire Wardens were received from the Common Council and their action concurred in.

The Common Council returned the report of the Committee on Poor recommitting it for further information, which action was non-concurred in, and the whole matter referred to the Mayor.

An act, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating drinks, tobacco, segars, or other articles of merchandise on the Sabbath day was received from the Common Council, their action non-concurred in, and the act referred to the Committee on General Laws.

The Common Council returned the Sunday law, adhering to their action and asking for a committee of conference which was granted, and Messrs. Strauss and Bisheill appointed on the part of this Board, which committee could not agree.

The Board then adjourned.

Teste: JNO. J. JAMIESON, Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the city of Alexandria, held March 8th, 1881, there were present: James T. Beckham, esq., President, and Messrs. Harmon, Nowland, Ficklin, Eichberg, Smith, Douglass, McLean, Javins and Peake.

Mr. Peake, Chairman of the Committee on General Laws, reported a failure to agree upon and report an act, as requested by the resolution of January 25th, 1881, for a Sunday law, or upon the acts prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, &c., on the Sabbath day, referred February 8th, 1881, which report was accepted.

Mr. Peake then offered an act entitled "an act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, tobacco, cigars or other articles of merchandise on the Sabbath day," which being read for the first and second times,

Mr. Eichberg raised the point of order that it being introduced for the first time, required twelve votes for its passage, and could not be passed for the want of that number present.

The Chair overruled the point raised, from which Mr. Eichberg appealed to the Board and the Chair was sustained in its ruling by the following vote, viz: Ayes, Messrs. Harmon, Nowland, Douglass, McLean, Javins and Peake—6. Noes, Messrs. Ficklin, Eichberg and Smith—3. The said act was then read the third time and passed by the following vote, viz: Ayes, Messrs Harmon, Nowland, Ficklin, Eichberg, Smith, Douglass, McLean, Javins, Peake and Mr. President—10. Noes none. And the Board of Aldermen non concurring, the same was returned to this Board, its former action adhered to and a committee of conference asked, and Messrs. Peake and Douglass appointed thereon from this Board, who reported a failure of the conference committee to agree. The former action of this Board was then receded from and the action of the Board of Aldermen concurred in.

The report of the Fire Wardens for the fiscal year ending March 1st, 1881, was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Harmon offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of the City Council be extended to the Board of Fire Wardens for the faithful and satisfactory manner in which they have discharged the duties pertaining to their office.

A bill of Wm. H. Smith, City Sergeant, for fuel, amounting to $94 75, was referred to the Committee on Public Property.

The petition of M. Ruben, for permission to erect a gas lamp in front of his premises on Fairfax street, between King and Cameron streets, was referred to the Committee on Light.

The petition of Samuel English and others, to have made, a sidewalk, on the East side of Fairfax street, between Franklin and Jefferson streets, and a resolution directing the Superintendent of Police to have repaired, the footway between Wolfe and Wilkes streets, were referred to the Committee on Streets.

The report of the Committee on Poor in obedience to the resolution of February 23d, 1881, for information as to the number, age, nativity, &c., of the present inmates of the Alms House, was received from the Board of Aldermen, their action in adopting said report non concurred in, and the said report recommitted for information as to the residence of the inmates at the date of committal, and the Board of Aldermen non concurring and having referred the matter to the Mayor, the same was returned to this Board, its former action receded from and that of the Board of Aldermen concurred in.

The following were received from the Board of Aldermen and their action thereon concurred in, viz: Resolution reported by the Committee on Light granting the Alexandria Reform Club the free use of gas to March 15, 1881; report of Committee on Public Property recommending the removal of the hay scales from the present location to Market alley and the appropriation of $50 th refor; bill of J. Entwisle, jr., Dispenser of Medicines, amounting to $39 96, and a report of the Committee on Streets recommending the payment of a bill of Desmond & Clifford for paving, amounting to $10 81, and directing the bill to be placed in the hands of the Collector of Taxes for collection.

The Board then adjourned.

Teste: JAMES R. CATON, Clerk.

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Flour, Fine	$3 75	@	4 00
Superfine	5 00	@	0 00
Extra	5 25	@	5 75
Family	6 00	@	6 25
Fancy brands	6 75	@	7 00
Wheat, common to fair	1 00	@	1 10
Good to prime	1 10	@	1 15
Choice	1 20	@	1 24
Corn, white	0 54	@	0 55
Mixed	0 53	@	0 54
Yellow	0 54	@	0 55
Corn Meal	0 52	@	0 55
Buckwheat	2 25	@	2 50
Rye	0 90	@	0 95
Oats	0 47	@	0 48
Butter, prime	0 20	@	0 21
Common to middling	0 10	@	0 15
Eggs	0 14	@	0 15
Chickens, per doz	3 00	@	4 00
Dressed Turkies	0 12	@	0 13
Dressed Hogs	0 7	@	0 7½
Potatoes per bushel	0 65	@	0 70
Sweet Potatoes per bbl	2 00	@	2 25
Onions, per bush	1 25	@	1 50
Apples	2 25	@	2 50
Dried Peaches, peeled	0 8	@	0 11
Unpeeled	0 4	@	0 5
Dried Apples	0 4	@	0 6
Dried Cherries	0 15	@	0 16
Bacon, Hams, country	0 10	@	0 11
Best sugar cured Hams	0 12	@	0 12½
Butchers' Hams	0 11	@	0 12
Sides	0 9½	@	0 9¾
Shoulders	0 7	@	0 7½
Lard	0 10	@	0 11½
Veal Calves	0 5	@	0 5½
Herring, Eastern, per bbl	4 00	@	4 50
Shad Roe per kit	2 75	@	3 00
Plaster, ground, per ton	4 50	@	5 00
Ground, in bags	5 75	@	6 00
Lump	3 00	@	0 00
Clover Seed	5 25	@	5 50
Timothy	3 10	@	3 35
Salt, G. A. (Liverpool)	0 95	@	1 00
Fine	1 50	@	1 55
Turk's Island	0 45	@	0 55
Wool, long unwashed	0 30	@	0 32
Washed	0 40	@	0 42
Merino, unwashed	0 29	@	0 31
Do. washed	0 40	@	0 42
Sumac	0 75	@	0 00
Hay	18 00	@	20 00
Wheat Bran per ton	18 50	@	19 00
Brown Middlings	19 00	@	20 00
White Middlings	22 @	00	23 00

The market continues active and firm. Flour is steady at quotations. The receipts of Wheat are light, and we note sales of Fultz at 112 and 117, and of mixed at 118 and 120; no Lancaster was offered. Corn has again advanced, and sales were made to-day at 54 and 55. One small lot of Oats brought 48. Country produce is a shade higher. Other articles quiet at quotations.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA.

MINIATURE ALMANAC, MARCH 9, 1881.

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Str Jane Moseley, Norfolk, to F A Reed.
Str Mattano, lower Pot'c, to J Broders & Co.

CLEARED.

Str Jane Moseley, Norfolk, by F A Reed.
Str T V Arrowsmith, lower Potomac, by Potomac Ferry Company.

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's office of the Corporation Court of the city of Alexandria, on the 8th day of March, 1881.

Strother Morton and his wife, Rebecca Morton, suing for themselves and all other creditors of George P. Chapman, deceased, complainants, against Charles P. Chapman, Emma Powell, Hollins Powell, Charles Chinn, George P. Douglass, Roberta Hamm, John Hamm, Harriet B Douglass, Eubasia F. Douglass, Thomas E. Douglass, Clinton F. Douglass, Abel Douglass, W. H. Smith, Sergeant, and administrator of George P. Chapman, deceased, and Mary E. Chapman, defendants. In chancery.

Memo. The object of this suit is to procure a sale of the real estate of which George P. Chapman died seized and possessed, to pay the debts due add owing by said decedent.

The defendants, Harriet B. Douglass, Eubasia F. Douglass, Thomas E. Douglass, Clinton F. Douglass, Abel Douglass and Mary E. Chapman, not having entered their appearance and given security according to the act of Assembly and the rules of this Court, and it appearing by an affidavit that they are not residents of this State, it is ordered that the said defendants appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit; and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court House of this city.

MORTON MARYE, Clerk.

John M. Johnson, p. q. mb9-w4w

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SEALED PROPOSALS addressed to the undersigned will be received at the Auditor's office until 12 o'clock m., on SATURDAY, the 19th of March, 1881, for ERECTING A BUILDING to be used for the Columbia Steam Fire Engine Company, in the city of Alexandria, according to the plans and specifications, which will be exhibited on application to the undersigned, at his office corner of Fairfax and Queen streets at which time the terms of payment will be made known.

The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. THOMAS V. BISHEILL,
mar8-td Ch'm.