



ALEXANDRIA. SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY 14.

THE PRESENT administration was elected by the votes of the Southern States and commenced its career as a national, not a sectional administration. But its expressed intention of winning more Northern States, and its efforts in that direction, have induced it to do things that have caused many of its once best friends, in the section from which come democratic electoral votes, to doubt its nationality. Its revocation of Southern commissions on account of letters written by the holders thereof during the war, the rules in the Postoffice Department by which no ex Confederate holding a minor position in that department can be promoted, the rules of the civil service commission—not the civil service law—by which all ex Confederates are excluded from the classified positions in the civil service, the revocation of the order to return Southern flags at the presumptuous demand of a sectional organization known as the G. A. R., and the substitution of Northern for Southern men in the few important places that had been given to the latter, are a few of the things referred to, and the effect they have produced is, as may be readily imagined, by no means conducive to the increased strength of the democratic party in the States where democratic votes carry elections.

It is reported from Washington that the appropriations committee of the House, of which Mr. Randall is chairman, will make even a smaller appropriation for coast defenses this, than it did last year. It is hoped this report may be true. Sea defenses are entirely unnecessary, as no nation with good sense will ever attempt to land troops on the coast of this country. But were it otherwise, to defend the whole of the immense coast would be utterly impossible, and to leave any of it undefended would be to throw away the money that had been expended in defending the other parts, as a line of defence, like a bridge, is only as strong as its weakest part.

It now looks as if such political capital as can be made out of the Boutelle resolution respecting "rebel" flags, will, contrary to the intention of its South-hating author, be democratic, and not republican, as it can be shown that many of the captured flags in the War Department were Northern flags that had been taken by the Confederates, and that several of that sort have been sent to Northern States; that the order for taking the "rebel" flags down and boxing them up was issued by a no less prominent republican than ex Secretary Lincoln, and that none of them have been returned to the South.

It is now reported that the President is by no means pleased at the recent request of the Senate for the reports of the Pacific Railway Commission, being disposed to look upon it as an implied imputation upon his diligence in the execution of his official duties. He has delayed sending in those reports, to be sure, but it is hoped that delay is caused by the preparation of a message recommending the adoption of the minority report—that of ex Governor Patison, which advises a forfeiture of the charters of the Union and Central Pacific Railroads.

THE DEMOCRATIC legislature doesn't agree with the wise recommendations of the democratic Governor. Recently it rejected his excellent advice to suspend proceedings in the coupon cases until the bondholders could be heard from, and now it does the same with his recommendation for the establishment of an institution for the reformation of young criminals, and this, too, though should the repudiating measures it has adopted prove successful, the State will have more money than she needs for her legitimate expenses.

AT FIRST there were only three even nominal Southern men in the present Cabinet; now there are but two, one of whom only remains to live down a scandal, and the associations of the other are almost entirely Northern. And now, also, the Mexican Mission, which was one of the few given to the South, like the Cabinet position referred to, and like that of the Assistant Secretary of State, has been given to a Northern man. Such a policy may lose democratic States in the South; it cannot possibly gain any in the North.

THE LEGISLATURE, apparently having nothing else to do, though the most important interest of the State, her debt settlement, demands urgent and immediate consideration, spends most of its time in "instructing our Senators and requesting our representatives in Congress," respecting their duties as national legislators, thereby implying that the Virginia congressmen are unaware of the requirements of their own constituents.

SENATOR JOE BROWN, of Georgia, did more than any other Southern man to weaken the Confederate cause. He is now trying to weaken the democratic party by his efforts to induce members of that party to repudiate its cardinal principle of low tariff, and to adopt the republican principle of a high or protective tariff.

Saint Augustine's immense hotel, the Ponce de Leon, and its annex, the Alcazar, at Saint Augustine, Fla., were formally opened Thursday. The outer line of the walls of the principal structure is exactly one mile in length, and its parlors cover one-quarter of an acre. The buildings are of Moorish architecture.

From Washington. (Special Correspondence of the ALEX. GAZETTE.) WASHINGTON, D. C. Jan. 14, 1888

The following petitions have been presented in the House by the Virginia members: Mr. Gaines, to refer the claim of Mrs. Martha Cook, of Prince George's county, to the Court of Claims; Mr. O'Ferrall, a similar petition with reference to the claims of W. C. Harrison, of Rockingham county, and T. O. Windham, of Clarke county. The following petitions for increasing the salaries of 3d and 4th class postmasters were presented: Mr. Browne, of Accomac, that of S. B. Chapman and others of Gloucester, T. C. Tull and others of Accomac, J. C. Burton, C. Tull and others of Queen county, and Marlborough, of Baldwin and others of Westmoreland county; Mr. Gaines, of J. G. Richards, A. A. Roberts and 254 other citizens of the 4th Congressional district of Virginia; Mr. O'Ferrall, of citizens of Happy Green, Warren county; and Bagley, Green creek; Mr. Yost, of citizens and others of Snake River, Alleghany co. and Valley Station, Highland county; Mr. Bowden, of citizens of Shilarton, Southampton county; Mr. Brown, of the Danville district, of citizens of Ludlow, O'Neil, and Beauford, Floyd county, More's Mill and Stanley, Henry co., Morotock, Pittsylvania co., Meadows of Dan and Farklin, Patrick county, of Cabell, Carroll county, Junta, Red Plains and Guizot, Franklin county, and of Fallville, Grayson county; Mr. O'Ferrall presented the petition of Rohr & Bros. and others for the removal of the tax on salt.

The Senate Committee on the District of Columbia met this morning. Both the Senators from Virginia and one from West Virginia are members of this committee. The entire session was consumed in the preparation of various bills relating to the railroads entering this city. The idea of tunneling Capitol Hill has been practically abandoned. One of the bills provides for the removal of the 6th street depot and for the appointment of a jury to condemn that depot and select a site for a Union depot, and, if that be not done, to remove the depot of the B. & O. R. R. and to allow that road to run its track to the 6th street depot.

Ex Senator Lewis, of Virginia, is quite ill at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. J. Ambler Smith, in this city.

It is the prevailing belief at the Capitol to-day that the Lamar case will be considered by the Senate on Monday, that it will be definitely determined then, that Mr. Lamar will be confirmed, and that certainly two republicans, Messrs. Biddleberger and Stuart, will vote for him, and possibly Mr. Stanford.

At the meeting of the Virginia democratic association of this city last night the proposal to tender Senator Barbour a banquet was withdrawn at that gentleman's request. The meeting was treated to an able and eloquent address by Mr. H. Byrd Lewis, of Westmoreland county, Va., now a member of the bar of this city.

In the House yesterday Mr. Gaines of Virginia, from the committee on War Claims made a favorable report on the bill for the relief of Mrs. P. L. Ward, of Virginia. Mr. Browne of Virginia, presented the following petitions: Of Bale Bros. and others for the improvement of Nomin Creek, Va. and of Moses B. Smart of Augusta county, for reference of his claim to the Court of Claims. Mr. Bowden, for granting the claim of S. C. Hill of Frederick county, Va. Mr. Yost, of Eskle & Jones and others for the repeal of the duty on salt. Mr. Browne, of the Accomac county, Va., district, presented petitions of G. M. Crittenden and others, and E. S. Vaughn and others of Middlesex county, and of W. L. Smith and others of Caroline county, for increasing the salary of 3rd and 4th class postmasters. Mr. Brown of the Danville district presented similar petitions from citizens of Gambetta, Carroll county, Va., and of Charity and Woolwine, Patrick county, Va. Mr. Lee introduced a bill for the relief of Mary E. Bivins, and Mr. Yost, one granting an increase of pensions to D. L. Pool.

From conversations with the members of the House Ways and Means Committee it seems pretty certain that the revenue bill to be reported by that committee will make no change in the liquor tax; will remove the tax on raw tobacco; will increase the number of articles on the free list, and that its spirit and letter will be in favor of removing or reducing the tax on the necessities of life and of retaining them on luxuries.

The House Elections Committee met to-day and considered the contested election case of Thoebe vs. Carlisle. Mr. Hallam, Mr. Carlisle's law partner, presented affidavits which completely and conclusively refuted those that had been offered by the contestant, and, with regard to the latter's memorials, stated that if the committee would consider memorials he would in a short time flood the committee room with them. The most amusing development was a letter of Sypher, Thoebe's counsel, to a letter leader in this city, vaunting his own ability and power, saying that the protectionists would supply all the money that might be required for this contest, and that with the protectionists of the East and the labor men of Kentucky and the West, Carlisle would soon be clean gone forever, or words to that effect.

David W. Siberts has been appointed a storekeeper in Shenandoah county, Va.

Among the strangers in the city yesterday was John Brown, the famous New York terror, who came on to take the President's measure for several suits of clothes.

Even the friends of the Blair bill now say that it will pass the Senate by a smaller vote than it did last year, and that its defeat in the House is certain.

NEWS OF THE DAY. Mr. Robert Garrett and his party have just arrived at Yokohama, Japan.

The mother of the late President Garfield is dying at her home at Mentor, Ohio.

Bills have been introduced in Congress making important changes in the course of study at the United States Naval Academy.

Owing to the bad weather yesterday Bishop Keane did not go to Washington to select the site for the Catholic University.

Letters from Richmond. (Special Cor. of the ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.) RICHMOND, Jan. 12.—The sub-committee appointed to go to Clifton Forge and take evidence in the McClintock contested election case returned last night. They examined about forty witnesses who seemed to be divided upon the question whether McClintock really resides in Bath or has his legal home in Botetourt where his wife resides.

Mr. Moore, of Patrick, is chairman of the sub-committee and the other members are Dr. Simpson, of Fairfax, and Judge Bristow, of Middlesex. A very amusing incident occurred while the committee were examining witnesses Tuesday night. The knights of labor hall at Clifton Forge, where the examination was conducted, is a large frame structure, capable of holding nearly two hundred persons. The room was crowded and Dr. Simpson, who is always in a good humor, asked one of the witnesses a question. The witness who up to that time was unaware of the fact that the Doctor was a member of the committee, saw the Doctor afterwards and greeted him as follows: "My friend I do not know you but you look so much like a preacher that I am bound to speak to you, and it was as much as I could do to keep from shaking hands with you while I was on the witness stand." The sub-committee will have another meeting in Richmond some time next week, at which time they will hear the evidence of a few witnesses from Bath who were unable to reach Clifton Forge in time to be examined there. Being the stenographer for the committee prevented me from sending two or three letters to the GAZETTE.

Captain Geo. A. Muehbach, Judge C. E. Stuart, J. S. B. Thompson and John M. Johnson, of Alexandria, were at the Capitol to-day in connection with the Alexandria judgeship.

The bill to incorporate the Mount Vernon Avenue Association which has been reported from the Senate Committee names the following incorporators: John B. Smoot, E. W. Fox, Jefferson Chandler, M. B. Harlow, E. F. Beale, Jackson E. Sikes, Frank A. Reed, N. W. Pearson, Stacy Snowden, J. T. Beckham, W. E. Clarke, F. R. Windsor, Park Agnew, Frank Hume, George Johnston, Warington Gillingham, H. A. Willard, W. M. Galt, Dr. G. W. Wythe Cook, D. A. Windsor, Harrison Hagin, R. Portner, Walter Walton, Kozier Dulany, H. H. Wells, L. E. Blake, R. S. Lacey, Captain Lawton, Francis Huft, C. E. Stuart, J. Norman Gibbs, James M. Love and James W. Roberts. The corporation shall have power to acquire right of way by condemnation, or by highway, not exceeding two hundred feet in width from some point south of the Aqueduct bridge on the northern boundary of the government park reservation or cemetery known as Arlington, on the Potomac river, thence through the county and city of Alexandria, passing through Washington street of the said city of Alexandria, and through the county of Fairfax to the grounds enclosing the tomb of Washington, known as Mount Vernon, over the most practicable route to be selected by the trustees of said corporation, and to conduct and keep in repair a public highway thereon, and to adorn and beautify the same. The corporation shall be governed by the trustees herein named, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, and shall have power to receive subscriptions or contributions from the United States, the State of Virginia, or any State or territory of the United States, or any county, corporation, person, or municipality thereof, to promote the accomplishment of the objects of this association. Whatever is received by the association, from any source, shall, without compensation to the trustees be expended to open, construct, build, keep in repair and beautify the said avenue, and for such other charges the trustees may approve and determine. The city of Alexandria is authorized to aid in the construction of the avenue in the city of Alexandria, to the amount of \$25,000, to be paid either in cash or in the bonds of said city, as the city shall elect. The counties of Alexandria and Fairfax are also authorized to aid in the construction of the avenue by issuing their respective bonds, not exceeding \$2,000 for each county per mile of said avenue, or by contributing the same amount in cash. The corporation shall have power to condemn land, as the power to condemn for public use is now defined and exercised for public purposes under and by virtue of the general laws of the State of Virginia, and in exercising said power in condemning lands for said avenue and highway, advantages and benefits accruing to the owner of adjoining lands whose land is condemned for said avenue and highway, by virtue of the increase in value of said adjoining lands, shall be considered and deducted from any damage which said party may sustain by virtue of the condemnation proceedings herein contemplated for the purpose of establishing said avenue or highway. The trustees are authorized to permit under such restrictions, regulations, conditions and terms as a quorum thereof may deem advisable, such means of carrying passengers over said avenue as will not disturb the enjoyment of said avenue by ordinary private vehicles and carriages and means of travel—provided steam shall not be used as a motive power for carrying passengers. The trustees can appoint special policemen with the advice and consent of the Corporation Judge, who shall have the same power as constables and municipal police officers. The principal office shall be in the city of Alexandria, and taxes must be paid in money, and not coupons.

To-day's session of the Senate was unusually interesting because there was a spirited debate on the resolution inquiring as to the right of William M. Ellis to a seat in the Senate from the Montgomery district. Lieut. Governor Massey was expected to reach the Capitol before the Senate adjourned but he did not do so. It is not known how he will vote upon the proposition.

RICHMOND, Va., January 13th, 1888.—To-night I asked Mr. Hay, of Madison, chairman of the House Committee for Courts of Justice, what important bills were pending before his committee and his reply was, "We have a number of very important bills which we have not yet reported. One is to allow husband and wife to testify for and against each other in criminal cases, and one to allow husband and wife to testify for and against each other in civil cases, and another bill which is causing a good deal of comment from members of the Richmond bar, that provides that the commissioners of chancery shall reside within the jurisdiction of the court which appoints them."

A very important bill which was reported from the House Committee for Courts of Justice to-day, was one which, if it becomes a law, will remove the friction between the State and Federal courts in cases where the property of peddlers has been attached when the peddler has tendered coupons in payment of license.

Ex-Attorney General Frank S. Blair was in the city to-day. He is here in consequence of the introduction of a bill directing the Attorney General to institute a suit against him to recover fees amounting to \$5,000, which, it is alleged, he received illegally

from the Commonwealth while in office. The bill was reported in the House to-day and is now on the House calendar. Senator Williams, of Bland, represented the Attorney General before the committee to-day.

Senator Heaton, of Loudoun, gave Norfolk a humorous slip to-day when the reading of the Senate bill read the title of the bill incorporating the Christian Multitude of Norfolk. He arose, and in a spirit of fun said that he knew Norfolk had different kinds of multitudes, but he was unaware that it could claim to have a Christian multitude. When the clerk finished reading the title of this bill the next in order was one to incorporate the United Sons and Daughters of the Grand Army of Industrious Samaritans. The corporators in both of these bills were colored people.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Johnson and Col. Francis L. Smith were in Richmond to-day. The original bill incorporating the Mineral Railway Company provided for the construction of a road from some point in West Virginia to Strasburg. The bill amended and reported to-day authorizes the construction of a road from some point at or near Alexandria to Charleston or some other point in West Virginia. No opposition was indicated to the bill before the committee to-day, and it will be easily passed.

The status of the Ellis Houston contested election case is this: Thus far every vote that has been taken affecting the matter has been a tie, but the tie votes are favorable to Ellis because they have culminated in an adjournment till Monday, at which time Mr. Massey will, as it were, cut the Gordian knot which the Senate has been trying to untie since last Monday. While the tie votes are favorable to Mr. Ellis, I do not mean they are directly in his favor, but are indirectly so, because the resolution is in the shape of an inquiry as to whether Mr. Ellis is entitled to the seat in the Senate now held by Mr. Houston, and has a broader scope than the compelling proposition, and Mr. Massey is understood to be for it. B. P. O.

VIROGINIA NEWS. The Bank of Clark county has declared a dividend of four per cent. out of the profits of the past six months.

Mr. R. B. Gaines, a highly respected citizen of King George county, died on the 4th instant, in the 65th year of his age.

Mr. A. R. Florance, of Fauquier, and Miss Marion M. Embury, of Prince William county, were married at Oak Dale farm on January 10th.

It is said that Mr. Lewis Marshall, of Orange, will be a candidate for Congress in the 8th District, subject to the republican convention.

The State Senate committee yesterday unanimously reported a bill, providing for the amendment of the present inspection laws, so as to abolish the compulsory inspection of flour and fish.

Miss Irene Herndon, who was so badly injured at Potomac City a few weeks ago while getting off a train, is pronounced out of danger and we are glad to be able to report her rapid recovery.

The advisability of again placing before the voters of Prince William county the question of removing the Court House from Brentsville to Manassas is now a subject of conversation in the latter place.

A bill to amend the act to require proper proof of disability in order to obtain aid as a disabled soldier or marine, so as to embrace cities as well as counties under the operations of the law, was passed by the State Senate yesterday.

Bryan Lynch, who was asphyxiated in his room in Norfolk on Wednesday night, as stated in yesterday's GAZETTE, died late on Thursday night. He was a courier on Gen. Lee's staff during the war, and was from Rochester, N. Y.

The farm of the late John Travenner near Hamilton, Loudoun county, was sold last Saturday by commissioners for \$75 per acre, S. R. Tillett being the purchaser. It is understood, however, that Jas. B. Peugh is one of the parties to the purchase and the farm will be divided.

J. W. Smith, a life insurance agent of Gordonsville, known as "Extra Billy" Smith, aged about 50 years, was found hanging, dead, in the jail at Orange, C. H. yesterday morning, where he had been put to sleep, having been on a spree for some days. He formed a rope out of the bed clothing to accomplish the deed.

The bill proposed by the Farmers' Assembly to create a Board of Agriculture and appropriate \$17,500 annually for the purpose, and further providing for the establishment of an experimental station at the University of Virginia, was introduced in the House of Delegates yesterday. It is likely to provoke considerable discussion.

The preliminary hearing in the case of Wm. C. Duer, who cut his wife's throat several days ago, in Accomac county, took place before three justices at Eastville yesterday. After hearing considerable testimony, the substance of which has already appeared, the justices decided to send the case on to the grand jury, and remanded Duer to jail.

D. B. Scott, the Scotchman who was unseated by the House of Delegates soon after the meeting of the Legislature because he was not a naturalized citizen, was re-elected at the special election held in Goochland on the 10th. Scott completed the requirements of the naturalization laws soon after the Legislature convened, and again entered the field and was returned by the republicans.

THE CULPEPER FIRE.—The loss by the fire at Culpeper C. H. yesterday, noticed in the GAZETTE, is now estimated at \$20,000. The losses and insurance are as follows: W. W. Cheff, loss on stock \$4,000, insurance \$3,600; T. H. Brown, loss \$3,000, insurance \$2,500; P. Thomas, loss \$5,000, insurance \$3,000; John S. Smith, on two buildings, loss \$5,000, insurance \$4,300; T. Hill, on building loss \$2,000, insurance \$1,500; B. F. Hall, groceries and liquors, loss \$300, no insurance; J. C. Bell, on building, loss \$800, insured; Byrd Eastham, farming implements, loss \$500, fully insured. The adjoining buildings were all damaged more or less by fire and water. The losses to insurance companies are about as follows: Phoenix, of Brooklyn, \$2,600; Virginia Fire and Marine, \$3,500; Kittanning, of Pennsylvania, \$1,000; Wytheville, of Wytheville, Va., \$800; Fire Association of Philadelphia, \$1,500; British American, \$500; Alexandria (Va.) Insurance Company, \$1,500.

COURT OF APPEALS YESTERDAY.—Becher against Wilson, Burns & Co. Argued by H. R. Pollard, esq., for appellants and T. P. Bagby, esq., for appellees and submitted.

Marrow against Sheetz. Argued by Col. Thomas Tabb for appellant.

Not all the Georgia parsons are getting rich. One in Upson county, who has married a couple, has received in fees just \$5, and that came from one man. The other 110 paid nothing.

A bill to prevent the sale of cigarettes to minors has been reported upon adversely in the House of Delegates. It should be passed, nevertheless.

"I was most ready to return a blow and would not brook at all this sort of thing," for I knew I could cure all damage with Salvation Oil.

POSTSCRIPT TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Speaker Carlisle's Seat. (Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.) WASHINGTON, January 14.—The House Committee on Elections has decided not to reopen the Thoebe-Carlisle case, but to confirm Mr. Carlisle's title to his seat. The vote was 12 in the affirmative, three members not voting.

From Richmond. (Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.) RICHMOND, Jan. 14.—Senate bill to incorporate the Falls Church and Potomac Railroad Company was reported with amendments in the House to-day.

The House for two hours discussed the bill to pay a special legislative committee extra compensation for examining State securities in the capitol offices two years ago and finally rejected the bill. B. P. O.

Foreign Items. LONDON, Jan. 14.—The capital of the new limited concern which will be formed from the present Bass Brewing Company, has been fixed at £4,080,000. Only £910,000 in 4 1/2 per cent. debentures will be offered to the public.

Barglers broke into Taplow Court, the well known residence of Mr. Henry Riversdale Grenfell, one of the directors of the Bank of England, and decamped with property and money amounting in value to £6,000.

Berlin and Vienna financiers are disappointed because the Czar made no speech at his New Year reception.

DUBLIN, Jan. 14.—Mr. Parrell, who has been for several days at Avondale, his estate, has returned to England. He went by the way of the Kingstown-Holyhead route this morning.

The Right Hon. Hugh Childers, who has been making private inquiries into the condition of affairs in Ireland, will return to London to-day.

Mr. Thomas Sexton, Lord Mayor of Dublin, who is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever, is improving slowly.

PARIS, Jan. 14.—One hundred emigrants from Belfast started to-day for Dakota. There are signs that emigration from France is increasing.

VIENNA, Jan. 14.—The New Free Press says that Russia recently proposed to Germany and Austria that Prince Peter Karageorgievich be made ruler of Bulgaria. Austria flatly refused to accede to the proposition, and Russia withdrew it.

BERLIN, Jan. 14.—The Prussian Diet was opened to-day. The royal speech made no mention of foreign or military affairs. It declared there was a hope that the progress of the Crown Prince Frederick William towards recovery would be maintained.

The Hatfield-McCoy War. CATLETTSBURG, Ky., Jan. 14.—The latest intelligence from the seat of the Hatfield-McCoy war is to the effect that the McCoy posse captured Will Hatfield and five others on their raid the other night and landed them safe in the Pike county jail. One more man was killed who has not been reported, Jeff Nicolls. The excitement in that section of country is intense and beggars description. Everybody is up in arms and the scenes surpass those of the late war. There is but little sleeping done in Pikeville now, as all is expectancy, and the citizens would not be surprised at any hour to see the Hatfields swoop down on them, extricate their members and burn the town, to say nothing of the people they would kill. The Hatfield are known to be well organized. Winchester rifles are in great demand and command good prices. Cap Hatfield was dangerously wounded in the last encounter but managed to make his escape. The Hatfield party has been badly worsted in the last two engagements, the McCoy party and authorities escaping unhurt. You may listen for music from that quarter now at any time.

Difficultly Adjusted. CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—The demands of the locomotive engineers made upon the Santa Fe road have, with slight modifications, been acceded to, putting an end to any possibility of a strike. This satisfactory conclusion was reached here yesterday at a long conference between Mr. Arthur, a committee of fifteen engineers and Vice President Smith of the Santa Fe road. Hereafter there will be but one class of engineers and they will all receive the same salary, the highest now paid. Firemen when promoted shall serve for one year on switch engines before being entered in this class.

SHOOTING AFFRAY. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 14.—A shooting affray occurred at Scottsboro, Ala., which resulted in the instant death of H. B. Garland. A feud between Garland and sheriff W. P. Dicus has existed for years and they met yesterday on the street and began shooting. Garland was instantly killed. Dicus received two wounds but they will not prove fatal. Jas. Hall, a nephew of the sheriff, was shot in the right shoulder and badly hurt. Dicus was arrested after the shooting.

Fatal Accident. MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Jan. 14.—Last night the shed attached to the store of John M. Everett, at Gardnerville, nine miles south of here, becoming unsafe by reason of the snow on the roof, a number of men undertook to brace it up, when it suddenly gave way, killing three and injuring seven. Those killed were David Wright, a carpenter, an old resident of the neighborhood, John Tutbill and David Kelley. One or two of those injured are not likely to recover.

A Memorial. CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 14.—At the annual meeting yesterday of the Western Iron Ore Association, a memorial to Congress, protesting and remonstrating against the removal or reduction of duty on iron ore, was unanimously adopted.

The Weather. CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—The storm at Galena yesterday blockaded the highways, the drifts in some places being fifteen feet deep. No trains on the Illinois Central or the Chicago and Northwestern roads reached there yesterday. The blockada on the latter road between Galena and Madison will not be raised for several days. Stock about Moweaqua suffered intensely from the sudden change in temperature and a number of losses by freezing are reported by farmers.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 14.—Many people in this vicinity were caught out in the storm. One citizen lay all night in a snow bank within half a mile of town between his horses, escaping with his life. Another man was found dead yesterday standing at the side of a barn northwest of town. All the railroads will start their snow plows to-day.

St. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 14.—A great deal of distress is reported from the country tributary to St. Joseph owing to the recent cold weather. Between that city and the Iowa line and in Southern Nebraska and Northern Kansas, farmers are reporting great loss of live stock, which last night froze to death in the stalls. Two stock trains that had been delayed arrived at St. Joseph last night with every head of cattle dead. Most of the passenger trains are abandoned. The Missouri Pacific between Omaha and Kansas City is closed and so is the Burlington and Missouri river road between St. Joseph and Denver.

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 14.—The thermometer here registered 49 degrees below zero last night. The cold wave extends over the entire territory, the mercury ranging from 15 to 40 degrees. There are no trains moving. Two men were frozen to death at Marysville. Serious results are feared if the cold snap continues.

Frozen to Death. GARRISON, Neb., Jan. 14.—The three children of John Doninger, who attempted to go home from school during the storm yesterday, lost their way and remained out all night. When they were found this morning, one was frozen to death; the other two may recover.

ST. JOSEPH, Iowa, Jan. 14.—W. B. Headley was frozen to death near Barkston Dakota yesterday.

Oklahoma. LAWRENCE, Kan., Jan. 14.—Capt. W. L. Couch of Oklahoma invasion force, said yesterday: "There is no truth whatever in the stories that a large secret organization is being formed in Southern Kansas or any where else for the purpose of forcibly entering Oklahoma, nor is a large quantity of arms being raised for resisting the army."

Final Meeting. BALTIMORE, Jan. 14.—The final meeting of the stockholders of the Baltimore and Ohio R. R., to vote upon the proposition to issue \$5,000,000 of third preferred stock to the syndicate at 95, adjourned at one o'clock this afternoon. At the meeting to-day but 371 of the whole number of shares were represented, and, without a quorum, no vote was taken. This concludes the matter.

Overdue Steamer. NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Some facts are entertained concerning the safety of the overdue French steamer Britannia, from Mediterranean ports, which left Gibraltar on December 22. She carries 850 steerage passengers.

Fire. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 14.—The fire here last night burned out six business houses.

Three hauled people are becoming quite numerous, they have a right hand, a left hand, and are always behind hand in taking Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup when they catch a cold.

DIED. On January 10th, 1888, at Charleston, S. C. SAMUEL N. AUBINEO. The deceased was a native of Alexandria, Va., but for the last eight years was a resident of Charleston, where he had made many kind friends, who mourn his death. He has reached the home for which he prayed.

Asleep in Jesus, far from thee. Thus kindred and their graves may be. But there is still a blessed sleep. From which none ever wake to weep.

LIST OF LETTERS. The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice January 14. Persons calling for letters will please say they are advertised.

- Advertized letters, not called for within thirty days, will be sent to the dead letter office. Brown, Mrs Mildred Richardson, J H Braddock, Mrs Mary Roberts, Mrs Julia A Brown, Philip Robertson, John Bryant, T A Scroggins, Mrs Ann Estella, Tena Sowell, Chas T Ford, Miss Mattie Stambonedel, Antonio Taylor, Mrs Beverly Franklin, Miss Elizabeth Thorne, Wesley Johnson, Albert Thomson, T H Kent, Mr Kelly, William H Thomson, G H Mackay, C B Wyman, Miss Lou Miller, F J Watson, Wm Washin, Mrs Sarah Miller, Mrs Susan Nickens, Miss Phenix E Wallace, J A Nowland, Maurice Wrenner, Miss Vinnie Parham, jr, Seth Williams, George Parker, Miss Betty Whitney, Henry Page, Wm Graham Whitney, Mrs Julia Pittman, J G

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