



ALEXANDRIA. TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 14.

From Washington.

(Special Correspondence of the ALEX. GAZETTE.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14, 1888.

Mr. Kiddleberger made many friends among the Irishmen by his opposition to the British treaty, which it should not be forgotten, was approved by Senator Sherman and all the republican members of the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee. To-day his desk in the Senate was adorned with a beautiful floral representation of the American flag; the stripes composed of red and white cartouches; the blue field, of asters, the stars, of white carnations, and the border, of smilax and yellow ribbon. To it was attached a card with the following inscription: To Hon. Harrison H. Kiddleberger: The Clan na Gael of New York as a token of their admiration of your indomitable opposition to the British extradition treaty. The United States will not become an endorser and supporter of the infamous crime of England against Ireland.

The Senate to-day after the routine business resumed the consideration of the resolution about the inefficiency of the postal service until two o'clock, when the Blair bill will come up again. The vote on this bill will be taken at three o'clock to-morrow. In the House Mr. Martin of Texas, made his maiden speech on an agricultural report, spreading out his hands, and saying that every farmer in the country should have a copy of the report, and that if seven thousand were printed now he would be content to wait awhile for ten thousand more. Mr. Martin is the member about whose blowing out of gas lights and other back woods peculiarities so much has been said. His speech was therefore received with hilarity and general applause.

The engineer of the new free bridge at the site of the old Alexandria canal aqueduct at Georgetown says the delay in the construction of that bridge is due to the bad management of the contractors. The iron work is up and the floor partly laid. Should there be no further disappointment in the delivery of floor timber the work will be done and the bridge open to the public inside of ten days, if the weather be favorable.

General Lee has received an anonymous letter, postmarked Alexandria, begging him to do all that is possible to secure an ice boat for the Potomac. He says if the writer had signed his name to the letter he would have answered him directly, but that as he did not, he replies through the GAZETTE, and tells him he has already promised, and will certainly do all that he is capable of to secure an appropriation for the desired object in time for the freeze of next winter. It is too late in the season for such an appropriation to be made use of now.

The House Judiciary Committee to-day agreed to report favorably on the Senate bill for refunding the amount collected under the direct land tax law of 1861, with an amendment providing that the money be paid either to the States or to the individuals from whom it was collected. The committee also agreed to report favorably on the Senate bill changing inauguration day from the 4th of March to the 30th of April. The Commerce Committee reported in favor of granting a charter to the Nicaragua canal. A sub-committee of the Banking Committee agreed to report favorably to the whole committee a bill to issue fractional currency to the amount of not less than twenty nor more than thirty million dollars, in denominations of fifty, twenty-five, ten and five cents.

In the Senate to-day the bill to change the limits of the Fourth collection district in Virginia was transferred from the Finance to the Commerce committee, as was done also with the bill for the relief of John A. Fairfax. C. W. Perkins, of Richmond, has been appointed a messenger in the Postoffice Department, vice Brasilian, a republican, removed.

Letter from Richmond. (Special Cor. of the Alexandria GAZETTE.) RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 11.—The announcement that Mrs. Thomas Massie and Mr. J. G. Goldsmith were married in Washington city a few days ago created considerable comment when that fact was made known here. Mrs. Massie's husband died at the American Hotel, in this city, just sixteen days before the widow became a bride again. Her present husband was a partner in business of her former husband when he died. Mr. Massie fell on the ice a few days prior to his death, but made no complaint of any injury from its effects until one Saturday night, when he said he felt pains in his back and face, and in thirty-six hours thereafter he was a dead man. Two doctors testified that he died of lockjaw. He and his wife came from Chicago, though he was a native of Albemarle county.

The president of the Richmond and Danville railroad has promised the Chamber of Commerce not to remove any more of the company's offices to Washington until he has further considered the subject. A joint resolution to locate the boundary line between Virginia and West Virginia has passed the Senate and it will probably be taken up in the House to-day. It of course provides for the usual Board of Commissioners, and will perhaps accomplish about as much as such boundary definers generally do.

What shall be done with the idle State convicts is agitating the mind of a number of local and legislative politicians. The electric railroad cars have been having a hard time for several days ploughing through the sleet and mud, but they have managed to keep a few going every day. B. P. O.

NEWS OF THE DAY. Mrs. Dahlgren gave a dinner party in Washington last night in honor of Cardinal Gibbons. The Baltimore Corn and Flour Exchange is opposed to the purchase by the State of \$500,000 of the canal repair bonds. Chairman Jones, of the republican national committee, says that Mr. Blaine, after past disappointments, has lost the desire for the presidency. Ralph Lee, the self-confessed would-be assassin of his step-father, S. W. Rawson, the Chicago banker, was sentenced yesterday to eight-months in the county jail. Frederick W. Meyers, for thirty-five years employed in the office of the consul of Austria Hungary, New York city, committed suicide yesterday by taking Paris green. Mr. T. D. Sullivan, who was recently imprisoned in Ireland under the Coercion act, was welcomed in London by ten thousand people, and addressed forty thousand persons in Hyde Park. I-ham Mullins, charged with having killed Henry Moore at Summerville, W. Va., last New Year's eve, and who escaped from the officers, gave himself up to the officers of Nicholas county last week and was placed in the jail in Charleston yesterday. A company was incorporated in Baltimore yesterday which proposes to send merchandise and mail by electro-automatic power over an elevated railway, the cars of which cannot run off, and to make the time of transit from Baltimore to Washington ten minutes. Col. Duncan K. McRae, of North Carolina, died Saturday night in Brooklyn, N. Y., aged 69. He was a distinguished lawyer, advocate and politician, and was a colonel in the Confederate army. When only five years old he delivered the address of welcome to General Lafayette when he visited Fayetteville in 1825. A bill introduced in the Senate yesterday by Mr. Platt proposes to pay the legal representatives of the late Capt. Francis Allyn, of New London, Ct., and the owners of the ship Cadmus, the sum of \$7,372.67, with interest from September 1, 1824, as full compensation for the transportation of General de Lafayette and family from France to the United States in 1824, upon the invitation of the Congress of the United States.

VIRGINIA NEWS. Richard Barnett and Nancy Gatin, two old colored people residing near Manassas, aged respectively 70 and 80 years, were recently married by the Rev. Mr. Marsh. Among the bills which have become laws by being signed by the Governor are the following: To exempt undertakers from jury service; to incorporate the Memorial Asylum for Infants in Fairfax county. John E. Crostiek, who has, for the last two years, been mail carrier at the Petersburg postoffice was arrested yesterday on a charge of robbing the mails. He was committed to await examination by a United States commissioner. A special grand jury to take into consideration the case of M. C. Duer, confined in jail in Northampton county since January 5 for the murder of his wife, after hearing the testimony thought it unwise to find a bill against him as there was little room to doubt that he was insane at the time of the deed. This action of the grand jury will result in Duer being sent to the insane asylum. The Manassas Gazette says: "Owing to bad weather, the meeting of citizens to have been held on the 4th to adopt some plan for raising the necessary funds to erect a court house at Manassas, was not held and has been indefinitely postponed. The bill submitting the question of removal to the voters of the county has been forwarded to the Legislature and now awaits the action of that body."

ANOTHER PROPOSED ROAD.—As stated in yesterday's GAZETTE, a meeting was held in Warrenton on Saturday to consider the feasibility of building an air line railroad to the West, beginning at Washington and making Warrenton one of its stations. Gen. Lafayette Bingham, of Washington, who is the prime mover in the affair, and who addressed the meeting, and who is very enthusiastic about the matter, says in reference to the road: "The road is a necessity, as the proposed route will be through a thickly settled and rich country, now without railroad facilities. It will pass through Rappahannock, Fauquier, Madison and Greene counties, neither of which has any railroad connection. The distance will also be much shorter than the present road, which is 58 miles to Warrenton, and the new road will be but 41 miles. The road will penetrate the iron and coal regions beyond Harrisonburg, which will be one of its principal stations. Rappahannock county has promised \$100,000, Fauquier will give a like amount, and the city of Warrenton \$50,000, and the counties through which the line will traverse will each give \$50,000. It is thought the citizens in the towns along the line will raise \$500,000, which will be expended in putting the road bed in shape and grading, preparatory to laying the rails. Capitalists both in America and London have volunteered the money necessary to purchase the rails and the rolling stock. The money can be raised on twenty-year bonds paying 4 per cent. A charter committee has been appointed and will move in the matter at once."

RIGHTS OF MARRIED WOMEN.—In the State Senate yesterday Mr. J. L. Gordon introduced a bill to allow married women the benefit of the homestead exemption in separate estate. The bill provides that any married woman owning separate estate, real or personal, shall be held and regarded to be a householder or head of a family, and shall be authorized and permitted, her husband uniting in the conveyance, to claim, set apart and designate as a homestead real or personal property, &c. In case the husband of such married woman shall claim the homestead exemption and such exemption does not amount to \$2,000, she shall be entitled to claim the deficiency in the separate estate.

FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES.—In the House of Delegates yesterday Mr. Figgatt introduced a bill to amend the act in relation to the deposits of foreign insurance companies. This amendment provides that each life insurance company which has not been incorporated by the laws of the State of Virginia shall not carry on its business in this State without first obtaining a license to transact its business in the manner prescribed by law and no such company shall receive such license until it shall have deposited with the Treasurer of the State bonds of the State of Virginia, bonds of the United States, or bonds of the cities of Richmond, Petersburg, Lynchburg, Norfolk, Alexandria or Danville, of the cash value of \$10,000.

A leading New York physician says, that three-fourths of the deaths during this trying winter are due to diseases of the lungs. Take warning and secure at once a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, a sure cure for all lung troubles.

POSTSCRIPT TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCHES. The Legislature. (Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.) RICHMOND, Feb. 14.—The committee of conference on the Mount Vernon Avenue bill has reported against Mr. Corbett's amendment, and their report was adopted to-day by both Houses. The bill now goes to the Governor. The Mineral Railroad bill has passed both houses of the Legislature. B. P. O.

Proceedings of Congress. WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14th. SENATE. Among the bills reported from committees and placed on the calendar was one in structing the Committee on Commerce (in reporting the river and harbor bill) to set out the important facts bearing on each item. Reported by Mr. Jones, of Nevada, and agreed to. Among the bills introduced and referred was one to prohibit the selling or giving of tobacco in any form to persons under 16 years of age in the District of Columbia. Mr. Blackburn offered a resolution declaring it not in order (except by unanimous consent) for the Committee on Appropriations to report to the Senate for consideration or action any general appropriation bill without having had it under consideration for ten days or more. Referred to the Committee on Rules. The resolution for an inquiry into the causes of the inefficient mail service was then taken up. After discussion the resolution went over without action. The Blair educational bill was then taken up. HOUSE. Mr. Mills, of Texas, from the Committee on Rules, reported a resolution, which was adopted, assigning the 2nd and 4th Mondays in each month for the consideration of business relating to the District of Columbia. Mr. Cannon, of Illinois, from the Committee on Rules, reported the resolution, which was adopted, amending the rules relative to a call of the House so as to provide that when a member voluntarily appears at the door of the House he shall be immediately admitted. A number of executive communications were presented to the House.

Terrible Accident. NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The following dispatch was received at police headquarters from Brooklyn this morning: "Elevated R. R. structure fell on a street car at Broadway near Summer avenue. Several people supposed to be killed. All ambulances ordered out to the scene of the disaster." LATER. NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Shortly before ten o'clock this morning as a Reed avenue street car filled with passengers was passing under the large derrick used in erecting the elevated railroad structure on Broadway near Summer avenue, Brooklyn, the ropes sustaining the derrick gave way and the derrick fell in crushing it in like an egg shell. Seventeen of the passengers on the car were injured, and two people were killed. Michael McAnally, the driver of the car, was crushed to death. Karl Kuehler, a German employed on the derrick, was also killed. It was said that some persons were buried underneath the ruins and workmen are now engaged in removing the debris to learn if there are any other victims of the disaster. From later search it is learned that seven people were killed.

Encounter With Burglars. BRIDGEPORT, Ill., Feb. 14.—R. S. Porter, a wealthy farmer, and his wife had a terrible encounter with burglars Sunday night near Lawrenceville. Early in the evening Mr. Porter responded to a knock at the door when a man entered and placed a revolver at his head. He threw his assailant to the floor and while struggling with him a second man entered and held Mrs. Porter at bay with a revolver. She went at this one with a poker while her husband struggled with the first. Two more of the gang came in to the assistance of their confederates and a terrific fight ensued. Some of the neighbors became alarmed by this time, and the burglars made a hurried departure. Mr. and Mrs. Porter were badly and perhaps fatally injured. He had received numerous deep cuts from a knife and she was injured internally, besides being badly burned from seizing the wrong end of the poker. The sheriff with the whole town for a posse is making a vigorous search for the gang.

\$5,500 Short. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 14.—David B. Hilt, treasurer of Philadelphia Lodge Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, is said to be about \$5,500 short in this account. Mr. Hilt was the custodian of the Elks charity fund amounting to about \$7,000, and it was his duty to have the money deposited to the credit of the society with the Fidelity Trust Co. Yesterday, however, it was discovered that the Elks deposit amounted to only \$1,515. Hilt has promised to meet the trustees of the order to-day and make full explanation. The order is composed largely of actors and the disclosures have caused considerable excitement in theatrical circles here. Mr. Hilt is an insurance broker and has been treasurer of the local lodge of Elks since 1881.

The Miners' Demand. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 14.—The miners and laborers' amalgamated association of this county will meet at Plains, three miles from here, on Saturday next to take action in regard to the demand of fifteen per cent. advance asked for by district assembly 16. A prominent member of the amalgamated association says he is of opinion that they will cooperate with district sixteen in its efforts to obtain the advance. He also expressed the belief that in case the demand is refused by the operators there will be a general going out of miners though perhaps not immediately, as every effort will first be put forth to avert a strike.

The Crown Prince. EDINBURGH, Feb. 14.—The Scotsman has a special from San Remo which says that when it was proposed to place the German Crown Prince under the influence of chloroform preparatory to the performance of the operation of tracheotomy last week, Dr. Mackenzie demurred, but upon finding himself in a minority of one against four, he yielded. The Crown Prince was forbidden to speak yesterday. When he wished to make a communication he either made signals or wrote. SAN REMO, Feb. 14.—The German Crown Prince passed a restless night, but slept this morning. He is without fever and there are no bad symptoms in the throat. A bulletin issued at noon says that the wound in the Crown Prince's throat caused by the operation of tracheotomy presents the best possible appearance. A later bulletin says the Crown Prince, besides taking liquid food, was able to eat a sandwich to-day. He has also spoken, although the doctors had forbidden him to do so.

Shooting Affray. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 14.—Stephen N. Wilson, a well-known negro editor, and Archie Irwin, keeper of a negro chop house and saloon, met at the corner of Washington avenue and Ninth street between 10 and 11 o'clock last night, and had hot words about some exposures recently made by Wilson to the effect that some of the female teachers in the colored schools were the wives of proprietors of negro gambling houses and disreputable saloons. Wilson alleges Irwin started to pull his pistol, whereupon he (Wilson) drew his revolver and fired five shots, one of which entered Irwin's abdomen, inflicting mortal wounds. Wilson was arrested.

A Villain Foiled. BALTIMORE, Feb. 14.—This morning as Miss Sophia Guilford, a teacher in the Woodberry high school, was passing through Druid Hill Park she was approached by a young man who insulted her and finally seized her and attempted to throw her to the ground. She caught hold of his fingers in her mouth and bit severely, when the man let go his hold and she drew a revolver, at the sight of which he ran, but she fired two shots after him and is uncertain whether either took effect.

Affairs in Ireland. DUBLIN, Feb. 14.—Mr. W. J. Lane, member of parliament for the eastern division of Cork, who was sentenced to a month's imprisonment at Fallowfield for inciting tenants to resist bailiffs, was released from jail to-day. There was a crowd in front of the jail when he emerged, but little enthusiasm was shown. The Freeman's Journal asserts that the government is employing police agents to revive Fenianism in Londonderry.

Died from her Injuries. BALTIMORE, Feb. 14.—Mrs. Isabella Fogel, aged 32, living on Greenmount avenue, died early this morning from having been burned last night by the explosion of a coal oil lamp. She had just given her sick husband some medicine, and going down stairs tripped, causing the lamp to explode, and throwing the burning fluid over her person.

Desperado Killed. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 14.—Brack Corbett, better known as Capt. Dick, the desperado and leader of the notorious train robbers, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon while resisting arrest by Sheriff Allee, of Trio county, Texas, eighteen miles west of Pease Station on the International and Great Northern railroad.

Murder and Suicide. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 14.—A special from Berlin, Wis., says J. W. Hacker, of Danville, shot and killed Mabel Steike, of Belle Plaine, and then blew out his own brains yesterday. Hacker was engaged to be married to Miss Steike, but her parents had objected to the match.

Sudden Death. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Feb. 14.—George Sidney Camp, senior counsel in the famous Fiske-McGraw will case against Cornell University, died suddenly at Owego this morning. Mr. Camp was 72 years of age.

Approved. WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The President has approved the bill removing the political disabilities of Henry H. Marmaduke, of Missouri. RAZORS AT A REVIVAL.—Macedonia, N. J., is in the heart of an almost impenetrable pine forest, and its inhabitants—colored people almost entirely—are charcoal burners. But they are as handy with razors as if they lived in Hoboken. A revival is going on in the church there and when the congregation streamed out Thursday night they found Deacon John Thompson and Jerry Adams having a rare old razor fight, trying to let out the bad blood which for some time has existed between them. It was more fun than a revival, so the whole congregation yelled: "Blit his wiza!" and sailed in on one side or the other with razors, knives and clubs. There was a lively and gory fight. Both Thompson and Adams were badly cut and the latter may die. Nearly fifty people bear marks of the fray.

Y. M. C. A.—As stated in yesterday's GAZETTE, the twelfth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Virginia, which convened in Petersburg on Thursday morning, adjourned Sunday night. During the past year fourteen new associations have been organized, and there are now forty-two associations in the State, the oldest of which is the association of the University of Virginia. Three new buildings have been erected at a cost of \$87,000, and one purchased and remodeled at a cost of \$37,000. Nearly \$8,000 has been received for organizing associations, opening attractive rooms and employing general secretaries. The association will meet in Danville next year. Richmond has the finest monument of bronze and granite in the world, it has the oldest American capitol, and the oldest State records, and it has the famous church where Patrick Henry made his speech, "Give me liberty or give me death."

ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COIN-FEDERATE BAZAR. Through Mrs. F. A. Reed—Hunters & Chantrelles, Washington, \$10; Woodward & Lothrop, Washington, \$10; West, 55 Park Avenue, \$7; Mrs. Wm. Gray, \$5; Mrs. Smith, \$1; Major Nett, through Mrs. P. H. Wise, \$5; Mr. J. W. Smith, Washington, \$5; a friend, through Mrs. Judge, \$5; Mrs. D. D. Daingerfield, through Mrs. Pierpont, \$5; Mrs. W. H. through same, \$1; cash through Mrs. W. H. through same, \$1; Elipstein, handsome donation of fruit; Mrs. Henry, do; Mrs. Acton, do; Mrs. T. G. Mrs. P. H. Tallman, Denison, N. J. Yandeker, raised pin cushion, 1 pair; Mrs. W. H. raised a handsome tidy; Mrs. W. H. raised a Baltimore, through Misses Cavalier, two handsome pin cushions and infant's socks; Mrs. White, B. P. O. Washington, through same, 2 pairs infant's socks; Mrs. P. Moran, through same, fancy articles; Misses Cavalier, Washington, through same, 1 pair fancy articles; Johnson, Byrd & Co. through a B. S. 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