



WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 19, 1893.

FOR THE first and only time in many years it is the valued correspondent, whose communication appears in another column, who is mistaken. The GAZETTE has not fallen into error. It was not the GAZETTE, but distinguished officials of the Catholic church, and reliable newspapers of that church...

THE report that the President is resolved to disassociate politics from the management of government affairs would be decidedly more gratifying if that meritorious resolution had been preceded by an equal division...

ACCORDING to republican professions the majority should rule; but according to republican acts, the professions referred to apply only to the South. That it is not necessary and requisite for the majority to rule in the North, is proved by the fact that though the democratic gubernatorial candidate received more votes in Rhode Island at the recent election than by several hundred than his republican opponent...

SOME newspapers say the removal from office, on the score of economy, of a sixty-five-year-old brother of the late Mr. Blaine, was "an especially mean piece of business." Well, as there was no work for the man to do, and as the government is supported by the people, and not the people by the government, what else was to be done with Mr. Blaine, except to discharge him, is not apparent, "mean," or not, as it may seem to some people who complain of billion dollar Congresses.

NO MATTER how wrong Mr. Gladstone may be about many other things, that he is right on the subject of the demoralizing, so-called, independence of the American women, is so plain that those who run may read. The best and happiest condition of women, present and future, is that in which wives are subservient to their husbands and daughters to their parents. Who could possibly take more real interest in their welfare?

BY THE new orders on the subject, there will be a considerable decrease in the number of arrests under federal laws this, than last year, as all fees in such cases have been so reduced as to make them, in the language of some of the deputy marshals, "cost more than they come to." A double good purpose will thereby be effected: expense will be saved, and innocent people be spared a great deal of trouble.

PRESENT APPEARANCES indicate that the Chicago fair will be comparatively a local affair, and be attended almost entirely by Americans, and chiefly by those of its own neighborhood. Intelligence from the foreign offices of European steamship lines is to the effect that fewer berths for the approaching summer and fall have been engaged than for corresponding periods in several previous years.

THE house of Dan Erickson, of Bradford, Minn., was burned yesterday with all the household effects, and the man, his wife and two children were cremated alive. Two of his neighbors had spent part of the day with Erickson and the three drank liberally of liquor. While attempting to light his pipe in a drunken condition, Erickson dropped it and set fire to the house.

FROM WASHINGTON. (Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) WASHINGTON, April 19, 1893. For the first time since the adjournment of the Senate the White House to-day was free to all who came to see the President and, contrary to the expectation of a number of interested observers, there was no great rush of office-seekers. Senators and Representatives came slowly between the hours of eleven and twelve o'clock and at noon all others who came on business were admitted. There was a great crowd of these and Mr. Cleveland had his hands full attending to their wants, but an hour sufficed for the reception of all. There were no appointments to-day. Hereafter the appointments will be made public at noon, and at that hour only.

The President expects to be absent from Washington about a week in attendance upon the naval review and the sailing of the World's fair. He will go to New York next week and remain until the official ceremonies connected with the review are over. A short rest will follow his return to Washington and he will then leave for Chicago to be absent three or four days. Mr. Cleveland will not attend the naval rendezvous in Hampton Roads and Mrs. Cleveland will not accompany her husband to Chicago, although she will go with him to New York.

The Italian squadron sailed from Bermuda for Hampton Roads on the 17th inst., and is expected to reach the Roads to-morrow. The fleet is composed of the cruisers Etna and Dagali, conveying the Columbus caravels Santa Maria, Pinta and Nina. The Brazilian squadron also sailed for the Roads from Barbados on the 15th inst. It is expected that they will reach the Roads Saturday or Sunday next.

There were twenty-eight fourth-class passengers on the steamer, of whom only three will take the places of removed republicans. The changes in Virginia were as follows: Grundy, Buchanan county, C. T. Watkins, appointed postmaster, vice J. F. Ratcliff, resigned; Moulsh, Lancaster county, L. D. Stoneham, vice R. C. Wright, deceased.

Mr. Richardson of the Atlanta Journal, who has many friends in Alexandria, has returned here to look after the German consulate for which he is an applicant.

Congressman Meredith of Virginia returned from Philadelphia last night and is here to-day. He was at the Interior Department with Mr. Moran of Loudoun county, who is an applicant for a place as chief of division in that department.

Capt. Ham Sheperd of Warrenton returned here this morning. He is still confident that another exception in the anti-ex. rule will be made in his case, and that he will be reappointed to his old place as collector of internal revenue for the upper district of Virginia.

Messrs. Pennybacker and Brockenbrough of Virginia, though the latter, for several years, has resided in Oregon, were applicants for the same place in the service of the Interior Department, but being personal friends, each determined to withdraw in favor of the other, and they were insisting upon doing so when a friend of both informed them that while their self-sacrifice was highly commendable, it was entirely unnecessary, as he was personally cognizant of the fact that the place was promised to another man two weeks ago. And yet both these gentlemen had been allowed by the department since that time to come there day after day with recommendations and to bring Senators and Representatives with them to urge their claims.

The place of chief of division of private land claims in the Interior Department, for which Mr. Douglas Tyler of Loudoun county, Va., was an applicant, has been given to a man from West Virginia.

The people of this city are making a good deal of complaint about the disregard of the Constitution in respect of home rule. They say that of two of the justices of their new court one was taken from Maryland and one from Texas, and that now they hear that Arkansas is being searched for a negro to be the recorder of their deeds, and that the anti-home idea rule has naturally spread to the District Commissioners, who have ignored the residents of the city and brought a Marylander here to inspect their weights and measures.

Among the visitors here to-day is ex-Gov. Holliday of Virginia. He did not call at the White House or at any of the departments.

A delegation from Hamilton, Va., is here to-day in the contest for reelection of that place, who wants to be reappointed. Mr. French is the only other applicant.

NEWS OF THE DAY. Howard Clagett, a prominent lawyer of Washington, died last night.

Three Dundee whaling ships are returning with enormous cargoes of furs from the Antarctic region.

One hundred and twenty hours in the village of Jorjaladany, near Buda Pest, were destroyed by fire yesterday, and two persons were killed.

J. W. Stafford, a physician of Graham, near Bluefield, W. Va., blew his brains out yesterday while standing before a mirror in his wife's dressing room.

It was announced yesterday that the body of Jefferson Davis will lie in state at Atlanta on the 29th of May while on its way to its final resting place at Richmond.

Lord Randolph Churchill spoke in opposition to Mr. Gladstone's home rule bill in the House of Commons yesterday. Mr. John Morley, chief secretary of Ireland, replied.

During the past two or three weeks large numbers of Chinamen have been coming to Savannah from Havana through Tampa, some of them stopping in Savannah and others moving on North.

Neighbors of Mrs. William Geiser, of Paterson, N. J., are superstitious enough to think she is a witch and are overcome at the thought that she may have them conveyed to the infernal regions.

A dispatch to the Independence Belge, Brussels, from the Congo, reports that Captain Vanckerhoven, the famous military officer of the Congo Free State, is dead, death having been caused by an accident.

Chas. W. Heitzberger, the general manager of the St. Louis Dressed Beef and Provision Company, committed suicide in the slaughter house of the company's place of business, yesterday. The cause was despondency.

According to observation made in the southern hemisphere during Sunday's eclipse, great storms are raging on the sun. Many spots and faculae were apparent. This solar disturbance may have something to do with our current terrestrial storms and quakes.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dennison Allen, a granddaughter of President John Tyler and daughter of the Rev. Henry Denison, an eminent divine of the Episcopal church, and Rev. James Henry Williams, rector of Christ Church, Nashville, Tenn., were married in Staunton yesterday.

John M. Clark, half-owner of the Freeman Manufacturing Company's woollenware plant at Calaska, Mich., met a horrible death Monday night. While standing near a row of small saws, he fell forward upon them, and two parallel gashes three inches deep and five inches apart were cut from his breast to his abdomen. He lived for a few hours.

A comparison of the work and duration of the extra session which has just closed with corresponding extra sessions called at the beginning of the late administration and at the commencement of Mr. Cleveland's first presidential term, shows that, contrary to the generally prevailing opinion, Mr. Cleveland in the session which has just closed has broken the record and made more appointments to office than any of his predecessors, exceeding the appointments of Mr. Harrison during the same time by more than 25.

The Belgium Chamber of Representatives yesterday adopted universal suffrage, with a provision for plural voting by the classes owning property. The labor leaders immediately advised the abandonment of a general strike. The action of Parliament is expected to have a quieting effect on the socialists, although the rioting continued in the principal cities. The recent demonstrations were directed against the Chamber of Deputies and not against the King, who was known to be in favor of a wide extension of the suffrage.

VIRGINIA NEWS. Mrs. L. E. Ream, mother of Mrs. Vinnie Ream Hoxie, the sculptor, died in Washington yesterday.

Derian Hunt, of Chatham, Pittsylvania county, fell down a flight of steps yesterday and his neck was broken.

Robert Adams, of Campbell county, died yesterday from an overdose of laudanum taken to afford relief from pain.

Dr. John B. Hambleton, of Washington, will not allow the body of his dead wife to be buried, claiming suspended animation.

Mrs. Mary Brockebrough, widow of the late Judge John W. Brockebrough, died in Lexington yesterday, in the 84th year of her age.

E. B. Gold, a student at the University of Virginia, died yesterday after an illness of several weeks. The remains will be taken to Berryville for interment.

Mrs. Lillie Hoomes Corbin, wife of the late James Parke Corbin, died at the residence of her son-in-law, H. C. Bowie, in Caroline county yesterday morning, aged sixty-five years.

August 9 has been named as the day for a grand gathering of Virginians at the Chicago Fair. On that day the 27th anniversary of the assembling at Jamestown of the first representative legislative body of Americans will occur.

Mr. Josiah Kinker, an aged and respectable citizen, who resided near Gainesboro, Frederick county, died yesterday. He was kicked by a horse Monday evening while entering his barn and suffered great agony until his death. He leaves a widow and three children.

Ambrose Majors and John Green, colored boys, broke into and robbed the home of Dr. A. L. Wolfe, of Shenandoah, Sunday night, securing \$50. The boys were arrested, and are now in jail at Luray. The postoffice at Shenandoah was broken into the same night, and stamps to the value of \$100 stolen.

AN INTERESTING INDIAN RELIC.—Mr. Henry Bailey, our well-known and popular Narrow Passage fur raiser, brought to our office a few days ago a very interesting relic of the stirring days of long ago in the shape of what is generally supposed to have been an Indian weapon of war. It is made of a hard, flinty sandstone, and was evidently part of a war club. It is round at one end, elongated and slightly tapering from the middle to the other end which is hollowed out to the depth of a half inch. Around the largest part it measures twelve inches, and is about four inches through the longest portion.

It will weigh nearly three pounds. This relic is doubly interesting on account of having been found near the bank of Narrow Passage a short distance below the Bemis mills, and at what has been always claimed as the spot upon which the last blood was shed by Indians in that section. This last incursion was made by a very small party of Indians numbering but seven warriors. Of course the usual exaggerations prevailed, and the few and widely scattered settlers hurried to the fort at Woodstock for safety. At the place above mentioned these seven Indians overtook a Mr. Sheetz who, with the women and children of his family and an old man by the name of Snyder, were on their way to the fort in a small one horse wagon. A desperate struggle at once took place, Sheetz and the old man Snyder fighting like heroes in defence of the women and children until both were killed, but not until they had killed one and wounded another of their dusky foes.

The Indians then attacked the parties in the wagon, but the women, instead of fainting away and becoming easy prey, fought with axes like demons, resisting the attempt of the Indians to drag the little ones from the wagon, and to such good purpose that one warrior was soon mortally wounded and another badly so. At such unexpected and determined resistance the savages recoiled in dismay and one of the women whipping up the horse they succeeded in reaching the fort without further danger, the foe being too badly used up to attempt a pursuit. This was the last war party of Indians to the Valley. It was upon the spot where, in all probability, this last but bloody fight took place that the relic mentioned above was found. It having doubtless been one of the weapons used by the Indians in the struggle.

The Naval Review. The German warships Kaiserin Augusta and Seeadler arrived in Hampton Roads yesterday evening to take part in the naval review, bringing away salutes as they came along. Like the Englishman, the Germans began saluting the national ensign while still underway, firing in turn every gun from amidship to bow. The fort responded, gun for gun. When the stranger came abreast of the Philadelphia she saluted the flags of the two admirals between whom she passed. The American and the Englishman returned the compliment, and by the time the firing ceased the Kaiserin Augusta and her consort left slip their anchors west of the Jean Bart and next to the Holland. The Kaiserin Augusta, Commander Bulchels, is next to the Blake, the most formidable-looking vessel that has joined the combined fleets. To-day the Kaiserin Augusta and the Holland and the Hussard will visit and be visited by the captains of the German vessels. Yesterday evening a boat race between crews from the Chicago and Philadelphia resulted in a victory for the former.

DISSOLUTION OF PASTORAL RELATIONS.—The dissolution of the pastoral relations existing between Rev. Dr. James T. Leftwich and the First Church, which the Presbytery of Baltimore was called upon to perform yesterday, was one of the most touching and impressive duties which has come before it for many years. Dr. Leftwich asked for the action at the morning session. His eye-sight, he said, had become so bad that he could hardly read. Dr. Jones, stated clerk, read the action of the session and congregation of the First Church when Dr. Leftwich notified them of his intention to resign, and asked them to unite with him in requesting the presbytery to dissolve their pastoral relations. Messrs. W. W. Spence, as representative of the session, John V. L. Findlay, as that of the trustees, and Dr. Daniel C. Gilman, as representative of the congregation, made speeches, in which they enumerated Dr. Leftwich's many virtues and reluctantly agreed to the separation.—Baltimore Sun.

COMMUNICATED. The Papal Delegate and his Decisions. Permit a Catholic who has studied the decisions of Mgr. Stollini with some care, to correct two or three errors into which the GAZETTE has fallen as to those decisions. In the first place he has not properly attempted "to break up the parochial schools," but has cordially approved and commended them as the ordinary means for the education of Catholic children. All that he has done is to suggest the best available methods of educating such children in their faith as well as in secular science, where good parochial schools cannot be maintained, and to curb the mistakable of those who would use the censures of the Church in an unreasonable manner in the premises by restricting the rightful liberty of her members, who are simply bound in conscience, by the law of God, to see that their children receive a thoroughly Catholic education, in all things relating to faith and morals.

As to secret societies, the Catholic Church does not approve them, nor does Mgr. Stollini. But it is one thing to approve and quite another to condemn. All that he has done in the matter is to provide for an examination into the character of each particular organization, to see whether it is so dangerous to Catholic faith or morals that condemnation is necessary, and to advise Catholics not to become members until a decision is arrived at; while those who are already members, whether through ignorance or through indifference to it, are permitted, as justice would seem to require, to remain in membership pending that decision.

As to the case of Dr. McGlynn, the GAZETTE entirely overlooks the fact that the decision of the papal delegate is merely an appeal from the archdiocesan court of New York, on a point in which many Catholics, both clerical and lay, thought him unjustly treated, and has no connection whatever with subsequent acts of his, which they strongly disapproved but which have not, as he had already been excommunicated, been brought before the ecclesiastical tribunals.

All these things are mere matters of discipline, and the Catholic Church, while maintaining her dogmas of faith and morals in all ages invariable and without regard to consequences, has always altered her discipline when she could do so without prejudice to those dogmas, to suit the usages of every country and of every age. A CATHOLIC.

THINGS HOUSEKEEPERS SHOULD KNOW.—When the fire in the range fails to burn brightly and the draft is imperfect, we decide that the chimney requires attention and the range must be cleaned, and hasten to send for a man who understands it to come and do the work, when, placing a few pieces of zinc on the hot coals we will find (unless something serious is the matter with the flue) that it has been cleaned by this simple means, the draft is good and the fire burns as brightly as ever.

Never throw away a piece of zinc: if it is used in the kitchen around the range save all the trimmings, when the edges become broken or ragged and must be cut off, and when at last it is worn out and has to be replaced, save the old piece, cut it up with an old pair of shears or bend and break it into pieces and occasionally throw some of it on the coals when you have a hot fire and it will seldom be necessary to have the flue cleaned.

Don't think you must purchase some expensive material for cleansing the obstinate tins which will persist in looking dull when you want them to shine; scour them with whitening moistened with kerosene, and you will be pleased with the result.

Another simple help (easily obtained) is the use of oyster shells. Place one in the tea kettle and it will keep the crust from forming on the inside. When the clinkers begin to collect on the firebrick, after using the poker, etc., until you begin to despair of getting them off without breaking the brick, place a few oyster shells on the coals when the fire is hot, and see how soon the clinkers will scale off.

If we only keep our eyes open we may find many helpful friends in the despised accumulation usually burnt or thrown aside as rubbish.

If your chamois has been misplaced or worn out, the powder gone, with no chance of replenishing it, or any of your favorite helps for rapid window cleaning, do not decide that it will be drudgery without them, but try newspapers, and I am sure you will use them in the future in preference to the expensive help which you used to consider necessary. Rub a large piece of newspaper in the hands until soft, wipe off the glass with a damp cloth, and quickly polish it with the paper, the printer's ink will make the glass shine and you will be surprised to find how quickly it is done.

MARK TWAIN'S REQUEST.—According to a Washington letter in the St. Louis Republic, Secretary Morton recently received the following letter from Mark Twain:

"New York, April 6, 1893. 'To the Hon. J. Sterling Morton—Dear Sir: Your petitioner, Mark Twain, a poor farmer of Connecticut, in the opinion of the board here in the opinion of you—desires a free choice of seeds of seed corn (maize), and in return will zealously support the administration in all ways honorable and otherwise. To speak by the card, I want these things to carry to Italy to an English lady. She is a neighbor of mine outside of Florence, and has a great garden and thinks she could raise corn for her table if she had the right ammunition. I myself feel a warm interest in this enterprise, both on patriotic grounds and because I have a key to that garden, which I got made from a wax impression. It is not very good soil, still I think she can raise enough for one year and I am in a position to select the table. I have no one to aid and abet, a countryman (and Gilder thinks you are), please find the signature and address of your petitioner here. Respectfully and truly yours, 'Mark Twain, 97 Fifth Avenue, New York.'"

"P. S.—A handful of choice (Southern) watermelon seeds would pleasantly add to that lady's employments and give my table a corresponding life."

SECRETARY MORTON complied with the request.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS. Foreign News. BERLIN, April 19.—Count Bismarck-Schierstein, head of the noble and ancient house of Bismarck-Schoenhagen, to which Prince Bismarck belongs, died yesterday at Schierstein. The deceased was born in 1809, and was a cousin of Prince Bismarck.

BEGRAD, April 19.—Many of the liberal States officials have resigned in consequence of the coup d'etat, which has resulted in the appointment of a radical ministry and the consequent ascendancy of that party in all political questions. The members of the municipal councils of Belgrade, Semendria and Posharevatz attempted to hold meetings in the town halls at those places, but were ejected by gendarmes, and radicals who formerly held the offices were reinstated. The liberal party is indignant at the course which is being followed by the government.

LONDON, April 19.—The debate on the second reading of the home rule bill concluded on Friday. Early in the day Mr. Gladstone delivered a speech on the subject which will be followed by the right Hon. A. J. Balfour, the conservative leader in the House. Mr. Balfour will be the last speaker prior to the taking of the vote.

The story given out yesterday that the Dowager Duchess of Sutherland, who was sentenced to six weeks imprisonment in jail for contempt of court, had been locked up, was erroneous. After the imposition of the sentence the Dowager Duchess obtained an order permitting her to go to a villa near Windsor with the understanding that she would surrender herself to-day. It is now announced that she was taken suddenly ill at 4 o'clock this morning.

VIENNA, April 19.—Two cases of cholera, and one death from the disease are reported from Omutz, in Bukovina. Four cases have occurred in Neve Mamapovec.

PRAGUE, April 19.—Forty houses at Slivno a village of Bohemia, have been destroyed by fire. Four persons were killed and forty injured.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., April 19.—At noon Superintendent Williams announced that it had been ascertained positively that all the men had escaped from the inundated slope. The colliery is operated by the Mining and Railroad Company, and five hundred hands are employed. The damage to the mine is not serious.

THE "John Bull" Engine. PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 19.—The "John Bull" engine and old train arrived in Pittsburgh on time this morning. The trip during the late hours of the night was without incident. "John Bull" was slightly "wheeled" after the run over the Allegheny mountains and was taken to the shop where needed repairs were made. At Union station crowds viewed the relics. In Allegheny City thousands of children from the public schools as well as citizens without number lined the tracks and gave the train a royal welcome.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES. Flannigan Thornton, slayer of Constable Charles Tate, was lynched this morning at Morrilton, Ark.

Fire gutted the trunk and harness shop in the yard of the state prison in Charestown, Mass., early this morning. A dispatch from the City of Mexico reports the death of August B. Chiesbright, the celebrated Belgian naturalist and botanist.

The elections throughout Illinois yesterday were mainly on the saloon and anti-saloon question and the wets had the best of it throughout the State.

President Montt, of Chili, has formally accepted the resignations of the members of his cabinet. Senor Errazuriz hopes to form a new ministry by to-morrow.

McCafferty & Wislard, of Memphis, yesterday Tenn., killed a valuable six-year-old gelding. The horse developed inflammation of the brain from kidney trouble and actually went crazy.

The explosion in the Buck Ivanhoe tunnel, near Leadville, Col., yesterday, was the most terrific imaginable and seven men were killed and a number blown from the scene of the accident.

Water from the old Fiddle Green working near Shamokin, Pa., broke into the Luke Fiddler colliery this morning. A number of men escaped, but it is not known as yet whether all the men are out.

A new emigrant steamship line, under the direction of the North German Lloyd, has been started, and the first steamer of the service, the Gulf of Mexico, will arrive in New York in a few days.

The Pelican saw mill and a million feet of lumber near New Orleans were destroyed by fire last night. Thirty cottages in the vicinity and a pile driver also burned. The loss foots up a hundred thousand dollars.

The Lansing, Mich., Iron and Engine Works and Lumber Company are in an embarrassed condition, and O. M. Barnes has pledged his fortune of nearly a million dollars in order to save the credit of the concerns. There is considerable uneasiness in financial circles in Lansing on account of the trouble.

David Aney, a wealthy resident of Upper Harmony, near Easton, Pa., and his wife drove into Easton yesterday to visit friends. A team of horses ran into them from the rear, smashing their carriage and throwing out the occupants. The runaway horses dragged Mr. Aney for two squares, causing injuries from which he died. Mrs. Aney is badly hurt.

A dispatch from Boston says Rev. William Nelson McVicker, of Holy Trinity Church, that city, has been unanimously agreed upon by the Broad Church conference of Episcopalians as their candidate for bishop of Massachusetts, to succeed the late Phillips Brooks.