



TUESDAY EVENING, AUG. 13, 1901.

FROM WASHINGTON.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) Washington, August 13.

Bear Admiral Evans, it is stated, will take no action in respect to the reprint administered by the Navy Department for his publication criticizing the official action of ex-Secretary Chandler. The extraordinary feature about the Department's reprint is that it was administered without any previous notice to an explanation by the Acting Secretary on the prima facie evidence of the passage. Naval officers are greatly agitated by what they declare to be a clear violation of precedent and regulation. The Department reprimanded Captain Chadwick and Captain Ogblan, the former for an alleged interview, the latter for reciting "Hoch der Kaiser" in a New York club. In each case an explanation was asked of the offending officer. The action of the Secretary of the Navy establishes an important precedent, as it apparently exempts from criticism by naval officers any official action by a secretary even after his retirement from office.

Minister Wu has asked the Bureau of Immigration to find Julia Yee a young Chinese girl who is supposed to have been denied admittance to the country on the border line between the United States and Canada. Miss Yee is the daughter of a Chinese official and was accompanied by a missionary named Miss Martin. She has one brother who is a teacher at the Hong Kong mission school and another living in Pennsylvania. The brother in Hong Kong wrote the Chinese Minister some time ago to be on the lookout for his sister when she arrived. A day or two ago Mr. Wu got a letter from the Pennsylvania brother asking why the girl had been detained by the immigration authorities. Commissioner of Immigration Powderly can find no trace in his records that any person bearing a name at all similar to Julia's has been stopped by his inspectors. The ship named by the girl's brother touched at one of the western Canadian ports.

It was authoritatively stated at the Navy Department this afternoon that Admiral Sampson would be summoned to testify before the Schley court of inquiry. The appointment was made to satisfy restorers to the contrary published in the local press. It had been said that the efforts of Sampson's friends to save him from the ordeal of cross-examination at the hands of Schley's counsel gave promise of success. It seems, however, that the Navy Department is determined to give Admiral Schley every opportunity for the most thorough investigation of his command during the West Indian campaign which would not be possible without Admiral Sampson's personal testimony.

It is rumored that Madame Regina Regnifo, widow of the late General Julio Regnifo, of Colombia, is engaged to M. Eugene Thibaut, recently First Secretary of the French Embassy, in Washington. Madame Regnifo is a native of Washington, daughter of the late James L. Barbour, a wealthy merchant. Her marriage to General Regnifo, Charac of Colombia, occurred in 1895 and was a brilliant society event. In June, 1899, General Regnifo was appointed Minister of Finance at Bogota and on the way to his post was drowned in the Magdalena river.

Secretary Gage has written a letter to Appraiser Wilbur F. Wakeman, at New York, in which he has expressed his recent criticism of the Treasury department. Mr. Wakeman recently made some appointments and transfers that the New York Board of Trade and Transportation claimed were contrary to law. The department was referred to the Civil Service Commission for an opinion and the latter authority decided that the transfers of four men from the appraiser's store to the Treasury were proper. Secretary Gage has approved the Civil Service Commission's finding, and the men will be sent back to their original places.

Arrangements have been made by the Postoffice Department for the display of weather signals from the wagons of the rural free delivery, and the innovation will shortly go into effect. Reports from the Weather Bureau will be forwarded to all rural free delivery routes, and the signals will be carried on his route, and large signals will be displayed on the sides of the wagons so that all farmers along the route may be able to read them at a considerable distance.

Senator Herran, the Colombian charge d'affaires here, was greatly disappointed today because of his failure to receive mail advice from his troubled native land. "I have no news from Colombia," he said, "than the newspapers tell me. I am sure that the relations between Colombia and Venezuela are strained, but I cannot say it is to the point of war. It is evident that there is an understanding between General Uribe, the Colombian rebel, and President Castro, of Venezuela, and that the former is at the front with the Venezuelan troops. The declaration that this is a movement of every sort for the purpose of a union of Venezuela, Colombia and Ecuador is a subterfuge and cannot be realized by force." The State Department up to noon today had received no additional information from Venezuela, Ecuador or Colombia.

Not long ago the War department appointed "Miss Fannie Wadsworth" of Lowell, Neb., as one of the teachers selected to go to the Philippines. The department was informed that transportation was not sent her. A few days later a telegram was received at the War department to the following effect: "Cancel Mrs. Wadsworth's appointment. She is my wife. She has children. Signed Geo. Wadsworth." The department was informed by the department. Her reply was as follows: "Am Geo. Wadsworth's wife. He has seven-year-old child. I have no children. Geo. Wadsworth is dead. He was from again. She has two children," he was telegraphed. "Hope department is not in business of taking wife from husband and mother from children." The department again received assurance from the teacher that she wanted to go to the Philippines and that there was nothing here to keep her from it. The transportation was furnished. She is now en route to Manila.

Mail advice, dated July 8, from the legation of the United States at Bogota received at the State Department today, announces the arrest and imprisonment of prominent friends of the former Government. The present President of Colombia, the present government of Senator J. M. Maroquin, who was vice president at the time of the coup d'etat by which Dr. Sanclemente was deposed in July last year, has taken these measures upon information that the National Assembly's supporters had joined with the Liberals, who are said to be showing increased strength and activity in the revolution.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The new Chinese tariff puts foreign cereals, flour, rice, gold and silver, on the free list.

The body of Empress Frederick was yesterday taken from Cronberg to Potsdam for burial.

Of the \$280,000 in gold bullion stolen by Jack Winters in San Francisco \$200,000 has so far been recovered.

In the trial races of the yacht at Newport, R. I., yesterday, the Columbia defeated the Constitution.

The Sultan has practically yielded to the French demand with reference to the quay company concession.

The Cotton Manufacturers' Association, of Fall River, Mass., has ordered a cut of 14 per cent. in the wages of their 30,000 weavers.

The cornerstone of a new Catholic church was laid at La Plata, Charles county, Maryland, yesterday, by Cardinal Martinelli.

The cooks in the kitchen of the King's palace at Madrid struck yesterday on account of certain grievances, and no regular meals were served.

The Alabama constitutional convention has provided by the decisive vote of 65 to 45 that women who hold property may vote in municipal elections involving bond issues.

The diamond sunburst, said to be worth \$20,000, lost at Atlantic City by Mrs. W. L. Walker, of Washington, D. C., has been recovered. It was found in an omnibus by John Williams, a driver.

The little village of Wallington, N. J., is aroused over a case similar to the Jennie Borschetter case in Paterson. Teresa Jones, nineteen years old, is in a critical condition. She says seven men drugged and attacked her.

Jack Winters of San Francisco, in his confession of the \$200,000 steal, says it took him six weeks to dig the tunnel leading to the vault and two nights to get through the foundation. It is generally believed that Winters will plead guilty and receive a light sentence.

J. M. Saunders, an American who has been making excavations in a remote section of the State of Guerrero, Mexico, reports the discovery of the ruins of a large ancient city, which must have had a population at one time of at least 50,000. The city was located on a mountain side that is reached by hard climbing.

The government in the British House of Commons was defeated last night in the course of a debate on the factory bill. The House supported by 163 to 141 a proposal opposed by the government, that textile factories should close an hour earlier. The opposition and the Irish members cheered wildly. Home Secretary Ritchie announced that the government would accept the decision.

The rain yesterday caused a postponement of the Albemarle horse show until Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Miss Anne Wingfield, one of the best-known ladies of Charlottesville, died Sunday, in the eighty-third year of her age.

Mr. J. H. Lindsey, of Charlottesville, declines to be a candidate for the State Senate. He is a member of the constitutional convention.

Mr. John F. Ryan of Loudoun, ex-Speaker of the House of Delegates, is a candidate for the next Legislature, with apparently no opposition.

Mrs. A. A. Catlett, a well-known lady of Spotsylvania county, died yesterday at her home near Fredericksburg, aged seventy years. Six grown children survive her.

It is announced that Mr. Judge Hawkins, chief clerk to the secretary of the commonwealth, will be a candidate before the next legislature to succeed Mr. Lawless.

Judge Waddill, of the United States District Court, who left Richmond a few days ago for Rockbridge Alum Springs in bad health, is reported as improving rapidly.

Dr. Gulems Smith, a prominent dentist of Richmond, died Sunday night while visiting at the home of a friend in Spotsylvania county, after a week's illness, aged seventy-one years.

William H. Lowe, a well-known alleged doctor of Henrico, is locked in the county jail, charged with the murder of his wife, Martha Eoroughly Lowe, who had been sick about three years.

Fruit growers in Frederick county, especially the apple raisers, are making preparations to handle the apple crop, which, while it will not be as large as in some former years, will be of excellent quality.

Roanoke was visited yesterday afternoon by the fourth storm of the season. The streets were flooded, and many small streams were out of their banks. Considerable damage was done. A terrific rain storm also raged over Lynchburg and that section yesterday, doing great damage.

Virginia is soon to have a trial of lynchers and make a test whether these violators of the law can be convicted. Commonwealth's Attorney Buford, of Brunswick, is in Richmond. He says that he has had a grand jury summoned to investigate the lynching of Joseph Walton, colored, for criminal assault upon a woman.

As stated yesterday Assistant Postmaster John G. Pole and his family, while attempting to cross a mountain stream Sunday, about six miles from Lexington, were swept down by the waters of a cloudburst, and his wife and three daughters, aged from one to eight years, were drowned. Mr. Pole and a daughter about three years old escaped. The bodies were recovered.

Although Judge Lunsford L. Lewis has written to several friends in private correspondence that he cannot allow his name to be used as a candidate for governor, many leading republicans are not willing to defer to his private wishes. General Edgar Allan is of the opinion that Judge L. L. Lewis will be nominated for the governorship of Virginia by the republicans of Roanoke on the 21st instant.

Col. Charles G. Gee, deputy collector of internal revenue, reported to Col. Ingram, the revenue agent of Richmond, yesterday, particulars of the raid that resulted in the destruction of a large illicit distillery near South Hill, in Mecklenburg county, last Wednesday. The most sensational incident of the raid was the attempt of the moonshiners to wreck a train on which Deputy Gee was travelling to South Hill, by placing four great angle bar bolts on the railroad track about 300 yards from the point where the deputy was to leave the train.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Strike Situation. McKeesport, Pa., Aug. 13.—Shortly after midnight a force of boys in the butt welding department of the National Tube Co. joined the ranks of the strikers, and the indications are the entire plant will be closed down this evening. The Monongahela blast furnaces will be operated for a few days at least and output stopped. The blast furnaces, the seamless tube works, the national galvanizing works and the Fifth sterling projectile works are the only iron mills operating in their entirety.

Cleveland, Aug. 13.—Though the Crescent Tin Plate Mill successfully landed 16 strike breakers inside the mill gates last night and expect another car load this morning, still at 8 o'clock this morning the mill had not started.

Pittsburg, Aug. 13.—The officials of the labor unions have not given up hope of inducing the amalgamated men in the west to join the strike. President Shaffer, it is stated, has received assurances from Chicago that if pressure is brought to bear on the men of the Federal mills and if it is shown that their help is needed for the success of the strike, that they will join the ranks of the men already idle. President Shaffer said there was no change in the situation since yesterday other than the strike of the McKeesport boys. Every day he said, "is seemingly going our way and the reports that we are fearful of defeat is absurd. Never were we more confident of success. I have not yet heard officially from the west, but I have no doubt that all will come right in the end." The call for financial aid which was sent out yesterday is already meeting with gratifying responses.

Pittsburg, Aug. 13.—Ten of the Carnegie men joined the strikers this afternoon. The rollers did not leave. The management says the works will no way be crippled. It is now running with a new crew.

Cleveland, Aug. 13.—About 9 o'clock the Crescent Tin Plate branch of the steel trust succeeded in starting one of its six mills. There was no trouble.

Pittsburg, Aug. 13.—A rumor has been persistently going the rounds today that the strikers at the Paolter works on the south side have become suspicious as to the motives of the strike and that they had notified their employers of willingness to return to work, whenever called upon. More than 75 per cent of the men on strike at the Paolter mills on the south side are said to have decided to return to work. They have notified the officials in charge of the plant that they are ready and willing to go to work when called upon. It is possible that the entire quota of the employees will return to work as soon as the improvements which are now being made are completed. Two mills will likely start in the morning. This information, coming as it does from a reliable source, gives rise to the fact that the backbone of the strike is broken. The refusal of the men of the Federal Steel Company in the west to strike has seemingly disheartened many of the idle men and the trust officials are confident that the strike will soon be a thing of the past.

Reading, Aug. 13.—Vice President Woodrow Wilson of Philadelphia and Reading came up from Philadelphia this morning to confer with company officials. He regards the strike as practically ended.

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 13.—Attorney General Sheets is contemplating proceedings against the steel trust. He believes that U. S. Attorney General Knox should begin proceedings for the purpose of compelling the State of Ohio to have jurisdiction over the steel company which is protected so far as State laws are concerned by the trust statutes of New Jersey.

Chicago, Aug. 13.—M. F. Tighe, assistant secretary of the Amalgamated Association, is expected here this afternoon and will at once confer with the local labor leaders with a view to having the strike vote reconsidered. Vice President Davis, the only man who went on strike here last for John last night to confer with the strikers at the Great Western tin plate company's plant.

New York, Aug. 13.—A Financial News bureau sent out the statement today that President Schwab, of the steel trust, told friends last night that he was confident of a speedy collapse of the strike. The statement is partially responsible for the strength of the U. S. steel stocks.

Funeral of the Dowager Empress. Potsdam, Aug. 13.—The remains of the late Dowager Empress Frederick were deposited in their last resting place soon after noon today. The remains were placed in the imperial hearse which was drawn by eight horses, led by eight officers of the general staff. The corners of the baldachin were born by four knights of the order of the Black Eagle. Between eight and nine o'clock the bells of Potsdam were tolled, but in accordance with the wish of the Empress there were no other signs of mourning except the masted flag. The inhabitants of the houses along the route of the procession were ordered not to appear at their windows or in their gardens. The funeral procession headed by Kaiser Wilhelm and King Edward reached the mausoleum soon after 12:30 o'clock. The members of the imperial family and the foreign princes also entered. Court Chaplain Prince Bismarck delivered a prayer and pronounced the benediction. Then the coffin was placed on the left side of the sarcophagus of Emperor Frederick. The royal mourners remained some time, kneeling around the coffin and praying silently.

Paris, Aug. 13.—Memorial services for the late Dowager Empress Frederick were held in the German Protestant Church here today. The Marquis of Salisbury, U. S. Ambassador Choate and others were present at the ceremonies. Bishop Winchester officiated.

A dispatch from Caracas states that the Venezuelan troops have gained a signal victory over the Colombian troops, who are now in full retreat.

Salvation. On the best of the Boston Herald, 20 cents large bottle, 25 cents Great cure on earth for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Soreness, Sprains, Backache, Stiffness, Cuts, Bruises, Wounds, Swellings, Burns, Frost-bites, Salivation Oozes, all pains Sold by Richard Gibson and all druggists.

What most people want is something mild and gentle, when in need of a physic. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets fill the bill to a dot. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by Richard Gibson, druggist.

CITY COUNCIL.

The business transacted by the City Council last night was mostly of a routine nature. The deadlock in the Board of Aldermen, however, was broken and legislation is once more progressing. There had been several conferences during the day at each of which the clouds seemed to be breaking, and shortly before the board was called to order it was apparent that a president would be chosen and that in order to do so the lot, which had several times been suggested, would be resorted to. This was done and the deadlock was soon a thing of the past.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN. A large crowd of spectators gathered without the bar to witness the proceedings, most of them supposing the same drama which had been enacted at each meeting since the first of July was to be continued. They were, however, disappointed, as while they were surging in and securing points of vantage to witness the proceedings the principals to the tie-up were formulating plans to unravel it in short order. There was considerable confusion and it was finally determined the lot should be drawn. Two slips of paper, complete facsimiles of each other, that he wrote on one the name of Theo. Ballenger and on the other that of John T. Sweeney; and that he told them exactly alike and that he placed them in a hat and request Mayor Simpson to draw one of the slips with the understanding that the name of the gentleman appearing on the slip so drawn should receive the unanimous vote of the board for president. The directions were carried out in their entirety and the Mayor drew one of the slips which bore the name of Mr. Sweeney. An attempt was made to start applause by some of the spectators, but there was no disposition to exultation, every one being pleased with the termination of the six weeks' wrangle, and friends of both candidates manifested the best feeling toward each other.

All the members were present save Mr. W. H. Sweeney, and the clerk called the board to order and read the communication of the Mayor giving his reason for calling the meeting.

The clerk stated that nominations for president were in order, when Mr. Ballenger nominated Mr. Sweeney.

Mr. Hill suggested that the clerk call the vote of the board for Mr. Sweeney, which was accordingly done and that gentleman took the chair. In doing so he returned his thanks to the board and expressed his gratification of the fact that the members of the board had finally fixed upon a plan by which a chairman could be selected and business proceed. He said that while serving as president it would be his aim to give due recognition to every member and deal fairly and courteously. He recognized the fact that there should be co-operation on the part of the members of the board in order to discharge the duties incumbent upon the members as Aldermen. He again thanked the board for the honor conferred.

The president then announced the committees on the part of the Council, which will be found in the official proceedings. The formation of the committees had been previously agreed upon by all the members.

A pile of papers which during the past six weeks had come in from the other board was then read and the action of the Common Council concurred in on all save one—a preamble and resolution requesting the Board of Police Commissioners not to fill any vacancies on the police force until the committee considering the proposition for a reduction of that force shall have reported.

Mr. Clark said he was opposed to a reduction of the force. He thought there were not enough men for the duties required of them. He recently walked over one of the beats in company with an officer and was satisfied no man could properly patrol such an area and be effective in the discharge of his duty. He favored increasing the force instead of diminishing it. There should be, he thought, twenty-four men instead of nineteen. Mr. Clark moved to lay the paper on the table.

Mr. Ballenger seconded the motion. The president and Mr. Burke suggested that the preamble and resolution carried nothing with them. They merely asked the commissioners not to fill any vacancy until it was settled whether or not the force was to be reduced.

The paper was finally laid on the table by a vote of 4 to 3.

Mr. Rishell, from the lower board, appeared in the chamber with a resolution, passed by the Common Council, providing that when Council adjourned it be to meet on the fourth Tuesday in August. He also stated that the lower board was ready to adjourn.

Mr. Ballenger moved to amend the resolution by making it read until the second Tuesday in October, saying that should the occasion require it the Mayor could at any time call a meeting of Council.

Mr. Burke said the City Engineer had some business to present which would need attention before October.

It was agreed that the Mayor could at any time call a meeting, and Mr. Ballenger's amendment was finally adopted by a unanimous vote.

The Common Council, however, adhered to its action and returned the resolution, when the Aldermen read that of the Common Council.

The board then adjourned.

COMMON COUNCIL. The president took the chair soon after 8 o'clock and read a message from the Mayor, stating that as in all probability there would be no quorum at the regular meeting of the boards to-morrow night, he had called the boards together tonight.

Mr. McEuen presented a petition signed by O. S. Fulman and others, asking that the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen and Common Council be held at the intersection of Alfred and Franklin streets be repaired. The paper stated that the light had not burned more than twenty-five minutes each night for some time past.

Mr. Snowden introduced a resolution requesting the Police Board to fill no vacancies on the police force until the City Council shall have acted upon the ordinance to gradually reduce the force, which was previously adopted.

President Paff then stated that he was ready to name the various committees. He stated that he had been confronted with a difficult problem in assigning the members of the various committees, but feeling that he had been entirely impartial to every one, he had no apologies to make.

The committees, which will be found in the official proceedings, were then announced. The Chair said he had,

Mr. Snowden's request, appointed that gentlemen on a committee requiring little work, and regretted that Mr. Snowden's business duties would deprive the city of his services on more important committees.

Mr. Snowden returned his thanks for the consideration shown him.

On motion of Mr. Trimmer it was resolved that when Council adjourns tonight it be to meet on the 4th Tuesday in August. Mr. Trimmer explained that this resolution was designed to avoid the need of a meeting tomorrow (Tuesday) night and carry the board over until the next regular August meeting.

The resolution soon came back from the Aldermen amended so as to make the adjournment to the 24 Tuesday in October.

Mr. Snowden moved to recede from the former action of Council and concur in that of the Aldermen. He said that under the rules of Council a meeting could be called at any time and whenever there was any business to transact.

Mr. Trimmer said he had expected that some such movement at delay would be made. There were many matters needing action, especially in relation to street improvements, and he hoped that Council would no-concur in the action of the Aldermen.

Mr. Snowden said he concurred in the main with Mr. Trimmer, who had prepared the resolution at his suggestion, but the Aldermen might not agree, as some of them were upon their summer outing, and the matter might generate trouble between the boards, which he hoped to avoid.

Mr. Johnson thought if the adjournment was made until October the committees would not be organized and a meeting before the close of the month would probably be necessary on their feet and get them into working order.

The resolution to concur with the Aldermen was lost and the action of Council stood unchanged.

No further business occasioned debate and the board soon adjourned.

OFFICIAL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a called meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Alexandria, Va., held August 12, 1901, the following were present: Messrs. Hill, Burke, Ballenger, Maibury, Clark, Curtin and J. T. Sweeney.

The clerk called the board to order and read a communication from George L. Simpson, Mayor, giving as his reason for calling the meeting the urgency of a statement of the next regular meeting. The communication was received.

It was stated that the first business in order was the election of a chairman, and on motion the clerk was directed to cast the vote of the board for Mr. J. T. Sweeney.

This was accordingly done and Mr. Sweeney assumed the duties of President. It had previously been determined in a conference of the members that in consequence of the failure of the board to elect a President after 17 ballots had been cast, the clerk be appointed a clerk of paper on the part of Messrs. J. T. Sweeney and Theo. Ballenger were to be elected; that they be appointed in a hat and that George L. Simpson be requested to draw one of said pieces of paper, and that the name of the member appearing on the slip be the unanimous choice of the board for the position. The name of Mr. Sweeney was on the slip drawn by the Mayor.

The President announced the following committees on the part of this board: Finance: Messrs. Sweeney and Burke. Light: Messrs. Clark and W. H. Sweeney. Streets: Messrs. Maibury and Curtin. Property: Messrs. Hill and Curtin. Claims: Messrs. Burke and Maibury. Police: Messrs. Ballenger and Sweeney. Schools: Messrs. W. H. Sweeney and Ballenger.

The following were received from the Common Council and their action concurred in: A resolution for the appointment of a joint committee to prepare rules for the government of the two boards, and Messrs. Burke and Hill were appointed on the part of this board.

An ordinance to amend the ordinance creating the office of City Engineer by making his salary \$1,800.

Bills of S. G. Brent and F. L. Smith, \$150 each, approved by the Board of Police Commissioners for legal services in a joint case in the Circuit Court of the city of Alexandria wherein George L. Simpson, Mayor, was complainant.

Report of L. R. Graybill, acting City Engineer, on the contract for repaving the sidewalks for the paving of King street, between Fairfax and Royal.

Preamble and resolution regarding certain proposed changes in the duties of the Clerk of the Common Council directing the Board of Police Commissioners to fill any vacancies on the police force until the committee having in charge an ordinance to reduce the same shall have reported, was laid on the table.

Resolution providing that when Council adjourns it be to meet on the fourth Tuesday in August, 1901, was received from the Common Council and amended by striking out "Tuesday" and inserting "second Tuesday" in October. The Common Council adhered to its action and this board concurred in that of the Common Council.

The board then adjourned.

J. T. SWEENEY, President. Tests: LUTHER H. THOMPSON, Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

At a called meeting of the Common Council of the city of Alexandria, Va., held August 12, 1901, there were present: F. J. Paff, ex-president, and Messrs. Trimmer, Snowden, Rishell, Fisher, Normoy, Baizer, Brill, Johnson, Ulmer, McCuen and Leadbeater.

A communication from the Mayor conveying Council for the transaction of business, owing to the inability of no quorum being present at the regular meeting on August 13, 1901, was received.

The president appointed the following standing committees: Laws: Messrs. Burke and Normoy. Finance: Messrs. Bryan and Baizer. Property: Messrs. Brill and McCuen. Light: Messrs. Johnson, Desmard and Trimmer.

Claims: Messrs. Ulmer and Snowden. Streets: Messrs. Leadbeater and Fisher. Police: Messrs. Burke and Rishell. Property: Messrs. S. P. Sparks and Johnson. A petition from O. S. Fulman and others for repairs to electric light at the corner of Alfred and Franklin streets was referred to the Committee on Light.

A resolution offered by Mr. Snowden relating to Eruptions, cuts, burns, scalds and sores of all kinds quickly healed by DeWitt's Little Early Rubbers, was adopted. DeWitt's Little Early Rubbers will remove this danger. Safe, pleasant and effective. For sale by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons.

questing the Police Commissioners to make no further appointments to fill vacancies on the force until further action by the City Council, and that the clerk notify the members of this action was unanimously adopted.

A resolution offered by Mr. Trimmer that when Council adjourns it be to meet on the 4th Tuesday in August, 1901, was passed. This action was non-concurred in by the Board of Aldermen and amended to adjourn until the second Tuesday in October. The Common Council non-concurred in the action of the Board of Aldermen, and adhered to its former action.

The board then adjourned until the regular meeting on August 27.

FRED. J. PAFF, President. Tests: DANIEL H. STANSHAW, Clerk C. C.

VIRGINIA DEMOCRATS.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 13.—The Virginia democratic State convention will meet in Armory Hall, Norfolk, tomorrow and many delegates are already here. Conference will be held tonight to "fix things." William F. Barkdale, of Halifax, will be temporary chairman and Joseph Burton, clerk of the State Senate, will be temporary secretary. H. R. Pollard, of Richmond, will be permanent chairman and Judge W. S. Gouch permanent secretary. The name of Attorney General Montague will be presented for governor by Mr. G. C. Cabell, of Danville, and he will be nominated on the first ballot. Col. R. C. Marshall, of Portsmouth, withdrew his candidacy yesterday, leaving Congressman Swanson as Montague's only opponent. It is reported that Mr. Swanson will withdraw on the floor, declare his allegiance to the party favorite and thus close the political fight. Capt. Joseph Willard, of Fairfax, will be nominated for lieutenant governor, over Dr. Geo. W. Leato, of Accomac. The real fight of the convention will be over the nomination of attorney-general. There are numerous candidates. J. L. J. Hines, of Culpeper, and W. A. Anderson, of Rockbridge, are the real contestants. The chances are in favor of Jeffries. The situation in brief seems to be that Mr. Jeffries leads all the candidates. Mr. Jeffries' friends insist that he will have ample votes to nominate him on the first ballot. His opponents say he must be nominated on the first ballot or not at all. The convention will probably not deal with national issues but will confine its declarations to State affairs.

Foreign News. Madrid, August 13.—Two thousand workmen at Asturias, in the province of Oviedo, Spain, have gone out on a strike.

Stockholm, August 13.—Baron Adolf Erik Nordenskiold, the Swedish naturalist and arctic explorer is dead.

London, August 13.—A letter received from Johannesburg, Transvaal, states that trade is reopening and that the government is recognizing the propriety of previous traders.

Birmingham, England August 13.—The Post today states that the present tendency in Italy is toward rapprochement with France as against Austria. Such action would lessen Italy's support of England in the latter's position as "the most favored nation" in Abyssinia.

Christiana, Aug. 13.—Four fifths of the village of Faerund, including the church and public office, was destroyed by fire today. Twelve hundred persons are left homeless.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 13.—Desperate forest fires are raging in the province of Njvi-Novgorod, Russia. Many villages have been destroyed and the city of Njvi-Novgorod, the capital of the province is in the greatest danger.

Vienna, Aug. 13.—A murder resulting from a vendetta of twenty years' duration occurred in a church at Obotli Sunday. A general fight ensued. Seven persons were killed and twenty-three wounded.

Mysterious Stabbing Affray. New York, Aug. 13.—Several wealthy and prominent citizens of Boston were assaulted at 3 o'clock this morning in front of the Gilsey house by persons whose identity, so far, is unknown. Two of the Boston men, Jos. A. Conroy, a member of the Massachusetts legislature, and Wm. J. Francis, said to be a millionaire, received fatal wounds in the melee. Neither is dangerously hurt. The reason for the assault is a mystery. One version of the affair is that attacking footpads caused the trouble. Congressman Coney and Aldermen Norton and Bowen left Boston last Saturday for New York and the west, with the intention of taking in the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo. The trip was to combine business and pleasure. Coney and Norton are the warmest of personal and political friends.

Fort Worth, Tex., Aug. 13.—A heavily armed band of desperadoes held up the south bound passenger train on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad near Caney, I. T., at 1:30 o'clock this morning. They dynamited the express car, riddled the mail car and went through the entire train and robbed the passengers. The amount secured is not yet known. It is believed by railroad officials to be heavy. U. S. marshals and a posse have gone in pursuit. The robbers are believed to be from Oklahoma.

Killed Companion and Shot Himself. Cincinnati, Aug. 13.—Robert Stevens and Mr. Little Kispert were found dead in a room on Outer street last night. They had been dead since Saturday night. The bodies were found side by side in a bed. Clotted blood was everywhere, while in Stevenson's hand was a revolver from which two shots had been discharged. The evidence is that Stevenson killed the woman and then committed suicide.

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