



WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 28, 1904.

This is the last week of the year 1904. So far the occurrences which have marked it have not exceeded the average. The mortality and birth rate have not materially varied from those of former years, and so far as can be seen, the same order of things which has marked the history of the planet has been in evidence during its last diurnal journey.

GRAATIFYING reports come from Washington that the ship subsidy is dead, so far as this session of Congress is concerned. It has been believed that some of the southern democrats would support subsidy under the impression that southern shipping would assume great importance when the Panama canal opens.

As announced some days ago, the two largest firms of manufacturing chemists in the United States have consolidated their interests and thus formed a practical monopoly over the important medicinal products of quinine and morphia.

CHIEF ENGINEER WALLACE, of the Isthmian Canal Commission, reports in favor of a sea level canal at Panama, which he estimates would cost about \$300,000,000. He says such a canal would be less expensive to maintain and operate; that time would be saved in passage through it, and that it could be widened or deepened without interfering with traffic.

A STRANGELY shipping men at Victoria has been caused by the discovery of iron in a steamer's life preserver. The same discovery was made recently in a factory in New Jersey. If even justice had been needed out and the punishment made to fit the crime the men who put the iron in the life preservers would have been thrown overboard with their own shams about their necks.

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responsibility for the catastrophe on the underground railroad in August, 1903, resulting in the loss of sixty-five lives. Heavy fines and terms of imprisonment were imposed. If railroad employees were held to a strict accountability in this country railroad accidents would be fewer.

THE SUN, after a total obscuration of full four days, made his reappearance today, much to the gratification of all. It has been many years since such gloomy weather prevailed for so many days during Christmas holidays.

From Washington.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] The final step in the case of the United States against Machen, the Groff brothers, Diller B. and Samuel A., and George E. Lorenz, indicted jointly for conspiracy to defraud the United States in the sale of letter box fasteners to the United States Postoffice Department, will be taken before the U. S. Supreme Court on motion of certiorari, January 16, two weeks after the first meeting of the court since the Christmas holidays.

Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador and dean of the corps, celebrated today the fiftieth anniversary of his entrance into the diplomatic service of the Czar. This afternoon a reception was held at the Embassy, attended by many of the diplomatic corps and many society people. A small dinner is planned for this evening at which Count Cassini will entertain his official staff and a few intimates friends.

Senator Scott, of West Virginia, visited the White House today to present the claims of A. R. Campbell, of Wheeling, for the auditorship of the Postoffice Department. A large number of applicants are after the vacancy on the U. S. District bench caused by the death of Judge E. H. Hammond, of Memphis, Tenn. Representative Sims, of Tennessee, called at the White House today to present the claims of Samuel W. Hawkins, of Huntington, for the place. Mr. Hawkins has been prominent in Tennessee politics for many years and once received the republican nomination for governor.

Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, who has been offered his choice of a position on either the Panama Canal or the Interstate Commerce Commission, called at the White House this afternoon but did not give the President his decision on the matter. "I have not had time to talk with the members of the two commissions nor to read up the laws that govern them," said Senator Cockrell. "I have been too busy trying to clean up the work that I have on hand and it will take about all I can do to clear my desk before the fourth of March. I hope, however, to be able to settle the question of my future work by the middle of January."

President Roosevelt, it is said, has decided upon the successor of Judge Francis J. Wing, the Federal Justice of the Cleveland, Ohio, district bench, who has resigned to leave office on February first. A rumor is being circulated this afternoon that the man to be named is ex-Representative Robert Taylor, of Youngstown. Senator Foraker had a consultation with President Roosevelt this afternoon, and, it is said, agreed to the appointment of the man suggested by the executive. The President told Senator Foraker that he would announce the appointment within a day or two.

The French Mission to Morocco has failed. The State Department was so advised this morning by Hoffman Phillips, Vice Consul and Acting Consul General at Tangiers. He was immediately directed to remain neutral and in case personal danger seems imminent to inform American residents of such fact without delay.

The Japanese government has informed the State Department that the harbor of Kelung had been ruined and that the shipping of the world is notified on this effect. The harbor is situated on the extreme coast of the island of Formosa.

The office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General has been flooded for the past week with requests for sets of the Louisiana Purchase memorial stamps issued during the exposition at St. Louis. In all cases the money has been returned with the information that the issue ceased December 1, when the fair closed. No Louisiana Purchase stamps are now obtainable from the Postoffice Department.

Dr. Von Krieger, the Austrian premier, has tendered his resignation to Emperor Franz Josef. He gives ill health as the cause for the step.

A party of Moors have looted a garden belonging to a British citizen just outside Tangier, Morocco. They killed the Spanish servant of the Englishman, who attempted to guard the property. The Leyland liner Yucatan, from New Orleans, which reached Liverpool today, reports bad weather during the greater part of the voyage. During a heavy blow the quartermaster was washed overboard, and the second mate's leg was broken.

A dispatch from Paris says that Beau lincourt Maries, the daughter of the late marshal Bazaine and granddaughter of Count Boni de Castellane, is dead, at the age of 87. She was an intimate friend of Prince Louis Philippe, Napoleon III, and of the Princess Mathilde.

Tragedy on a Train. Passengers on a train on the Norfolk and Western Railroad, bound from Norfolk, Va., to Columbus, O., witnessed a thrilling tragedy at Vivian in the mountains along Tug river yesterday. Soon after the train pulled out of the station a negro refused to pay Conductor William Fall of Bluefield, his fare. When the conductor emphasized his demands the negro pulled a knife and slashed the conductor across the head, nearly severing an ear. Stepping back in the aisle, almost covered with blood, the conductor pulled his revolver and, taking deliberate aim, shot the negro to death. The negro was unknown. Conductor Fall was taken to the hospital. His wounds are of a very serious nature.

Fever Gallons; Wear Longer. Fever gallons; takes less of Devoe Lead and Zinc than mixed paints. Wears longer; twice as long as lead and oil.

News of the Day.

Congressman William F. Mahoney, of the Eighth Illinois district, died yesterday in Chicago. Death was due to kidney trouble.

The twenty-third week of the textile strike at Fall River, Mass., opened yesterday with a decrease of operatives reporting for work at the mills, according to statements made at the labor halls. No further move is apparent towards bringing the disputants together.

Attorney-General Moody yesterday began a suit by petition in the United States District Court at St. Paul, Minn., on behalf of the United States against the General Paper Company and other companies asking that they be enjoined from continuing the combination.

Captain Jack Bailey, who has for a number of years been a popular conductor on the Southern Railway with a run between Salisbury and Asheville, has been carried to Hendersonville, N. C., for mental treatment, having become a total wreck, so far as his mind is concerned.

The Haytian court has condemned former President Sam to imprisonment for life for the alleged fraudulent issue of bonds. His wife has been sentenced to 15 years, and several members of his ministry have also been condemned. Sam and most of the others have left the country.

It is said that Gen. Horace Porter, of New York, will retire as Ambassador to France, and will have his resignation in the hands of President Roosevelt before the inauguration. Gen. Porter's successor will be George von Lenerke Meyer, the present Ambassador to Italy.

In a dense fog at New York yesterday evening the ferryboats Bergen and Mus conatong crashed into each other near the Hoboken ferry slips, and for a few minutes there was a panic on both boats. Three persons were hurt, and also the ferryboat Chicago, loaded down with commuters, was run into by the big steam transport Maryland in the North river, just off the Cortlandt street slip of the Pennsylvania ferry. No serious damage was done to the hulls of the steamers.

The stockholders of the wrecked Citizens' National Bank, of Oberlin, Ohio, have received notice that they will be held to pay the double liability. This notice comes from Washington and is signed by Receiver Lyon. The notice says that the stockholders will be expected to pay the double liability by January 5th, 1905, but that thirty days extension will be granted them. If they so desire, half can be paid now, and half February 5. Several stockholders have already paid the full amount of their assessment.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVETES James O'Neil, who killed his wife and wounded his son early Christmas morning in Columbus, O., was arrested this morning.

When asked in Boston today as to whether he contemplated another raid on the stock market, Thomas W. Lawson said he supposed Wall street will like to know but that he preferred to keep Wall street guessing.

The fourth lake submarine boat was loaded on a car at Newport News, Va., last night. Unlike the other two shipped recently to Russia, the vessel is not in two parts, but solid and ready to put overboard. It is believed that the new vessel will soon follow the others to Russia.

In Jersey City today Vice Chancellor Stevenson signed a decree dissolving the National Salt Company, a \$12,000,000 concern, which went into the hands of receivers over a year ago. The assets are sufficient to pay all debts, but will leave nothing for stockholders according to an announcement made in court.

A large steamer having three masts and one funnel is aground on Diamond Shoals, 8 miles off the North Carolina coast. The vessel is on her beams end, is evidently full of water and is going to pieces. She is supposed to have gone ashore last night. The fate of the crew is unknown, as the weather is too tempest to permit the life savers to approach the vessel.

Charles Ellis, an aged man was found burned to a crisp last night in his house in Salt Lake, Utah, which was tightly closed. Ellis was a noted man and for twenty years was a writer of books on the Mormon religion. Although a non-Mormon, he wrote continually defending them. Mystery surrounds the case, and it is thought he was robbed, then murdered, and the house fired.

Bishop Talbot. The presentation which will be brought against Bishop Ethelbert Talbot, of the Central Pennsylvania Diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church, became public yesterday. It charges him with "Crime, to wit, a criminal libel against the Rev. Ingram N. W. Irvine when the Bishop unfrocked."

It is impossible to estimate in dollars and cents the great benefits which the State will derive from the Legislatures, action in making the fifty thousand dollars appropriation, and the wisdom and good judgment used by the Commissioners in expending this money to the best possible advantage. That they did so, is evidenced by the results—the only real test. Already, practical benefits are being seen, for Commissioner Koener is receiving hundreds of letters from people who saw Virginia's exhibit, and who are so favorably impressed with the resources of this State, that they desire to locate here. Many farms have already been sold to these inquirers.

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Virginia News.

Mrs. Minnie Martel Major, of Fredericksburg, aged 55 years, died at Flatbush, N. Y., Monday. She was visiting her daughter at the time.

Westmoreland Lodge of Masons, No. 212, which is the only Masonic lodge now in that county, held an elaborate banquet at Kinsale on December 21.

John R. Turner, for many years a prominent dry goods merchant and one of Petersburg's most honored citizens, died suddenly yesterday aged 67 years.

Mrs. Susan A. Rose, widow of the late Thomas Rose, died Monday at her home, in Stafford county, aged eighty-seven years. She is survived by ten children.

The marriage of Miss Lina McCorkle Montgomery to Dr. William Mason Strong took place at 9 o'clock last night at Grace Street Presbyterian Church, Richmond.

Thieves on Monday night broke into the store at Fredericksburg owned by Councilman W. L. Watson, known as the Boston Variety Store, and after taking all of the money out of the cash register stole 15 watches, 15 suits of clothes, and other articles amounting to nearly \$500 in value.

A negro named Ollie Jackson attempted Monday night to criminally assault the daughter of R. C. Radford, a merchant of Rockville, in Hanover county. Her screams frightened him away. The girl is in a state of collapse and a search is being made for the negro, who is thought to have gone to Richmond.

A deed was executed by the city of Richmond yesterday conveying land at Dutch Gap, on the James river, to the United States government, which proposes to widen the channel there and cut down a bluff. Dutch Gap was opened during the war by Gen. B. F. Butler. It shortens the journey to the sea seven miles.

Mrs. Mary Gordon Ribble, wife of Rev. J. Francis Ribble, rector of St. John's Episcopal church Petersburg, died Sunday night at her home in that city after a brief illness. She was a daughter of John Gordon Beale, of Fauquier county, and was 32 years old. She leaves three children. Her body will be sent to Calverton, for burial.

Miss Laura Potter, aged 17 years, an inmate of the Baptist Orphanage, at Salem, escaped from that institution Monday night by letting herself from a window to the courtyard, where her lover, Claude Haislip, was in waiting. The couple eluded the night watchman and took a carriage for Elliston, 15 miles away. There they boarded a train and went to Bristol, where they were married.

One hundred lunatics, all females and many of them violent, were hastily removed from one of the buildings of the Eastern State Hospital, at Williamsburg, Sunday, because of the fear that the building would fall and crush them. The building was erected 34 years ago. Sunday afternoon there were cracking noises which seemed to indicate that the structure was in danger. The patients were taken out quickly and an expert summoned. The expert said the walls were bulging and that the structure was likely to fall at any time.

Virginia's Outcome at the World's Fair.

The fact that Virginia was awarded one of the four grand prizes at the World's Fair which closed this month, is not generally known through the State. There were only four grand prizes given for agricultural exhibits, and the Old Dominion, with only fifty thousand dollars to spend, secured one of these, her other three competitors, whose exhibits she equaled, having in two instances a State appropriation of a quarter of a million dollars, while the third State had an appropriation of an even million. Not only this, but Virginia, in the prize list, came ahead of a dozen States having appropriations ranging from one hundred to two hundred thousand dollars. This State received no less than sixty medals for her various exhibits, in many instances, as in the case of her mineral display, carrying off the highest honors. Virginia was not only awarded a gold medal on her mineral display, but also, on her exhibits of corn, grains, tobacco, apples, and peanuts. So favorably impressed with Virginia's exhibit were the officials of Canada, that the Prime Minister and Commissioner of Agriculture of the Dominion wrote Commissioner Koener congratulating him upon the splendid showing made by this State. They said that Virginia had opened the eyes of the world.

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Today's Telegraphic News

Kuropatkin Wants Reinforcements. Paris, Dec. 28.—A message from St. Petersburg states that General Kuropatkin has asked for as many reinforcements as it is possible to send him. He has also asked that the capacity of the Trans-Siberian railway be raised from twelve to eighteen trains daily.

Tokio, Dec. 28.—Unofficial news received here from Port Arthur reports that General Stossel, who is in command of the forces there, has been injured by his horse falling upon him. It is also reported that General Smilnof has been wounded.

Tokio, Dec. 28.—The authorities this morning published a list of 33 officers killed and 56 wounded. No localities are given, but it is presumed the casualties occurred at Port Arthur. The naval authorities also publish a list of nine officers and 67 men killed. "On special duty." The nature of the duty is not explained but it is surmised another cruiser has been sunk or damaged, and that these officers and men lost their lives in this manner.

Rome, Dec. 28.—A despatch to the Corriere Del Lazio from Fusan says the Japanese troops celebrated Christmas in honor of the foreigners with the army. General Oyama entertained at a banquet all the foreign officers and the newspaper correspondents. The festivities lasted all night to artillery accompaniment.

Deaths by Storm. Chicago, Dec. 28.—Death rode in the fierce gale which howled over Chicago and the middle States Tuesday, as the accompaniment of one of the worst storms of years. Three lives were lost in the city in direct consequence of the gale; another life has been lost as a result of a fire which was fanned to fury by the raging wind, and a number of persons were injured while battling with the blast, which reached a maximum velocity of 72 miles an hour last evening at 5:30. Other deaths resulted from injuries were reported from elsewhere, as well as heavy damages to buildings, delay in railroad traffic, street car transportation, telephone and telegraph lines and business generally. Thirteen were reported injured this morning.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 28.—This city is in the midst of a blizzard of immense proportions. The air is filled with swirling snow and the wind is blowing from the lake at a speed of fifty or sixty miles an hour. So great is the storm the trees are practically deserted, and business is at a standstill. It is one of the worst storms in the city's history. The steamer Massasoit, loaded with lumber, which has been on the lake since, for a couple of weeks, and has defied the combined efforts of half a dozen tugs to dislodge her, is being pounded to pieces by the waves of the Niagara river. She is splitting apart and can hardly hold till night if the high wind continues to prevail. All trains are reported late, and street car traffic is greatly disturbed.

Indians Ask Investigation. Ashland, Wis., Dec. 28.—Indians of the Bad River reservation met in council at Oauna yesterday and decided, by unanimous vote, to petition the Indian Commissioner, Francis E. Leupp, for a grand jury investigation of the conduct of reservation affairs by Indian Agent S. W. Campbell. One of the significant things in the petition prepared and signed by the chiefs is the request that inquiry be made as to how Indian farmer Roger Patterson acquired his wealth. Patterson is said to have been a poor man when he accepted the position of Indian farmer, ten years ago. His salary has been only \$60 a month, yet he is now said to be worth anywhere from \$30,000 to \$40,000. Patterson has 600 acres of the best land on the reservation, which is on the tax roll at the assessed value of \$11,000. He admits having 10,000 stock in the York Lumber Company, at Grafton, Va.

Nurse Expelled from Russia. Berlin, Dec. 28.—The Lokal Anzeiger says that the nurse of the Grand Duchess Olga has been attached to the Imperial household for nine years and enjoyed the Czarina's special favor. Suddenly it transpired that the nurse had exploited from her confidential position a note giving the contents of state documents in the Czar's desk. A detective caught her searching the Czar's study. The nurse, it is said, is the person who supplied the revolutionaries in Russia with the government's intentions, and introduced the mysterious missives threatening the Czar's life. Numerous copies of important documents were found in the nurse's possession. Besides helping the revolutionaries, it is stated that the nurse is in the pay of a foreign power needing Russian secrets. The police escorted the nurse to Evidkuchen, where they expelled her. It is believed it is her intention to go to Germany.

Death from Morphine. New York, Dec. 28.—As a result of taking an overdose of morphine, Ore o Weed, aged 25, of Boston, is dead, and Bernard Reilly, aged 23, of Springfield, Mass., is a patient in Bellevue Hospital. Both men are said to be bank clerks and have been stopping at the Grand Union Hotel since Saturday. Early this morning Reilly appeared in the hotel office and announced that his friend was dying. An ambulance was summoned and they were removed to Bellevue Hospital. Weed expired shortly after reaching there. In a statement Reilly says the men took the drug on a dare, and considered the matter a joke. Reilly is held a prisoner in a ward in Bellevue Hospital on the charge of attempted suicide. Weed was a brother-in-law of former Tufts Sprague of Rhode Island.

Ran Into an Open Switch. Chicago, Dec. 28.—At 5:10 this morning a train on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, ran into an open switch at the east end of Sherwood, Ind., striking some cars on a siding. The engine and express car turned over and are burning. Engineer Collins and Fireman Plumb were badly burned. The conductor reports that no passengers are injured. Another engine was brought from De finance, and the rear of the portion of the train pulled away. The coaches and Pullman cars are all right.

Bilious Colic Prevented. Take a double dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as soon as the first indication of the disease appears and a threatened attack will be ward off. Hundreds of people who are subject to attacks of bilious colic use the remedy in this way with perfect success. For sale by Gibson and Timberman and W. F. Creighton & Co.

Nan Patterson.

New York, Dec. 28.—Nan Patterson was in a cheerful mood this morning over the prospects of regaining her freedom within a few days. Her new found friends who have offered to go her bail, to the extent of \$50,000, if necessary, according to despatches from Wheeling, W. Va., are C. W. Swisher of Wheeling, just elected Secretary of State, and three wealthy residents of Fairmont, H. J. Price, a merchant; T. A. Deveny, a lawyer, and Howard Black, a banker. Each of them is said to be able to put up cash bail to the amount of \$50,000 himself.

Miss Patterson has received two telegrams from persons offering to go on her bond, but she refuses to make them public, or to tell who had sent them. Bail was originally fixed in the case at \$20,000. Whether District Attorney Jerome would consent that she be released on the same terms is problematical, but it is believed that he would not vigorously oppose such a motion. Abraham Levy, senior counsel for Nan Patterson, when seen at his home today said that he had not yet seen the alleged telegram and would make no statement concerning the acceptance or refusal of the offer of bail until he had.

The Chadwick Extradition. Albany, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Sheriff Barry, of Cayuga county, O., made a second visit to the Executive Chamber today, bringing with him the affidavits necessary to secure a warrant of extradition authorizing him to take Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick back to Cleveland, to answer to the charge of complicity in forging the name of Andrew Carnegie to the note of \$5,000,000, used as security by his wife, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick. Judge Joyce looked the affidavits over, and announced that they were satisfactory, and that the requisition would be honored. He said, however, that he desired to confer with Governor Odell over the telephone before signing the papers, and would mail them to Sheriff Barry at police headquarters in New York. With this understanding Sheriff Barry returned to New York on the 11:25 a. m. train.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Judge Joyce, State pardon clerk, said this afternoon that he had mailed to Sheriff Barry the requisition papers in the Chadwick case.

Suicide from Despondency. New York, Dec. 28.—The authorities have completed their investigation into the death of Cecile Moss, who jumped from a third story window at No. 202 west 46th street, early yesterday morning, and all circumstances lead to the belief that the girl took her life in a fit of sudden despondency. Jockey John J. Hoar, who was on terms of intimacy with Miss Moss, in the last few weeks of her life, told Coroner Scholer this morning all the facts concerning his relations with the dead girl. An overcoat bearing Hoar's name was found among her effects. It is stated that Miss Moss was once married to a Rufus Frazier, a government employe at Washington.

The Zemstvo Congress. Moscow, Dec. 28.—The zemstvo congress of the Moscow government, which has been in session since Monday last, adjourned sine die today, after passing a resolution which declared it was impossible to conduct business with the necessary quiet, owing to the government's communication on the subject of zemstvo meetings. This communication, published several days ago, relegated the zemstvos to the background in the settling of affairs of local or national importance.

Steamer in Peril. Patohque, L. I., Dec. 28.—The situation of the British steamer Drumelzier, which is ashore on Fire Island beach, is extremely critical this morning, and unless the wind and sea settle before night, her destruction, with her captain and crew of thirty two men seems almost certain. The cargo of the vessel is valued at \$600,000 and she was bound from New York for Havre, when she ran ashore Monday morning.

New York Stock Market. New York, Dec. 28.—The stock market was comparatively active in the first hour. The character of the dealings was unchanged and in almost every one of the leading issues further gains in prices were established. Sentiment was confident, although it was conceded that professional inspiration was responsible for the movements in some issues. By the end of the first half hour extreme gains of 1 to 1 1/2 had been established. At the highest figures fractional concessions occurred, due to sales to realize profits by holders who bought early in the day. The market continued active and shows a disposition to broaden. The firmness of tone was maintained.

Negro Killed in Church. A fatal shooting affair occurred Monday night at Levi Church, near Green Bay, Prince Edward county, where a Christmas tree entertainment was being held, resulting in the instant killing of a negro named Arthur Page, and the serious wounding of Page's two brothers. The shots were fired from a pistol by a negro named Richard Young, a native of Prince Edward county, who had recently come to the county from New Jersey. The trouble is said to have been brought about by a dispute over an umbrella. Justice of the Peace S. T. Brown has been instructed by Judge A. D. Watkins, Commonwealth's Attorney of Prince Edward county, to arrest all the parties to the affair, and it is likely that ten or more arrests will be made.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they reach only a diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed, it causes a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CUBENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A Pleasant Pill. No pill is as pleasant and positive as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are so mild and effective that children, delicate ladies and weak people enjoy their cleansing effect, while strong people say they are the best liver pills sold. Sold by all druggists.

DIED. On Tuesday, December 27, 1904, NELLIE S., daughter of the late W. H. and MARY J. Curtis and granddaughter of the late David G. Watkins. Funeral from her late residence, 210 North St. Asbury street, on Thursday at 3 p. m. Friends and relatives are invited.

DRY GOODS.

Lansburgh & Bro., Washington's Favorite Store. Store Opens 8:30 a. m. Closes 5:30 p. m.

Dress Goods Reduced. A quick chance to buy best qualities at greatly reduced prices. 5 pieces 48-inch Cream Twine Voile, open mesh; a great sacrifice; \$1 value. 48c. Clearance price, yard. All-wool Crepe, in cream, pink, gray, lavender, turquoise, &c. Staple 70c crepes 49c to go at yard. Navy, Red, Brown, &c., in Fine Storm 40-inch Nans V. Y. One day's clearance price 55c. An odd lot of 48-inch Suitings, in good all-wool mixtures, nice for separate skirts; 75c value and up. 49c. 40-inch Nans V. Y. in cream, cream and 100 other desirable shades; worth 50c at a yard. 39c. All-wool Voile and Paneta, 42 inches wide; in navy blue only; to close, price cut from 75c to 60c. 50c.

Lansburgh & Bro., 420 to 426 Seventh Street, WASHINGTON, D. C.

[COMMUNICATED.] The firemen of Washington, according to the newspapers of that city, were recipients of reminders from friends. In reading of such, some life-long firemen in Alexandria often fall into reveries. In this city several members of one of the fire companies were selling tickets for a concert which took place here last spring for the benefit of the company. They called on quite a number of business men to buy tickets for the concert and were informed that they "would not help the fire department." And this is a volunteer department that receive no compensation for their services whatever. A FIREMAN.

The Metropolitan's holiday number for January, which has been received from its publishers in New York, contains a number of striking illustrated articles and is especially strong in short fiction. The opening feature of this issue is the \$400 prize story by George Gibbs. "An Artist in Bermuda" tells of the denizens of tropic waters. Edward Martin is at his best in "Convictions." "A Little Pilgrimage" describes scenes in Palestine. Joel Chandler Harris has another inimitable "Uncle Remus" tale. "The World at Large" is a department of timely portraiture and comment. A series of drawings by Malcolm Strassus is a feature of this number and its poems are numerous and pleasing.

Starting Evidence. Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequalled in its efficacy. From T. J. McFarland, of Bentonsville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and declared all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery and in a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, druggists. Trial bottle free, regular sizes 50c and \$1.00.

Obituary. There is no magnet in all the world like goodness, real genuine heart goodness, for it attracts because it is itself the source of all kindness, gentleness, confidence, thoughtfulness, self-sacrifice and loving deeds. Fortunate indeed the one who so lives here on the earth as to merit the encomium, "He who is good died the life of Mrs. Ella Allison, who died in this city on December 5th, breathed this spirit of goodness. The Spirit of the Master so permeated her that she was quick to feel another's pain, another's sorrow and her heart beat in sympathy for the distress of the needy, and her hand was always stretched out to help. But her goodness did not stop when she had wept with those who weep; no, for her character was so broad and her heart beat in sympathy with those who grieve. In her life there was a singular absence of little mean traits that often spoil an otherwise great character. No matter what her own troubles or difficulties may have been, she was ever ready to assist a friend in need or to give the occasion for a song of praise and her helpful, helpful words of cheer will not soon be forgotten. Every intention of the church was dear to her and her heart was ever ready to accept the positions given her as "a call from above." It is not strange that such a spirit-filled life should bear beautiful fruits. Her last thought was of her loved ones, and she had more thought for herself she might have stayed with a little while longer, but wishing ever to help instead of being helped she put aside the warning of nature, saying: "No use to bother about my heart beat in sympathy with those who grieve. In her life there was a singular absence of little mean traits that often spoil an otherwise great character. 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