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MRS. JOICIE A. MCDONALD.
ATLANTA, GA., August 11, 1885.

I have had a cancer on my face for some years, extending from the cheekbone across the nose to the other. It has caused me a great deal of pain, at times burning and itching to such an extent that it was almost unbearable. I commenced using Swift's Specific in May, 1885, and have used eight bottles. It has given the greatest relief by removing the inflammation and restoring my general health. W. BARNES.
ENGLVILLE, Io., September 8, 1885.

In 1868 a cancer developed on my lower lip. I went under treatment at once, and from time to time since that have had medical aid in New Orleans, Boston, and New York with no benefit at all. It has progressed right along and now involves my jaw and cheek. One thousand dollars would not cover the loss sustained through the medical and surgical aid I have received. I have certainly tried everything and was benefited by nothing until I took S. S. S. It has done me more good than all else put together, and I believe I will soon be sound and well. Swift's Specific is certainly a great boon to humanity.

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BARGAIN IN TYPE.

The Richmond *Christian Advocate*, in refitting with a different type, will sell at a nominal price the "letter" now used on that paper. A copy of the *Advocate*, showing the condition of the material, can be had on application. Three hundred pounds LONG PRIMER, two hundred pounds BREVIER, one hundred pounds NONPAREIL, fifty pounds BOURGEOISE, twenty-eight COLUMN RULES (brass), two feet each.
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GAINES THE GAINER.

MAHONE DECLARES HIM NOMINEE OF THE PARTY IN FOURTH DISTRICT.

A Letter Showing that Gaines Said He Would Not Be a Candidate if Mahone Would Accept.

The following circular is out from the Mahone-Gaines headquarters:

To the Republicans of the Fourth Congressional District:

PETERSBURG, VA., September 12, 1886.

By express provision of the Party Code (Article II, section 2), it is made the duty of the State Executive Committee "to decide all questions at issue in any election district and all variances in the party as to conventions, candidates, and nominees, or otherwise, which may arise, calculated to affect the cause and the efficiency of the organization or the success of the party."

Matters relating to the formation and impeaching the integrity of the proceedings of the Congressional Convention for the Fourth district which met and proceeded to a temporary organization in the city of Petersburg Wednesday the first day of September have been formally laid before the State Executive Committee by a representative number of the delegates, duly certified to the Convention, and in a spirit of pure, unselfish party loyalty, the action of such committee is constitutionally invoked.

Forbearing any discussion of the subject, and the expression of any opinion upon the questions submitted, not failing to appreciate the sense of high party considerations which prompted their submission, and the course taken by such delegates, the committee, referring to the annexed correspondence, advise that, in its judgment, the best interests of the cause and the integrity of the party will be promoted by an earnest, active support of the Hon. William E. Gaines as the nominee of the Republican party for Congress from the Fourth district of Virginia, and recommend that he be given such support.

WILLIAM MAHONE,
Chairman State Executive Committee.

PETERSBURG, VA., September 7, 1886.

Hon. W. E. Gaines, Burkeville, Va.:

Dear Sir,—I presume you know, since notice to that effect has been conspicuously given, that * * * * delegates to the late Congressional Convention for the Fourth district, have formally laid before the State Executive Committee an account * * * * and call upon the State Executive Committee to take such action * * * *

By the express terms of section 2, Article II, of the Party Code, it is made the duty * * * *

The subject of this note is to invite your attention to the matter formally, that you may at the earliest day lay before the State Executive Committee such views and wishes as you may entertain, in person or in writing, or both, as you may prefer.

Yours truly,
WILLIAM MAHONE,
Chairman, &c.

BURKEVILLE, VA., Sept. 9, 1886.

General William Mahone, Chairman of State Executive Committee:

Dear Sir,—Yours of the 8th just received, in which you formally advise me of the matter before the State Executive Committee in respect to the last Republican Convention of this the Fourth district, and inviting me to submit such views as I might desire to lay before the committee.

I beg to say that, while irregularities and mistakes may have occurred in the Convention, I do not now propose to complain of the gentleman who acted upon the presumption that the Convention was constitutionally adjourned *sine die* before completing the work for which it was called.

Notwithstanding all this, I honestly believe that a majority of the *undisputed* delegates were for me, and that my nomination was made in order, and ought to stand unchallenged by any Republican in this district.

However, claiming, as I do, to be a true Republican, loyal to the principles of the party as announced in State and national platforms, and loyal to the organization of the party, and having no higher ambition than to promote the one and maintain the supremacy of the other, and relying upon the fairness and impartiality of your committee, and being unwilling to be an instrument of discord, I yield cheerful acknowledgment to the right and duty of the State Executive Committee to sit in judgment and dispose of the action of the late Convention so far as they are authorized by the Code of the Republican party, and to so dispose of the nomination so received by me as may be just and right and for the best interest of the Republican party, and, whatever its action may be, I agree to abide the same in good faith.

I must be permitted to repeat in this place what I have repeatedly said to you personally and over the district, that if you would accept the nomination I could not be induced to be a candidate for it, but would go heartily with the Republicans of the district to tender it to you, as I believe they were anxious to do by acclamation; and there was no time previous to the Convention when I would not have gone for your nomination upon authoritative intimation that you would accept it.

I knew some of the reasons which induced you, from the first and all along, not to desire the nomination, and the party should know that among these there were two which cannot fail to command the admiration of all good men—viz., the displacing of a friend and taking the place to which he thought he was entitled. Your duty to the party in other districts as chairman of all, the executive head of the organization, forbade your probable neglect of duty to any in the interest of one, which your candidacy, it might be supposed, would have exacted. Then you have said to me and others all the time that you did not want the place.

Yours truly,
WILLIAM E. GAINES.

For the Penitentiary.

The following convicts were received at the State prison yesterday: Rufus Dorton, from Scott county, three years, for arson; Fayette Stewart (colored), from Rappahannock county, two and a half years, for grand larceny; William Brown (colored), from Danville, three years, for bigamy; Fountain Hyatt (colored), from Danville, one year, for malicious cutting.

Struck Him with a Weight.

A colored man named Douglas Vaughan was before the Police Court yesterday morning charged with assaulting and striking George Robinson, another colored man, with an iron weight, with intent to kill. The evidence showed that Vaughan and two other boys were playing dominoes in Robinson's house Thursday. Robinson spoke to them about making a noise, when Vaughan, becoming angry, knocked the dominoes from the table. Robinson and Vaughan then had words, resulting in Vaughan taking up an iron weight and throwing it at Robinson, striking him in the face and inflicting wounds on his chin and cheek. Justice Richardson, after a full hearing of the case, sent the accused on to the grand jury.

ENROLMENT OF SCHOOL-CHILDREN.

Near Eleven Hundred of Them Unable to Gain Admittance.

The principals of the public schools of the city, both white and colored, met at the High-School building at 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and held their usual Friday's conference with Superintendent John B. Cary. From their reports of the enrolment of their respective schools the following figures were made up, which are given in comparison with those of 1885:

1886—Enrolment in white schools	5,112	
Enrolment in colored schools	3,094	
Total		8,206
Whites unaccommodated	205	
Colored unaccommodated	888	
Total		1,093
1885—Enrolment in white schools	4,828	
Enrolment in colored schools	2,728	
Total		7,556
Whites unaccommodated	341	
Colored unaccommodated	1,267	
Total		1,608
Increase in enrolment in 1886		647
Decrease in number unaccommodated		505

Of the 1,608 who were enrolled and could not be accommodated at the beginning of last session about 550 were afterwards accommodated in temporary quarters, which quarters will be maintained this session, or at least until the new buildings are ready. But even with these temporary quarters and all of the old buildings filled, there will be this session 1,093 children, or about one eighth of the whole number, who will be unable to secure admittance at once. Many of these children were out all of last session; some were out the session before. There is good reason to believe that had it not been well known that school room would be insufficient the enrolment would have been considerably larger than it is.

The School Board have made admirable use of all the means at their disposal—have crowded, as far as safety will admit, all the school-houses, regular and temporary—and yet 1,093 children are unprovided for.

There is but one thing now to do, and that is to rent enough buildings and rooms to house all of the 1,093 children and all other children entitled to enter the public schools until suitable buildings can be erected.

The schools are all well organized, and will start off next week in full blast. The teachers and principals have enjoyed the vacation, and have come to their arduous work with increased strength and health, and determined to make the Richmond schools the pride of the State.

AMBULANCE WORK.

A Workman Sunstruck—Leg Broken &c., &c.

Yesterday at 1 o'clock Dr. Rodgers, in charge of the ambulance, was called to 204 west Franklin street to attend a colored man named John Oliver, who had been sunstruck. He was taken to his home, on St. Paul street, in a dying condition.

At 3:30 the ambulance was again called—this time to Fourteenth street. Joe Robertson (colored), was struck by a derrick, which broke his left leg. He was taken to the almshouse and the broken limb dressed.

Richmond Theatre.

Pharazyn went successfully through his performance last night. Master Theodore C. Woolard won the china tea-set.

At the matinee the prices are reduced, but Pharazyn announced from the stage that prizes would be given away as usual, and that at night there would be no blanks.

Personals and Briefs.

The Hustings Court meets Monday.

Hon. John E. Massey is in the city. He will leave to-day.

The Henrico County Court will be in session again to-day.

Mr. E. M. Noble, the newly-elected Alderman, qualified yesterday.

Governor Lee is expected to return home from Philadelphia to-night.

Professor Mallet, of the University of Virginia, was in the city yesterday.

Judge F. R. Farrar, of Deatonsville, Amelia county, was in the city yesterday.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Aldermen will be held Monday at 7 P. M.

The bath- and laundry-rooms, the boiler-house, and servants' quarters at the Soldiers' Home have been completed.

For the new registration on Thursday next registrars can get their books and stationery at the clerk's office of the Hustings Court.

Mr. W. D. Sydnor, the agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company at Millboro', a popular gentleman and efficient officer, was in the city yesterday.

Rev. William E. Hatcher, D. D., pastor of the Grace-street Baptist church, has returned to the city from his summer vacation, and will occupy his pulpit to-morrow morning and evening.

The Committee on Elections have decided to recommend to the Council the adoption of a resolution appropriating $3,000 to pay the expenses of the new registration and of the election in November.

Mr. C. W. Chears, formerly acting general passenger agent Richmond and Danville railroad, will remove to Atlanta, Ga., his former home, as assistant general passenger agent Richmond and Danville system.

Mr. M. Sweeney, who has long been connected with the Alleghany Railroad in various important positions, will on the first of October resign, to accept the position of manager of transportation at St. Louis for the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, of which Colonel T. M. R. Talcott is general manager. Mr. Sweeney holds high rank among railroad men, is a gentleman of engaging manners, and has made a multitude of friends here.

Mr. E. T. Smith has been appointed superintendent of transportation of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, and, in addition to other duties, will be charged with the distribution of the car equipment to points where most needed. Mr. Smith had his railroad education on the Chesapeake and Ohio, but has recently been with the Georgia Pacific. He is a capital fellow and a splendid official. Mr. W. H. Lowry, formerly assistant auditor, has been appointed chief clerk to General-Superintendent Dunn—another good appointment.

TWENTY-TWO OUT.

THIS NUMBER OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS OUSTED.

A List of Those Affected by the Decision in the Case of Pendleton Versus Miller, &c.

By the decision of the Supreme Court of Appeals rendered Thursday, twenty-two changes are made in the offices of county and city superintendents of schools. The displaced officials are the first-named and the reinstated ones the last-named in the following list:

Alexandria county, John E. Febrey vice A. B. Grunwell.

Amherst, A. J. Richeson vice O. G. Bailey.

Augusta, C. T. Jordan vice H. S. Roller.

Brunswick, George R. Blick vice W. F. Jones.

Buchanan, Sparrell Ratliff vice Thomas W. Rathff.

Danville, J. H. Patterson vice H. C. Slaughter. (Patterson has since resigned and Eaton Randolph, Esq., been appointed in his stead.)

Frederick, Maurice M. Lynch vice G. W. Ward.

Fredericksburg, James Taylor vice General Dan. Ruggles.

Greensville, W. N. Bell vice John S. Spencer.

Louisa, Frank T. West vice W. J. Walton.

New Kent, Oliver F. Taylor vice Dr. J. D. Turner.

Page, Joseph Stover vice E. T. Broyles.

Pittsylvania, Lysander H. Pigg vice Dr. J. W. Wilson.

Prince William, A. P. Gray vice Samuel Martyne.

Roanoke county, William M. Graybill vice Marshall Frantz.

Smyth, D. C. Miller vice Major A. G. Pendleton.

Southampton, James F. Bryant vice J. J. Deyer.

Spotsylvania, Chancellor Bailey vice J. M. Holladay.

Surry, R. D. Gilliam vice William Dillard.

Sussex, R. K. Harrison vice W. N. Blow.

Warwick, J. H. Crafford vice C. P. Groome.

Williamsburg, John G. Anderson vice W. C. Constable.

OFF FOR ST. LOUIS.

Richmond and Other Knights Templars to Leave This Morning.

Richmond Commandery, No. 2, the oldest in the State, have decided to organize such of their own members and other Virginia Templars as would enlist under their banner as an escort to the Grand Commander the Right Eminent F. A. Reed, of Alexandria, at the triennial conclave of the order, which convenes in St. Louis, Mo., on the 21st instant, and will leave this city on their pilgrimage this morning at 11 o'clock by the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad for Washington. There they will be joined by a number of Virginia Templars from Norfolk and Portsmouth, Old Point, Lynchburg, and Alexandria, and proceed thence by the Pennsylvania railroad to St. Louis in a special train of Pullman cars.

Eminent-Commander John T. Parham, of Petersburg, with several Sir Knights and ladies of that city, will join their Richmond fraters at the Byrd-Street depot, and several Sir Knights of Fredericksburg will join them as they pass that city.

The Hon. R. E. Withers, Grand Master of Templars in the United States, has arrived at San Francisco, *en route* for St. Louis, whither he will be escorted by the California Templars.

Grand-Recorder W. B. Isaacs and Past-Grand-Commander Peyton S. Coles are now in St. Louis making preparations for the reception of their Virginia fraters. A telegram was received yesterday by Eminent-Commander Courtney from Recorder Isaacs stating that Grand-Master Withers would arrive in St. Louis on Sunday next. It is understood that Grand-Commander Reed has arranged to organize Richmond Commandery, No. 2, and the Virginia Templars accompanying them, and Washington Commandery, No. 1, into a battalion to act as an escort of honor to Grand-Master Withers on the occasion of the grand parade on Tuesday next, when it is expected that there will be not less than 20,000 Templars in line.

The following is a list of the Virginia Templars and ladies who have reported to the officers of Richmond Commandery, and for whom accommodations have been secured on the special train of Pullmans that will leave Washington this evening at 9 o'clock: Eminent-Commander A. R. Courtney, wife and niece; Past-Eminent-Commander Robert T. Craighill, Past-Eminent-Commander S. T. Wood, Past-Eminent-Commander John T. Parham, wife, daughter, and son; Past-Eminent-Commander A. Buff; Captain-General H. L. Pelouze, wife and two daughters; George S. Oldfield and wife, Charles F. Lauderback and wife; Alexander Wilson and wife, Henry Bodeker and wife, George B. Stacy and wife, Mrs. George W. Warren, Miss Dimmock, Miss Walthall; Shirley King, quartermaster; John C. Gibson, standard-bearer; Preston Belvin, A. B. Lipscomb, A. Gary, W. E. Gary, Spot. Crenshaw, Jud. Cunningham, H. W. Rountree, John J. Wright, P. T. Conrad, R. M. H. Harrison, S. P. Moore, George W. Fall, W. H. Chapin, James E. Turner, S. D. Alley, L. Sheets, Joseph Fulton, wife, and daughter; Jenkins, H. R. Anderson, M. C. Hall and wife, S. W. Lyons, J. T. Hand, Jr., H. Duke, George Barnes, A. Brinkley, W. L. Daughtry, John H. Bassett, A. Whiteley, C. E. Culpeper, Hardy Duke, R. L. Herbert, Lewis Morris, George W. Creaty, George P. Watkins.

In addition to these there will be ten Sir Knights from Alexandria, whose names were not furnished the Richmond officers.

action of lee camp.

It Endorses Its Committee and Returns Them a Vote of Thanks.

On August 31st Lee Camp received a letter from D. R. Pierce, commander of John A. Andrews Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Boston, saying that it was the intention of the Post to visit different localities in the State of Virginia, with Richmond as the objective point. Soon afterwards Phil Kearney Post, which, it seems, also had been notified, sent letters to Lee Camp, Stonewall Jackson Camp, and the United Veterans, proposing to each the appointment of a committee to form a joint committee to arrange for the entertainment and reception of the visitors. Each organization responded, and when the various committee met Lee Camp found that a member of one of the other committees was a man who had formerly been a member of Lee Camp, but was expelled for conduct unbecoming a gentleman and a soldier. The Lee Camp committee at once left, being unwilling to affiliate with this man.

Last night Lee Camp met, endorsed the action of their committee, and thanked them for it. The same committee were instructed to prepare a banquet for the Bostonians during their stay here, and to extend to Phil Kearney Post, Grand Army of the Republic, an invitation to the banquet.

The John A. Andrew Post will visit this city on the 11th of October.

HOME FROM A FOREIGN SHORE.

A Warm Welcome Given Rev. Mr. Kerr Last Night.

The First Presbyterian church of Richmond has for more than a year past been deprived of the services of their beloved and honored pastor, Rev. R. P. Kerr, who has spent this time in Europe, seeking restored health and strength. He visited the North of Ireland, England, Scotland, and the Continent, but found the greatest benefit in the bracing air of the Highlands of Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Kerr made hosts of warm friends, among the large-hearted people of the "other side," who were loth to give them up, even to return to their own home.

Mr. Kerr's charming letters to the *Central Presbyterian* have been greatly enjoyed by a host of readers for his vivid and life-like pictures of men and things. On Thursday he reached Richmond, looking strong again, and prepared, as he says, "to do full work," and last night the First church presented a brilliant and joyous scene. The ladies' parlors, the lecture-room, and the main audience-room of the church were thronged with a delighted people, not only of his own church, but from nearly all the churches and denominations of the city, each one eager to extend a hearty and loving welcome, with eye, heart, hand, and voice, to the restored pastor.

The parlors were beautifully decorated with flowers and plants, while the willing hands of the ladies furnished the gathered guests with light but delicious refreshments.

The church proper was brilliantly illuminated, and choice music was rendered upon the organ by Mr. Kirk Matthews, interspersed with delightful solos by Captain Frank Cunningham, sung only as he can sing them.

The exercises in the church were opened with an appropriate prayer of thanksgiving by Rev. C. H. Read, D. D., followed by "Home Again," sung by Miss Bracewell and Captain Cunningham. Miss Bracewell was formerly the soprano in the church served by Mr. Kerr in Savannah, and with this and other songs added much to the pleasure of the occasion.

During the evening a brief address of welcome was made by Judge E. H. Fitzhugh, representing the church and congregation, expressing most happily the joy and gratitude of all at this reunion.

Colonel William P. Munford followed in like strain, simply intensifying and emphasizing the Judge's remarks, and including the whole people in the extended welcome.

Mr. J. D. K. Sleight, by special request, tendered the gratulations and welcome of the Sunday-school teachers and scholars, whose devoted love this pastor had so fully won, and who had waited, watched, and prayed for his coming, and now their joy was complete—their cup of thanksgiving was full.

Mr. Kerr in reply made a stirring and tender address, touching a responsive cord in every heart. He dwelt upon his long absence, God's wondrous care of him and his dear church, and said that he had been upon Oakton Hill, in Florence, in Rome, in Venice, and the other noted cities of the Old World, but the dearest spot of all was sweet old Richmond on the James. He paid a beautiful tribute to the faithful brethren of the ministry who had so kindly filled his pulpit, to the officers of the church, and to all its membership. In closing he mentioned the strange coincidence that this was the anniversary of his marriage, and he felt that to-night he was being wedded anew to this dear people. As he ceased the organ pealed forth the cheering notes of the "Wedding March."

This whole occasion was full of the deepest interest to all present, and the wish that this valued pastor may long be spared to minister to his people in spiritual things was echoed and re-echoed from every heart.

Among the ministers present were Rev. Drs. Read and Richardson, Revs. Holderby, Bowison, and S. T. Martin, of the Presbyterian Church; Revs. J. William Jones, S. C. Clopton, and Dr. Cooper, of the Baptist Church.

Mr. Kerr resumes his pulpit duties to-morrow, preaching at 11 A. M. only.

A Man Hauled on a Dray.

Yesterday afternoon Officers Talley and Joyner arrested a white man named Blair Stratton for being drunk and disorderly on a street-car. The arrest was made on Main street near the post-office. Stratton resisted manfully, and the "skirmish" attracted a large crowd of curious passers-by. After a long time the officers succeeded in getting the prisoner under control without using very rough discipline. They put him on a dray, on which he was taken to the Second police station-house, where he was given quarters for the night.

Police Court.

The following cases were disposed of yesterday morning—Justice D. C. Richardson presiding:

P. H. Sutherland, cursing, abusing, and threatening to assault D. S. Sutherland. Dismissed at the station-house on payment of costs.

Charles Marye, cursing and abusing the wife of and threatening to assault Henry Washington. Dismissed.

Conrad Feldner, assaulting and beating Alice Searles. Dismissed on payment of costs.

James Randolph (colored) and James Shepherd, drunk. Fined each $2 and costs.

Felix Dalton, drunk and disorderly, and assaulting and striking Charles Phillips on the street. Fined $10 and costs.

Douglas Vaughan (colored), assaulting and striking George Robinson with a weight, with intent to kill. Sent on to the grand jury.

Israel Johnson (colored), assaulting and beating Mary Ashton. Dismissed on payment of costs.

Patrick Shelton, shooting at Jeff. Anderson on the street with a pistol. Sent to the grand jury.

Madison-Ward Democratic Club.

A meeting of the Madison-Ward Democratic Club was held at the City Hall last evening, at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing twelve months: Louis Rawlings, president; J. Taylor Stratton, James T. Ferriter, J. B. Wood, and S. A. Snyder, vice-presidents; Everett Waddey, treasurer; B. K. Pecor and F. A. Beier, sergeants-at-arms.

This Club is now well organized and prepared to do its usual work for the cause of Democracy and good government.

Army of Northern Virginia Reunion.

The Association of the Army of Northern Virginia has decided to have its annual reunion and banquet on the 21st of October. The annual address will be delivered by Colonel Edward McCready, in the hall of the House of Delegates.

The Executive Committee of the Association will meet on Friday, September 24th, to make arrangements for the reunion. The Association is now in a flourishing condition, out of debt, and large accessions are being made to its membership.

Mashed His Hand.

Yesterday while Mr. Charles Devota was engaged at work at the lower gas-works he had his hand caught between the crank and frame of an engine, and it was quite badly mashed. It is thought that one of his fingers will have to be amputated. After the accident Mr. Devota walked up to see his physician and had his hand dressed, and then walked to his home, on Main street near Twenty-fifth.

Baptist Ministers' Conference.

The Baptist Ministers' Conference, which has been suspended during the summer months, will resume its meetings in the mission-rooms of the Second Baptist church Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

The Concert at the Theatre.

The professional musicians in the city generally have tendered their services for the concert in aid of the Charleston sufferers. Mr. H. W. Rudolphe, the florist, kindly offers to decorate the stage.

The Liebig Company's Extract of Meat

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THE PANAMA CANAL.

MR. NATHAN APPLETON'S LETTER TO JUDGE DALY.

A Hopeful Report—Practical Questions of the Time and Cost of the Enterprise.

[New York Herald.]

The following is an extract from the report of Mr. Nathan Appleton, United States agent, on the Panama canal, which will be published in the next bulletin of the American Geographical Society:

THE GREAT DAM.

"At Gamboa we saw the sight of the proposed dam and reservoir to hold the water of the Chagres in check, but M. de Lesseps is of the opinion that this will not be needed, considering that the derivations of the river will be a sufficient guard against any probable overflow. From there in small boats to Gorgona, where we observed in several places how the river is utilized for discharging into it the earth taken from the bed of the canal, which quietly is carried off to the Atlantic, an application of hydraulics to canal-building which I imagine is quite new in such operations, and is capable of further development."

After some further remarks on M. de Lesseps' progress through the Isthmus, Mr. Appleton says:

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?

"And now comes the natural question when the canal is likely to be finished and open for navigation. While we all hope, to please M. de Lesseps, that it may be done in 1889, should there be no convulsions of nature or unexpected hindrances, all the same looking at it philosophically a few years more or less can be but of little significance. The canal is to be built for all the nations of the world, and to last as long as this planet endures. As soon as possible it will be open for ships of from ten to twenty feet draught, and then with time be completed to its full depth of nearly thirty feet. The idea of this is to lose no time in earning some revenue from it.

THE FINANCIAL QUESTION.

"Next comes the question of what it will cost. Looking back at the deliberations of the Paris Congress of 1879 one is astonished to find how correct to a day was their estimate of the expense. It was then calculated that the total cost for ten years of construction and maintaining, with interest on the money, would reach about $240,000,000. In this was not taken into consideration the purchase of the Panama railroad nor the erection of the hospitals, habitations, and many other necessary expenses, which cannot strictly be considered as part of the digging, but which run up to some tens of millions. All this has been done, and well done. The work is completely under way, and the din and hum of men and machines resound from one end of the Isthmus to the other. Steam and human labor to-day represent there a force of half a million men. Should the canal cost $500,000,000 it will easily be worth that to the world, and be a fairly-paying investment to the stockholders.

PROSPECTS.

"In 1879 the traffic through the Suez canal amounted to about three and a quarter million tons. It is now nearly nine millions. The Congress in 1879 estimated, after study and reflection, the probable traffic of the Panama canal in 1889 at seven and a half million tons. I do not hesitate to state as my personal conviction from the great increase of trade that ten million tons at the outset is a fairer calculation. Dues at $3 a ton for shipping alone will give a revenue of $30,000,000. A glance at the map of the world, or better still at a globe, shows it will cause a saving in distance of about ten thousand miles between the great ports of the different nations, or three times across the Atlantic ocean from Havre to New York. South America stretches much further south than Africa, and the Panama canal can be reached in a straight line from almost any direction. An objection to the Suez canal is the long detours ships are compelled to make at either end.

CONTRACTS GIVEN.

"During the last few months the work on the canal has been much simplified by giving it to five well-known firms of contractors, whereas before there were not far from thirty in all. These five syndicates report directly to the administration of the canal company, making arrangements with the smaller contractors or tacherons for work they may sublet to them. This has involved some complications in relation to past agreements, but they are being straightened out, so that all shall go smoothly in the future. It is in the interest of the contractors to work as fast as possible, for they are paid so much a cubic metre for soil excavated or dredged. It is for the advantage of the canal company to have the canal completed and open as soon as possible, as this means a saving of interest on the stock and bonds. So increased activity is the object of all concerned. Of the five firms of contractors three are French, one American from New York, and one Anglo-Dutch. Their contracts vary from fifteen to thirty million cubic metres, and the prices from about forty cents to a dollar and eighty cents per metre. There remains in all not far from one hundred million cubic metres to be removed, the cost of which can be put down in round figures at $100,000,000, or an average of a dollar the cubic metre.

FIGHTING TO A FINISH.

Jimmy Carroll and Dick Collier Fight Twenty-two Rounds.

[New York Times.]

Jimmy Carroll, of this city, and Dick Collier, of Philadelphia, both of whom have been principals in prize-fights before, each having succumbed to the superior science and strength of Jack Ashton, the Boston middle-weight, met in the ring yesterday afternoon in a sporting-house at Coney Island. There were sixty spectators, mostly New York politicians, who paid $10 apiece to see the fight. The affair was arranged very quietly, and the principals and their friends, who went to Coney Island by different trains from Hunter's Point and East New York, escaped the scrutiny of several detectives who were on the lookout for Sullivan and Herald, who, it was reported, were to settle their little differences at some secluded spot on Long Island. The fight was to a finish, with small gloves, Marquis of Queensbury rules to govern—three-minute rounds and one-minute intervals—for a prize of $300. Twenty-two rounds were fought in one hour and thirty-one minutes, the fight being awarded to Carroll, who managed to get in the last blow. At the finish both men looked like two fighting cocks after a hard battle, floundering around the ring, neither having strength enough to make a square hit. Carroll, who is twenty-seven years of age, weighed 168 pounds, while Collier, who is twenty-four years old, tipped the scales at 156 pounds. Harry Webb, Collier's backer and the manager of the affair, express