

OPPOSE THE BELL CO. CIVILIENS PROTEST AGAINST GRANTING IT NEW FRANCHISE.

MEETING AT CORCORAN HALL. Mr. W. T. Hancock Presents a Resolution Urging the Council to Vote Against Proposed Ordinance—Plain Talk by Several Speakers.

There was a mass-meeting of the citizens of the ward last night, called for the purpose of protesting against the proposed ordinance granting a franchise to the Bell Telephone Company to do business in the city of Richmond. The meeting was called to order by the Rev. J. A. Curtis, who called the meeting to order. Mr. L. G. Wilcox was appointed secretary of the meeting.

Mr. A. C. Peay, a representative citizen of the ward, recently an in-charge in the office of the Collector of Revenue, introduced Captain John A. Curtis, who called the meeting to order. Mr. L. G. Wilcox was appointed secretary of the meeting.

After the reading of the resolutions before the assembly, Captain Curtis made a speech opposing the ordinance granting a franchise to the Bell Telephone Company. He gave a history of the Bell Company in this city, and the rise of the present Richmond Telephone Company. He produced figures in proof of his statements regarding the companies.

Mr. S. F. Padgett made a spirited speech, wherein he urged the people to impress upon their representatives in the Council the necessity of voting down the ordinance. He said that if the Bell Company were granted a franchise, it would be equivalent to a vote for the people.

Mr. W. T. Hancock presented a resolution, which was read and adopted. It was a resolution urging the Council to vote against the proposed ordinance. He said that if the ordinance were passed, it would be a disgrace to the city.

Mr. A. C. Peay announced that he had canvassed the better part of Marshall ward, and only one man that he had approached had refused to sign a petition against the ordinance. That man said he would not sign any paper except one that would forever exclude the Bell Company from the streets of Richmond.

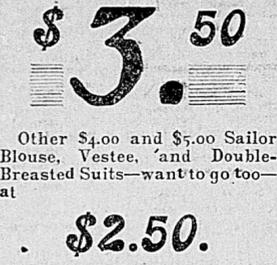
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PINGREE A SHOEMAKER.

His Meeting With Colonel Mosby After the War.

Hazen S. Pingree, formerly Mayor of Detroit and Governor of Michigan, who died in London on Wednesday, learned the trade of shoemaking in the dingy little shop of a cobbler in Georgetown, now West Washington, District of Columbia. While a soldier in the war between the states Pingree's regiment camped on the Virginia side of the Potomac, just across the aqueduct bridge, and it was his duty to get the mail from Georgetown postoffice daily. Often the mail would be late and Pingree would kill time talking to the cobbler, who taught him how to mend shoes, and finally to make them. Pingree earned many an honest dollar by cobbling for his comrades, and from that beginning pushed on with characteristic pluck and brains until he made a fortune as an enterprising and honest manufacturer.

A friend introduced him to Colonel Mosby, the old Confederate chieftain. "Why, hello, Colonel," said Pingree, in his bluff off-hand way, just as if he was in the habit of meeting Mosby every day. "I haven't seen you for twenty-five years, but I remember well the last occasion we met."

"Ah," said the Virginian politely, "what incident recalls it to your mind? I really fail to remember you, much to my regret."

"Well," said the Michigander, "you wouldn't be so apt to remember the day I was captured by your men, and, happening to be wearing a good, heavy new uniform, you confiscated it on the spot, and gave it to your old regimental sutler. But that's all right, all's fair in love and war. I know. Let's have a cigar."

With that Mosby accepted, and a long, friendly chat followed.

An Anachronism Among Orientals.

(Anna Northend Benjamin in Ainslee's.) "The Filipinos are much as the Spaniards have made them. The upper classes adhere closely to Spanish custom, so that they are almost unrecognizable. But that's all right, all's fair in love and war. I know. Let's have a cigar."

Enamelled Cloth in Housekeeping.

(Harpers' Bazar.) Tiled kitchens or those with a tiled, hard paint finish are the ambition of every modern housekeeper. In such a kitchen, which is part of a costly home in New York, the cook explained to an admiring visitor the other day that he could stand with his back to the range and wash the garden hose over all the rest of the room, without the slightest injury to the room, and that he had done it more than once. The floor, walls, and ceiling are tiled; sink, tubs, kneading-board, etc., are porcelain, marble, and glass. It is not at all uncommon for a man to be able to wash the garden hose over all the rest of the room, without the slightest injury to the room, and that he had done it more than once.

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STORM AT CONNELLSVILLE.

People for an Hour in Terror—Lurch Railway Washouts. CONNELLSVILLE, PA., June 27.—This section was visited to-day by a most terrific storm, and for an hour the citizens were in terror. The Baltimore and Ohio Short Line between Leisenring and O'Hara's crossing, was completely washed out, and coke traffic in the Leisenring District will be delayed for several days in consequence. A huge washout at Mile Run, just below West Newton, completely tied up the Baltimore and Ohio railway. All trains are coming in five and six hours late, and many of the trains have been tramped to the Pittsburg and Lake Erie road. The washout is about 100 yards in length, and besides this damage, the railroad bridge at the same place was washed away by the torrent of water that rushed down Mile Run. It will require at least two days to repair the damage.

YOUNG MAN DROWNED.

He Sinks After Rescuing a Young Lady. KNOXVILLE, TENN., June 27.—Samuel Logan, son of Judge S. T. Logan, was drowned in the Tennessee river this evening, after rescuing Miss Gulon, of New Orleans, from the imminent danger of being young people had gone out on the river for a boating frolic. In attempting to ride the waves behind a stern-wheel steamer, the yawl dipped, and Miss Gulon, thinking the boat was turning over, leaped into the river. Logan, who was sitting next her, saw her sinking. After a hard struggle in the turbulent waves he got Miss Gulon to the boat. As she was being pulled into the boat, and before help could be extended to him, young Logan sank from exhaustion, and was drowned.

FOUR MEN KILLED.

A Fifth Man at a Hospital, and Not Expected to Live. BUFFALO, N. Y., June 27.—As the result of the breaking of a temporary platform, built on a scaffolding inside and bringing the top of a monster tank in the Eastern elevator, this afternoon, six men fell a distance of eighty feet. Four were killed, one instantly, the others dying within a few hours. Another is at the Emergency Hospital. He is not expected to live.

The men were structural iron-workers and tank-builders. They were engaged in building the top of the huge iron tank. The exact cause of the accident, in all probability, never will be known.

RAILWAY COMMISSIONER STABBED

Seriously Injured by Pullman-Car Conductor. ATLANTA, GA., June 27.—A special to the Constitution from Marietta, Ga., says: "The Georgia Railroad Commission, was stabbed and seriously injured by a Pullman-car conductor on the train which left Atlanta at 5 o'clock this evening. According to the preliminary statement, the conductor took exception to Mr. Crenshaw's failure to produce his fare. Words passed, when Mr. Crenshaw knocked the conductor into the car window, breaking the glass. The conductor then drew his knife, according to Mr. Crenshaw, and cut the railroad commissioner twice in the neck and once in the shoulder. The conductor was arrested at Marietta. The train was held until he gave bond, and he proceeded on his trip. Mr. Crenshaw lives in Marietta. The conductor's name is J. H. Kirkland, and he is employed on the St. Louis-Atlanta run."

THE PEKIN PROCEEDINGS.

Prediction of Possible Vengeance from 20,000,000 Boxers. PEKIN, June 27.—The foreign ministers at to-day's meeting only discussed minor points of the indemnity question. When these points are settled, the work of the ministers will be practically completed. Rev. Arthur Smith, the missionary and author, preaching at Tien Tsin on the anniversary of the relief of that city, said he had a horrible vision of the future. He said that unless there was a complete regeneration of China, in a few years the country would be menaced by twenty million Boxers.

Plant System to be Reorganized.

CHICAGO, ILL., June 27.—The Record-Herald to-morrow will say: "Several of the railroad companies comprising the Plant System are to be reorganized and consolidated under one name and one management. The directors of the various stockholders have been called for early in July, to decide upon the details. The companies affected are the Savannah, Florida and Georgia Railway, the Florida Gulf and Tampa, one object sought by the consolidation is to reduce the operating expenses, and another is economy. Some of the lines which are operated as a part of the Plant System are the Florida Gulf and Tampa, the Florida Southern, the Sanford and St. Johns River, the Jacksonville and Gulf, the East Florida, the Ashley River, the Great Pond, Waterboro' and Branchville, the Abbeville Southern, and the Winston and Ton Valley."

Personals and Briefs.

Captain J. Taylor Stratton is quite sick at his home. Miss Rose McLevy and Miss Nora O'Connell gave a soiree and ball for the benefit of Mrs. Slagle in Masonic Hall, on Tuesday. There was a large attendance. The Building Committee of Grove-Avenue church will meet in a few days to take the regular business of the church. Mr. Eugene B. Snyder is extremely ill at his residence, No. 25 east Franklin street. Mr. Henry Cohn, recently elected Superintendent of Street Cleaning, qualified before City Clerk, B. T. August yesterday morning, furnishing bond in the sum of \$1,500.

Miss Hester Martin and Mr. George Barksdale were married at the residence of the bride, No. 3816-12 Seventh street, Wednesday night.

A large party of Buckingham county people were in the city yesterday. Many of them remained in the Capitol Square during the greater part of the day.

Mr. Maben S. Jones, who is on his way home from college, will be in the city attending the Kappa Alpha convention here, will spend a few days with his brother, Mr. Plummer F. Jones.

The Southern Bell Telephone Company is mailing a number of pamphlets, containing the text of the report of the Street Committee to many of the citizens of Richmond.

Rev. P. A. Cave, pastor of the Third Christian church, has returned from a two weeks' visit to his parents in Louisiana. He will occupy his pulpit on Sunday.

Mrs. J. B. Lacy and daughter, Miss Effie, will spend the month of July at Ocean View.

Miss Alice Larcambe is the guest of Miss Edythe White.

Miss Sophie White is visiting friends in Detroit.

has been appointed a teacher in the Summer Normal at Marion to succeed Mr. Leroy S. Edwards, of this city, who declines on account of continued indisposition.

Richmonders in New York. NEW YORK, June 27.—(Special.)—C. J. Mellin, Morton; J. Wallace Vendome; W. T. Sweet and wife, Broadway Central; M. C. Plison, Imperial; P. S. Barr, Marlborough; Mrs. C. M. Groome, Mrs. S. S. Dean, Rosmore.

King Edward's Coronation Next June. LONDON, June 27.—A proclamation of King Edward's, issued to-day, announces that his coronation is to take place on a day, not yet determined upon, in June next, and that the ceremonies shall include only such as are traditionally solemnized in Westminster Abbey. This officially excludes the King's Champion and numerous ancient usages in connection with the procession.

Austro-Mexican Entente Restored. VIENNA, June 27.—Count Gilbert von Henwart von Gerlachstein has been appointed Austro-Hungarian Minister to Mexico. Diplomatic relations between Austria-Hungary and Mexico, interrupted since 1857, the year Emperor Maximilian was shot, are thus formally re-established.

The Pope Reported Ill. PARIS, June 27.—A dispatch to the Petit Bleu from Rome announces that the Pope is seriously ill, and says that Dr. Lappo, the attending physician, does not leave the Pontiff's bedside. The Vatican officials are anxious concerning the Pope's health.

The Trial of Earl Russell. LONDON, June 27.—In the House of Lords to-day the Lord Chancellor, Lord Halsbury, announced the receipt of a letter from the Recorder, setting forth that a true bill had been found against Earl Russell on the charge of bigamy, and moved the appointment of a committee to arrange the procedure in the case. The motion was agreed to.

Automobile Race in France. PARIS, June 27.—In the automobile race between Paris and Besancon, four men arrived at Aix-la-Chapelle ahead of all competitors. This place was the end of the first day's run, 231 miles. Fourteen averaged forty-five miles an hour, exclusive of stops.

Manchester's Teams Accepted. LONDON, June 27.—At a meeting of the Duke of Manchester's unsecured creditors to-day, they approved the proposal for the composition of 12 shillings 6 pence in the pound, sterling. The other creditors will be paid in full when the accounts are settled, and the bankruptcy will be annulled.

Lieutenant E. E. Downes Killed. MANILA, June 27.—Lieutenant Edward E. Downes, of the First Infantry, and one private of that regiment have been killed in the southern part of the Island of Samar.

Fatal Fire on Lehigh Valley Road. BUFFALO, N. Y., June 27.—One life was lost, several men were more or less injured, and property valued at about \$100,000 was destroyed by a fire which totally consumed the west-bound freight-train of the Lehigh Valley railway, at Tift Farm, this afternoon.

British Commons Adopt Coal Tax. LONDON, June 27.—After a prolonged debate in the House of Commons, the House of Commons, in committee at 2 o'clock this morning, adopted the coal tax by a majority of 88.

Gorman's Candidacy Announced. BALTIMORE, Md., June 27.—The candidacy of former-Senator Arthur Gorman for reelection to the United States Senate by the Legislature, which is to be chosen this fall, was informally announced to-day at a dinner given in his honor at the country home of Joseph Friedenwald, one of Gorman's most ardent admirers.

Walworth Breaks World's Record. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 27.—At the Coliseum Park to-night Bob Walworth drove for considerable distance, in a twenty-mile motor-race, in 33:32.5, beating the world's record, made by Stinson of 38:24. Walworth's closing mile was made in 1:34.5, which, it is said, breaks the competition record for that distance.

Marriage in Barton Heights. Miss Minnie Gertrude Blount and Mr. John W. Barton, of Albemarle, were married at the home of the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Blount, in Hill avenue, on Wednesday night. Rev. Ernest Stevens, of the Barton Heights Methodist church, performed the ceremony. The parlors were beautifully decorated for the occasion.

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FELL FROM TOP OF CAR.

Motorman McGhee, of Chestnut Hill Line, Seriously Injured. While attempting to remedy trouble with the trolley pole, Motorman J. O. McGhee, of the Passenger and Power Company, fell from the top of car No. 280, late last night and fractured his skull. He lies in a precarious condition at the Virginia Hospital. The accident happened at the curve at the Seventh and Baker streets, on the Chestnut Hill branch, at 10:50. Mr. McGhee was attended by Dr. H. Stuart McLean, the company surgeon; Dr. J. Allison Hodges, and Dr. Hugh Taylor.

VICTIM OF BLACKMAILERS.

His Home Destroyed—His Wife Fatally Burned. TOPEKA, KAN., June 27.—Blackmailers who demanded \$5,000 from W. C. Carson, a wealthy Cowley county farmer, and ignored, fired the Carson homestead while Carson was en route for Oxford for his mail. The house was destroyed, and Mrs. Carson was fatally injured. Carson received an anonymous letter, several weeks ago, demanding that he deposit \$5,000 at a certain point. He ignored the missive. Later, another letter was received, stating that should he not comply with the demand his house would be burned and his life taken. This also was ignored.

While he was absent Saturday evening, flames suddenly broke out in the house. Mrs. Carson escaped, but returned to the house for a highly-prized violin. While Mrs. Carson searched for the instrument the flames spread rapidly, and when she again reached the open air she was enveloped in flames. Neighbors rushed to her assistance, but she died, after several hours' suffering. No clew has been obtained to the incendiaries.

Fruit Salad. (Harpers' Bazar.) Pineapple Salad—This is one of the best of all the fruit salads, served either during the meal, or as a sweet course at the end of the dinner. It is prepared as follows: For the first, pick up the pineapple in rather large bits and put in a glass dish, and put strawberries on the top. Cover with French dressing, and stand the dish on a platter on which is a quantity of broken ice. Or, to vary the plan, prepare as above, but pass mayonnaise with it, besides the dressing. To turn this into a sweet dish, and yet keep its salad form, prepare the pineapple and strawberries as powdered sugar and sprinkle it with the juice of a lemon. When ready to serve put Maraschino cherries over the top, and the juice over all; serve in the ice bed as before.

Mixed Fruit Salad—Bits of pineapple may be mixed also with orange, banana, and preserved cherries, and sugar and sherry or rum poured over all. This is most delicious when chilled.

Cherry Salad—The California cherries which come in summer are chosen for this. They are stoned, laid on lettuce, and French dressing is poured over, and the whole is allowed to stand for a little, when the juice is turned out and poured over the second time. Cost, twenty-five cents for six. Time, fifteen minutes.

General Harrison at Indianapolis. (Joe Mitchell Chapple in The National Magazine for April.) Among my library treasures are several personal letters and one characteristic telegram signed "Benjamin Harrison." Upon the Sunday following the assassination of Mayor Harrison of Chicago in 1893, I first met General Harrison at home in that tall brick house on Delaware street, Indianapolis. It was in October, and the autumn leaves and gray sky outside made the reception room seem dark and gloomy. On an easel between the folding doors was a picture of the first Mrs. Harrison, who had died during the year, and the portrait was draped with a tiny bit of an American flag. A peacock with gorgeous feathers stood on a pedestal nearby, as if a sentinel on duty. A short, stout man entered, and when he took my hand there was a warmth and cordiality which, judging from newspaper reports, I had not expected. He was a lonesome man, and his great, gray eyes seemed to hunger for sympathy. As he sat down his large head and whiskers made him seem taller than when standing. His peculiar voice, but well-phrased sentences were impressive. He appeared never to utter a word that was not surcharged with thought. As a thinker, his keen, analytical powers never failed him. I had scarcely concluded stating my mission, as briefly as possible, before he had grasped the entire situation, and gave me an affirmative answer with a deliberative nod of his head. The floor of the room was covered with furs, and arising he reflectively dug his heels in the rugs, and tapped his toes against the corner, as conversation usually does for a last talk on the street corner. Simple, direct and yet keen, the depth of General Harrison's real nature was little

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