



MRS. MARY McELROY,

Mistress of the White House.

As everybody knows, President Arthur is a widower, but as official receptions could not be complete without the charm of a hostess, and his daughter is too young to undertake the responsibilities of the position, Mrs. McElroy, sister of the chief magistrate of the United States, graciously undertakes them, and with the success which makes her social administration a notable one in the line of triumphs which the ladies of the white house have realized.

Mrs. Mary McElroy is the president's youngest sister. She is one of six boys and girls constituting the Arthur family, of which, being the youngest, she was the darling. Her illustrious brother regards her with peculiar affection. The facial likeness between the brother and sister is remarkable, but she is below the medium stature. Her eyes and hair are dark. The lady is exceedingly affable and pleasing.

Mrs. McElroy's home is in Albany, New York, of which city her husband has been an honored resident many years. He is a man of considerable wealth, made in the insurance business. The couple have four children, the fair sex represented by Misses May and Jessie, and the stern ditto by a young man now in college, and a lad of about ten. May stays at home in Albany, in charge of her father's domestic establishment; Jessie attends school in Washington with her cousin, Nellie Arthur.

Social life in Washington, presidential receptions and dinners particularly, will miss sweet little Mrs. McElroy, when her brother's removal from the white house shall renew her exclusive attention to the care of her home in Albany.

A Counterfeiter Sentenced.

CHICAGO, January 21.—Ferdinand Dittman, a quite wealthy farmer, was sentenced in the U. S. court to-day to one year in the penitentiary for making a number of ten dollar counterfeit silver certificates at his farm near Salesville, Wisconsin.

A Good Deed.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 21.—Senator J. G. Fair had a deed signed for a building site, valued at \$12,000, and presented it yesterday as a gift to the Boys' and Girls' Aid society of this city.

Killed his Daughter.

BELLEVILLE, Ont., January 22.—A man named Barton, living at Lime lake, while drunk, struck his sick daughter with a chair, killing her. The girl's mother ran to a neighbor's house. The night was bitter cold, and the mother died from the exposure and excitement.

Military Reservation Opened.

WASHINGTON, January 21.—The president has issued a proclamation directing that the military reservation at Fort Dodge, Kansas, being no longer needed for military purposes, be placed under the control of the secretary of the interior for disposition by sale or otherwise.

War on New York Gambling Dens.

NEW YORK, January 20.—Gen. Fitz John Porter, police commissioner, has been acquainting himself with the gambling dens of New York with a view to their suppression. He employed two detectives from Newark, N. J., to find out where games were in operation, and said the men out of his own pocket. Inspector Byrnes, of the detective force, with a large number of his men, raided a dozen up-town fashionable gambling houses to-night and captured a large amount of contraband articles in the shape of cards, checks, faro and other equipments. A number of men were arrested.

A Set-to on the Side.

NEW YORK, January 21.—The Mail and Express says: It transpired to-day that before a division of the money was made yesterday at the Coleman house, Sullivan and Ryan struck each other and were only prevented by friends

from having a rough and tumble fight. Ryan walked in and then the war began. "I am sorry," said Ryan, that the match did not come to a close." "So am I," said Sullivan. "I can whip you now," said Ryan, "and you are among your friends, but I want to teach you a lesson." "You can't," replied Sullivan; "I am ready." "Put up your hands, John," said Ryan, and immediately let out with his right and planted a terrific blow on Sullivan's nose. Sullivan, who was unprepared for the onslaught, let go his left, but missed Paddy. Then he tried his right, but Ryan met him with a cross counter in the region of the ribs, which made the Boston boy yelp. Their backers interfered and the whole thing was put a stop to, not, however, before some of the furniture was destroyed.

Died.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., January 20.—Sister Theresa, niece of Jas. G. Blaine, died at St. Mary's (Catholic) convent here at 4 o'clock this morning. Fathers Camerford, O'Haron and Mony, her associates in religion, were at her bedside. The best medical science was powerless to stay the ravages of her disease, which she contracted while on a recent visit to Washington.

WILKESBARRE, January 21.—The secular name of Sister Theresa, who has just died, was Annie Walker, daughter of Major R. C. Walker and Elizabeth Blaine Walker, of Helena, Mont., and a niece of Hon. James G. Blaine. She was born in Brownsville, Pa., and finished her course of studies at St. Xavier's academy, in Westmoreland county, Pa. She made her religious profession at St. Mary's convent, Pittsburg, in 1869, and was 30 years of age.

WASHINGTON, January 22.—Mrs. Mary A. Matthews, wife of Stanley Matthews, associate justice of the supreme court of the United States, died this morning.

Senatorial.

ALBANY, January 20.—The senate formally submitted the nomination of Wm. M. Everts for senator to-day. Everts received 19 votes and Cooper 13. At noon the house balloted for senator with the following result: Everts 73, Cooper 52.

PROVIDENCE, January 20.—Jonathan Chase was elected U. S. senator to-day by the following vote: Chase 78, Wm. P. Sheffield 6, Isaac Bell, Jr. 22.

HARTFORD, January 20.—The senate at noon voted for U. S. senator. O. H. Platt (rep.) received 15 votes, and W. H. Barnum (dem.) 7. In the house Platt received 148 and Barnum 77.

INDIANAPOLIS, January 20.—Voorhees was re-elected senator to-day, receiving a majority of 45 out of 149 votes over ex-Governor Porter, nominated by the republicans.

SACRAMENTO, January 20.—Ex-Gov. Stanford was nominated to-night for U. S. senator by the joint republican caucus, receiving 47 of the 80 votes cast on the second ballot.

TALLAHASSEE, January 20.—Wilkinson Call was to-day re-elected U. S. senator. The vote will be officially declared at the joint session to-morrow.

The Charges Against Botkin Sustained.

WASHINGTON, January 14.—Special Agent Yorke, who was sent to Montana by Attorney General Brewster to take evidence in the matter of charges filed against United States Marshal Botkin of that territory, has returned and made his report. He finds all the charges made by Gov. Crosby in relation to the lax management of the Deer Lodge penitentiary fully sustained. Other charges made by C. A. Broadwater and others were not sustained, except the one alleging drunkenness habitual and sufficient to interfere with a proper performance of official duties. The report has received the endorsement of the attorney general and goes to the president this week.

No Court Martial.

WASHINGTON, January 19.—The secretary of war declined to order a court martial for the trial of Chief Signal Officer Hazen on the charges prepared by Lieut. Garlington, and has decided to take no further action regarding the Greely relief expedition.

Quarantined Stock Trails.

WASHINGTON, January 19.—The bill introduced by Senator Coke to establish quarantined stock trails, provides for the appointment of three commissioners to lay out and establish a public highway for the purpose of driving live stock to market or from one place to another, and also to establish at convenient points on this highway, or trail, suitable quarantined grazing ground, where live stock may be herded and grazed for short periods during drives. The trail to begin at Red river, near the 100th degree of longitude, thence north-westerly through the Indian Territory,

following as far as practicable the Fort Gibbon and Dodge city trail to the south-western corner of Kansas; thence over unappropriated land of the United States in a northerly direction to the boundary line between the United States and Canada. The trail shall not exceed six miles in width and the quarantined grazing ground shall not exceed twelve miles square. The unappropriated public lands needed for the purpose of the act are to be withdrawn from settlement and set apart for the purpose of the act for ten years. The report of the commissioners will require the approval of the secretary of the interior before the trail can be established.

Trouble at Panama.

PANAMA, January 20.—The condition of affairs in political circles here is greatly disturbed and a civil war is imminent. Sunday night the American man-of-war Alliance landed a force of marines, with a gatling gun, at Aspinwall to guard the railroad and canal property there. The landing of American forces created great excitement among the natives, who disappeared when it became known that the marines were sent ashore at the request of the president.

The Indian Bill.

WASHINGTON, January 16.—The Indian appropriation bill agreed upon by the house committee on appropriations provides an appropriation of \$5,664,136. The estimates were \$7,325,049. The appropriation made at the last session for the present fiscal year was \$5,589,403. The bill provides for fine and imprisonment whenever any person shall furnish any Indian guns or ammunition, except civilized Indians of Indian territory. The president is empowered to disarm such Indians as in his judgment may seem best to preserve the peace and prevent depredations. The bill further provides for punishment by fine and imprisonment of persons introducing ardent spirits into the Indian country.



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Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Co-partnership heretofore existing between D. J. Burnet and John Wren, and known as the firm of Burnet & Wren, has been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. D. J. Burnet having bought the entire interest of John Wren will collect all bills and pay all debts of the said firm. D. J. BURNET, JOHN WREN.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing and known as the firm of Milner & Boardman is dissolved by mutual consent. Either of the member of the late said firm will collect the debts and pay the bills. M. H. MILNER. Dated September 13th, 1884.

Strayed or stolen.

From Fort Benton, last May, two work horses, a bay and a brown, both branded C on the left jaw; the bay also branded B on the left thigh. He is a heavy set horse, with large mane, and will weigh between 1,000 and 1,100 pounds. The brown horse is a pacer, with white spot on nose, and the hoofs of both fore feet are split or broken; will weigh between 1,100 and 1,200 pounds. Both horses have some white on one hind leg. A liberal reward will be paid for information that will lead to their recovery. Address the RIVER PRESS, Fort Benton, M. T.

Estrayed.

From Belt Park Herd, two strawberry roan horses, one seven years old, weight about 875 pounds, branded X on neck and monogram T.L. on left hip; the other about four years old, weight about 1050 pounds, branded 4 on left hip and vented on left shoulder; also monogram T.L. on left hip. A suitable reward will be paid for information that will lead to their recovery. HENRY LAMBERT.

Dissolution Notice.

The firm heretofore existing under the name and style of Harris & Lewis, doing business in the City of Fort Benton, Montana Territory, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. R. W. Lewis having purchased the entire interest of Howell Harris. Mr. Lewis will collect all bills and pay all debts of the concern. HOWELL HARRIS, EDWARD W. LEWIS. Fort Benton, M. T. November 11th, 1884.

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