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Interesting Reading on Every Page.

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Gen. Grant not a Party Man.

Date, the Washington correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun*, in his letter to that paper of yesterday, says:

A Southern editor, who has for some time been advocating the election of Gen. Grant as President, came to this city last week for the purpose of learning directly from the General his political status. He obtained an interview with Gen. Grant, and informed the latter that many of his friends, who were supporting him as the embodiment of patriotism and the fit representative of the truly conservative men of the country, had been alarmed at the position in which Mr. Washburn had placed him in the Galena speech; that if Mr. Washburn correctly stated Gen. Grant's political opinion, he (Gen. Grant) is as much a Radical as any of them, and belongs to the Radical party.

The editor says that Gen. Grant replied to this that he was not a party man, and never had been of any political party, and perhaps should never be; that he voted for Mr. Buchanan for President, but had not done much voting since, because of his unsettled residence. The editor further says that the impression he derived from the conversation was that Gen. Grant will not accept a nomination for the Presidency from the Radicals proper, but that he would accept the nomination as the representative of conservative men. The editor has taken notes of the conversation, and proposes to print them in his newspaper.

This Southern editor is Dr. Bann, of the Atlanta (Georgia) *New Era*.

GENERAL SHERIDAN passed through Portsmouth, N. H., on Monday morning, but did not get off the train. He stood on the platform and shook hands with hosts of eager people. A grand reception had been arranged if he would have stopped. He left for Portland at eleven o'clock.

AN ATTEMPT was made on Saturday evening to throw the Northern express train for Boston from the track, at Thornton's Ferry, on the Concord railroad, by placing a piece of rail on the frog at the switch. Had the train been going at its usual speed there is but little doubt many lives would have been lost.

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE that has in charge the examination into the affairs of the Pay Department, of which Mr. LINCOLN, of New York, is chairman, were in session in their room at the Capitol yesterday. Several witnesses were examined with respect to the dismissal of certain clerks for disloyalty and incompetency.

THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, who have been to Kentucky to examine into the loyalty of some of the members of Congress from that State, have finished their work, and will return. They will, it is understood, recommend the immediate admission of Mr. KNOTT, whose loyalty is unquestioned.

O. C. ADAMS, a mail agent between Boston and Portland, was shot at in the streets of Saco, Maine, on Sunday night, by a ruffian, who then attacked him with the butt of his pistol, inflicting several wounds before being frightened away. The would-be murderer is still unknown.

NATIONAL THEATRE.—The popular play of "East Lynne," with Miss LUCILLE WESTERN as Lady Isabel and Madame Vine, will be repeated this evening at the National Theatre for the last time this season. Weather permitting, there is likely to be a large attendance.

A DISPATCH to last evening's papers says: Gen. GARIBALDI has crossed the Roman frontier, and is now at the head of 4,000 men. His force is disposed for effective operations, and is being marched on Rome from the direction of Monte Rotonda.

THE Charleston (S. C.) *News*, which has heretofore supported the reconstruction acts of Congress, now comes out against them, and advises the people of South Carolina not to vote on the question of a State convention.

WALL'S OPERA HOUSE.—This house was filled last evening to witness, for the first time, "Under the Gas Light." The play is good, has many thrilling effects, and will doubtless run well.

THE OFFICIAL ESTIMATES show the Ohio Legislature to stand as follows: Senate—Democrats, 19; Republicans, 18. House—Democrats, 56; Republicans, 46.

MAJOR GEN. PERLEY POORE, who has been confined at his home in Newbury, Mass., by sickness, is so far recovered that he contemplates returning to Washington very shortly.

NEWS HAS BEEN RECEIVED in this city of the death of Assistant Surgeon J. D. MURPHY. He died of yellow fever on the 26th inst., at the Pensacola navy yard.

WE are indebted to Mr. JOHN F. ELLIS (306 Pennsylvania avenue) for a copy of the beautiful song entitled "Why Sleeping Why Dream?" This song has reached its second edition.

THE five hundredth mile of the Union Pacific railroad was made on Saturday; seventeen miles more will carry the track to Cheyenne, at the eastern base of the Rocky mountains.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION of Louisiana will meet November 23, instead of the 19th inst. The time has been changed by order of General Mower.

THE RETRENCHMENT COMMITTEE, yesterday, at the Treasury, went into an investigation of the books and papers of the Printing Bureau.

THE NUMBER of Mr. RICHARDS' shoe and boot store is 388, and not 386, as erroneously printed in our paper yesterday.

IT IS STATED that a movement is on foot in Iowa to bring out Senator HARLAN as a candidate for the Presidency.

THE storm extends all along the Atlantic seaboard on the ocean, and inland from Richmond to New Orleans.

THE RECEIPTS from internal revenue yesterday amounted to $714,886.54.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION.—Thursday next will be the three hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the separation of Martin Luther from the Roman Catholic Church, which act was the beginning of the reformation of the Church in Germany. Throughout the day and evening the anniversary will be observed by the German Evangelical Lutheran churches, not only in this city, but throughout the United States.

LATEST TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

TERRIBLE TORNADO IN TEXAS.

Matamoras Nearly Destroyed.

BAGDAD SWEPT AWAY.

TERRIBLE LOSS OF LIFE.

GENERAL SOUTHERN NEWS.

MOVEMENTS OF GEN. SHERIDAN.

TREATY WITH THE INDIANS.

THE STORM ELSEWHERE

The Late Terrific Storm on the Rio Grande—Full Particulars.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—The New Orleans *Picayune* has the following advices which confirm the destructive effects of the late storm upon the Rio Grande. *El Correo* of the 12th instant, says the hurricane was the most terrible in the memory of man on this frontier. A perpetual bombardment for a year could not have done as much damage as happened from this one night's storm.

Twenty-six persons were killed in Matamoras, ten killed and twenty-one wounded in Brownsville. At Brazos as far as known twelve persons perished.

The schooners Ella and Hedash were blown high ashore.

Only two houses were left at Clarksville, and none at Bagdad. At the latter place the loss of life is not known, ninety of the inhabitants escaped by going on board of a vessel which rode out the storm. The rest must have perished.

The colored soldiers and their officers acted badly, not only refusing all assistance to the struggling and suffering families, but retired to the sheltered part of the island, and the soldiers returned the next day to rob the wrecked goods under the remains of the warehouses and dwellings.

One of them shot and killed a citizen who detected him in robbing. The officers said they could do nothing to check their brigandism.

From the long list of damages at Brownsville we extract the following: King & Kennedy's warehouse roof was blown off and the building very badly damaged. County court-house and jail completely destroyed, and all the prisoners are at large. The entire square between Fort Brown, Fourteenth Levee and Elizabeth streets, was destroyed, including the *Ranchero* office and Masonic Hall. The office of the *Courier* had the roof blown off. The residence of W. J. Stark, correspondent of the New York *Herald*, was completely destroyed. The custom-house wall was blown down, and the Presbyterian church, post office, Hotel Elegant and other buildings were either destroyed or seriously damaged.

In Matamoras fifteen hundred houses and huts were blown down.

The greatest distress and want prevails at all points, and appeals have been made for relief.

Out of seven steamers only two can be repaired.

Particulars of the Treaty made by the Indian Commissioners.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 28.—The treaty made by the Indian commissioners with the Kiowa and Comanche tribes on the 21st instant gives them about six thousand square miles, embracing three and a half million acres. This grant embraces the southwestern corner of the present Indian territory, with a fraction from Texas. The tribes now number 4,000 persons, or about 800 lodges, and this land therefore will give 800 acres to each man, woman, and child.

The treaty also provides that these tribes shall induce their brethren, the Camanches of Northern Texas, to come and live with them, and if they succeed the United States will enlarge their reservation, adding a quantity of land sufficient to give each person 320 acres. If the Camanches can be induced to come in, this leaves a large section of country on the frontier of Texas, and opens the way to the civilization of this once powerful, roving band.

It is proposed to give each Indian on the reservation a suit of clothing annually, consisting of a coat, pants, hat, and socks, and in addition to this $25,000 annually in such articles as the Indians most need. Several other provisions have been made to furnish seeds and agricultural implements to such persons as wish to commence farming. The Indians agree to let all the railroads be built, and especially the Smoky Hill and Platte roads. They agree to a lasting peace, and not to capture any women or children, and to attack no more trains, and to cease killing men.

They will be allowed to hunt on their old reservation in South Kansas until settlements drive away the buffalo.

Arrival of Gen. Sheridan at Portland, Me.—Grand Ovation.

PORTLAND, Me., Oct. 28.—Gen. Sheridan arrived here at one o'clock to-day, having made short stops at Salem, Newburyport, Portsmouth, and other places on the route. He was received here with a Major General's salute of artillery and the ringing of church bells.

The city officials were at the station to meet the party, and Mayor Stevens greeted them with a brief speech of welcome, to which Gen. Sheridan briefly responded.

The whole party then took carriages and were escorted by a military procession, and the cavalcade passed through the principal streets, which were filled with an immense crowd.

The buildings along the way were decked with flags and inscriptions. At the City Hall Gen. Sheridan received the citizens, who crowded to pay their compliments to him.

From Memphis—Important Cotton Decision—Postponement of the Races—The Yellow Fever.

MEMPHIS, Oct. 28.—The revenue assessor here has decided that shippers must pay the tax on cotton instead of sellers, as heretofore, which makes a difference of two and a half per cent. on former quotations, and has caused a stagnation in the market to-day.

The races on the Memphis course have been postponed one week in consequence of the yellow fever.

There were seven interments from yellow fever for the twenty four hours ending at five this evening.

Republican Meeting in Augusta, Ga.

AUGUSTA, GA., Oct. 28.—The Republicans held a mass meeting here to-night, and Messrs. Blodgett, Bullock, Conley, and Beard, candidates for the Convention, made speeches endorsing the Atlanta platform.

Steps were taken to preserve order during the election.

The freedmen are coming in from the country this evening to take part in the election.

There are no opposing candidates, the Conservatives apparently having determined to take no part in the elections.

Reported Fight among the Indians.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—A special dispatch to the *Tribune*, dated Denver, October 24, says it is reported that a fight lately took place between the Blackfeet and Grass Ventres, in which the latter lost seventy men. An alliance has been formed between the Sioux, Cheyennes, Crows, and Arrapahoes, to carry on a war of extermination against the Blackfeet Indians.

The Storm at Wilmington.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Oct. 28.—A tremendous rain storm is prevailing here with heavy wind, producing a very high tide, submerging the wharves on the opposite side of the river. No serious damage has been done. There is a heavy blow outside, but no disasters have been reported yet.

Yellow Fever in Memphis.

MEMPHIS, Oct. 28.—There were eight interments from yellow fever yesterday.

The weather is clear and warm.

There is no abatement of the fever.

From Mobile—Yellow Fever.

MOBILE, Oct. 28.—There was a heavy rain yesterday, and the weather is cloudy and cold. There have been twelve interments from yellow fever for the past two days.

Yellow Fever in New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 28.—Ten deaths occurred from yellow fever yesterday and sixteen to-day. There has been no frost yet, and absentees are cautioned to remain away for a short time yet.

Election of Delegates in Savannah.

SAVANNAH, GA., Oct. 28.—The election of delegates to the convention commences here to-morrow, and continues for three days.

The Storm in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 28.—A heavy rain storm, accompanied by a high northeast wind, has been prevailing here since 2 p. m., and still continues.

DIED.

The funeral of the late Dr. HORACE P. MIDDLETON will take place this (Tuesday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, from the residence of his father, D. W. Middleton, No. 568 New Jersey avenue, Capitol Hill.

New Advertisements.

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PROPOSALS FOR LATERAL SEWER PIPES IN H STREET NORTH, BETWEEN SEVENTEENTH AND NINETEENTH STREETS WEST.

Proposals will be received at the Mayor's Office, City Hall, until 12 o'clock, m., on WEDNESDAY, the 6th of November next, for furnishing and laying nine-inch cement drain pipe, into all lots or parts of lots on said H street north as are not already provided.

Specifications can be seen by calling on the Superintendent and Inspector of Sewers in the basement of the west wing of the City Hall, and the right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

WM. FORSYTH,
oct29, nov1&5 Supt. and Inspector, &c.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, October, 24, 1867.

On the petition of AARON PALMER, of Brookport, New York, and STEPHEN G. WILLIAMS of Janesville, Wis., praying for the extension of a patent granted to them the 24th day of January, 1854, for an improvement in grain Harvesters, for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 24th day of January 1868:

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on MONDAY, the 6th day of January, next, and all persons are notified and allowed to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition should not be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party, to be used at the said hearing, must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

Depositions and other papers, relied upon as testimony, must be filed in the office twenty days before the day of hearing; the arguments, if any, within ten days after filing the testimony.

Ordered, also, that this notice be published in the REPUBLICAN and the *Intelligencer*, Washington, D. C., and in the *Democrat*, Rochester, N. Y., once a week for three successive weeks; the first of said publications to be at least sixty days previous to the day of hearing.

F. C. TRUMBULL,
oct29 w3w Commissioner of Patents.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Board of Aldermen.

The Board met pursuant to law. J. Russell Barr, president in the chair; S. V. Noyes, secretary.

The Mayor sent in his approval of the following acts: "An act for laying a flagway across C street south on the east side of Thirteenth street west;" "an act making an appropriation for necessary repairs in the register's office;" "an act to change the manner of collecting special taxes."

The Mayor also transmitted a letter from Mr. Forsyth, Superintendent of Sewers, in reply to a resolution of the Board of the 8th inst., in relation to the change of the plan of sewerage on Seventeenth street west, between H and I streets north, and submitted the opinion of Joseph H. Bradley, esq., Corporation Attorney.

Mr. Bradley says: "I understand a contract has been made and the tax assessed under the advertisements for proposals issued by the Mayor on 20th January last, on the construction of a sewer from the south side of New York avenue to I street north, along Seventeenth street west, according to the plan of sewerage adopted heretofore, and it is now proposed to change this plan so as to make the water run from Seventeenth to Eighteenth street, along I, if it can be done without detriment to the interest of the corporation.

"In my opinion this cannot be done. It would involve a breach of the contract, and requires an entirely new apportionment of the tax laid on the property along the original route, and thus come directly in conflict with the rights of the owners of such property." Ordered to be published with the proceedings, and also referred to the Committee on Drainage.

A communication was also received from the Mayor, transmitting an answer from J. Vondelehr and John T. Garner, commissioners of the Second and Third wards, to a resolution of the Board of Aldermen relating to the water pipe on Tenth street.

The communication was ordered to be referred back to the Mayor, asking for a more explicit answer to the resolution of the Board.

A communication was received from Chas H. Bliss, City Surveyor, in which he says that "in reply to a resolution of your Board of 21st October I would recommend that a sewer be built from Boundary street to R, of such shape and size as the natural ground will admit of and the volume of water will require." Referred to the Committee on Drainage.

A communication was received from the Board of Trade, stating that that body had appointed as a committee to confer with a committee of the Board in relation to matters connected with the Alexandria, Loudoun, and Hampshire Railroad Company, Messrs. Samuel Bacon, James L. Barbour, and Owen Thorn.

Mr. Elvans moved that a committee of ten be appointed to confer with the committee of the Board of Trade.

Mr. Tait made a few remarks in reference to the trip to Leesburg, in which he said that the committee of the councils had been particular not to commit themselves to any line of policy in reference to the road.

Mr. Moore had no objection to the appointment of a committee, and was in favor of giving the measure all the moral support they could, but beyond that the Board could not go.

It was agreed to appoint the committee, and Messrs. Tait and Richards were designated as such.

A communication was received from Joseph H. Bradley, corporation attorney, in reply to a resolution of the Board of the 16th September, inquiring as to the fees of magistrates. It is as follows:

The justices of the peace who may from time to time be selected and employed by the Board of Police, under the act of 16th July, 1862, to sit at the respective station-houses, &c., are neither part of the Metropolitan police, nor officers or clerks. The Metropolitan police is defined in the act creating it and in subsequent acts, and the officers and clerks are as distinctly enunciated. By the fourth section of the act of 6th August, 1861, the officers are a president and clerks; by section 7, the police force shall consist of a superintendent of police, ten sergeants of police, and such number of police patrolmen as the Board may deem necessary, not exceeding for the regular service, one hundred and fifty. By subsequent acts the officers and men have been increased, but it retains the same character as officers. Nowhere are the justices of the peace spoken of as members of the force or as officers or clerks. Effect this can have will be inconsistent with such an intention. They are officers of the law appointed by a different authority and holding their offices by a different tenure intended to be independent judicial officers.

For the convenience of the detail of the police duties, and preserving some accountability in their administration, the Police Board is empowered to select and employ them, not as their officers or servants, but as the persons through whom these officers and servants shall discharge certain portions of their duties, and the board may thus have a supervision of the manner in which they are discharged.

So this Corporation is interested in having certain and ascertained justices by whose judgment their ordinances are to be enforced and the fines levied may be accounted for.

But this does not constitute them in any sense members of the Metropolitan Police, or officers or clerks, for whom alone the increase of pay was provided. It follows that they have no just claim to such increased compensation, and none upon this Corporation.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, and ordered to be printed with the proceedings.

Mr. Elvans introduced a bill entitled "An act to regulate the payment of warrants drawn by the Mayor and countersigned by the Register." Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Lloyd presented the petition of Antonio Iccaynomi for the remission of a fine. Referred to the Committee on Claims.

The bill making appropriation for arrearages due public schools being the special order of the evening it was called up—

Mr. Tait moved in the absence of the chairman of the committee, that it be postponed until Monday evening next.

It was so ordered.

Mr. Moore, from the Committee on Improvements, introduced a bill to repair the footways and gutters on U street north, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets west. Passed.

The same committee reported favorably on the petition of John Heffernan and others, to grade the square and alley 274. Passed.

The same committee reported back the bill to pave the footways, &c., across Fourteenth street west—passed; also, reported back the bill to repair the alley in square 210 with a substitute—the substitute was accepted, and the bill passed; also, reported adversely the bill to close an alley in the First ward—lost; also, reported back the bill to pave the footways, &c., on Sixth street west, between H and I streets south—passed; also, the bill, or an act entitled "An act to revive an act passed June 8, 1865," reported a substitute for the same—substitute agreed to and the bill passed; also, the bill to set curbstones, &c., on the west side of Ninth street east, between B and Maryland avenue south, with a substitute—substitute accepted, and the bill passed; also, a bill for paving the footways &c., on Third street west, between M and I streets north, with a substitute for the same—passed; also, a bill, with a substitute, to set the curbstones, &c., on Eighth street east, between B south and Maryland avenue—the bill passed; also, a bill, with a substitute, to pave the footways, &c., on Eleventh street east, between Pennsylvania avenue and East Capitol street—passed; also, a bill to gravel Sixth street south, between Ninth and Tenth streets west—passed; also, a bill to set the curbstones, &c., on the north side of E street south, between Four-and-a-half and Eighth streets west—passed; also, a bill to grade and pave the alley in square 266, with a substitute—passed; also, adversely on a bill to repair the alley in square 209—lost; also, a bill to set the curbstones, &c., on New Jersey avenue, between New York avenue and N street north, with a substitute—passed; also, reports back communications in relation to the sewer on Tenth street, and asked that they be discharged from the further consideration of the subject—it was so ordered; also, a bill to repair the pavements on Fourth street east from N street south to Georgia avenue—passed; also, a bill to grade L street south from Ninth to Tenth streets east—passed; also, a bill to repair and regravel Fourth street east from L street south to the river—passed; also, a bill to set the curbstones on M street north between Third and Fourth—postponed; introduced a bill to grade and gravel Sixteenth street north from Massachusetts avenue to R street—passed.

Mr. Elvans introduced a bill to gravel and grade Boundary street, from Fourteenth street to Twentieth street west. Referred to the Committee on Improvements.

Mr. Elvans offered a joint resolution authorizing the collector of taxes to receive a certain claim of George W. Riggs in payment of taxes. The resolution was withdrawn, and a resolution of inquiry, calling upon the Mayor for information about the claim of George W. Riggs, was introduced and adopted.

Mr. Given offered a resolution calling upon the corporation attorney for information as to the power of the Board in relation to the wharf sites on the Potomac river. Withdrawn.

Mr. Moore, from the Committee on Wharves, reported a bill granting permission to J. H. Johnson and E. H. Johnson to erect a wharf below Twelfth and Thirteenth streets, on the Potomac, with a substitute, and a request that it be printed. It was so ordered.

Mr. Lloyd, from the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Jas. Rogers, reported favorably. Passed.

A number of bills from the Common Council were received and appropriately referred.

Adjourned.

Board of Common Council.

President Dulin in the chair, and all the members present except Messrs. N. B. Clark, T. C. Connolly, Crocker, Dalton, and G. W. Miller.

The Chair laid before the Board the following communications, all of which were referred:

The Mayor sent in his approval of the following acts: An act granting permission to Henry Moore to erect an iron railing; to construct a sewer on A street north from Second street east to Delaware avenue; for the relief of Patrick Quirk; authorizing the laying of a water-main in C street south, from Tenth to Twelfth street west; granting permission to William S. Walker to erect an iron railing; to lay certain water-mains in P, Q, and Fifteenth streets west; to grade and gravel Fifth street east, between Virginia avenue and G street south; to lay a water-main in O street north, from Ninth street west to Eleventh street west; to grade Q street north, between Eleventh and Thirteenth streets west; to set the curbstones and pave the footways and gutters on the south side of B street south, between Seventh and Eleventh streets east; to set the curbstones and pave the footways and gutters on the south side of Pennsylvania avenue, between Eleventh and Thirteenth streets east; to set the curbstones and pave the footways and gutters on the north side of I street north, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets west.

The Mayor returned without his approval the act entitled "An act to cause the pavements, carbstones, and gutters to be laid on First street east, square 726."

The Mayor says: "The bill in its body does not conform to its title, and provides besides for setting the curbstone and laying the gutters on the west side of square No. 726; that First street east be graded and paved, without limiting or defining what part of that street it is intended so to grade and pave, and I cannot suppose it is intended to grade and pave that street throughout its whole length from the city boundary to the river. The act approved June 10, 1867, entitled 'An act for the establishment of the office of superintendent and inspector of sewers, earthwork, flagways, footways, &c.,' provides that work of that character should be done under the supervision of the inspector of sewers, paved carriage ways, &c., and not under that of the city surveyor, as provided by the bill I return to you."

Also, a message from the Secretary of the Board of Trade, in reference to a meeting of committee in reference to the Loudoun and Hampshire railroad.

PETITIONS, &C.

Mr. Slowen presented the petition of Patrick Downey for the remission of a fine. Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, petition of Mrs. Woodhull and others, asking the construction of a sewer on G street, to connect with the sewers on Seventeenth and Nineteenth street sewers. Referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. O. S. Baker presented the petition of Chas. F. Barnes, about 20 feet in length, in relation to wharfage and harbor fees, making some thirty charges against the present harbor master. Referred to the Committee on Wharfage.

Mr. Pfau introduced a resolution extending the time for excavating for water-pipes, sewers, &c., to December 1; which, under a suspension of the rules, was referred.

Also, a bill making an appropriation of $30,000 out of the water fund to pay for water-pipe—to carry into effect the act of May 27, 1867. Referred to Drainage Committee.

Also, petition of James R. Young, G. W. Adams, and E. P. Brooks, asking the removal of the hack stand from Fourteenth street, above the avenue.

Mr. Nalley presented a petition, with bill, to open a public alley in square No. 419. Referred.

Mr. Arrison presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the corporation attorney be respectfully requested to transmit to this Board his opinion on the following question: whether, in view of the recent decision of the court, pronouncing the exaction of harbor fees unconstitutional, and therefore illegal, the corporation or the harbor master, which ever party has the money thus illegally collected, is not bound to return the same to the parties from whom it was wrongfully taken.

Mr. Arrison asked a suspension of the rules to immediately consider the resolution, which was agreed to—yeas, 13; nays, 4.

After some debate, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Arrison offered the following, which was accepted:

Whereas, at the railroad meeting at Leesburg, Va., on the 23d inst., held to consider the plan for constructing a branch of the Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire railroad to Washington and Georgetown, and a branch of said railroad from Leesburg to Aldie, Loudoun county, Va., a resolution was adopted that the citizens of Loudoun county, the corporation of Washington and Georgetown, the Board of Trade of Washington, the Merchants' Exchange of Georgetown, the corporation of Alexandria, and the Corn Exchange of Alexandria, be requested to appoint committees to confer with the board of directors of the Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire railroad upon the construction of said branches, and the opening of books for subscription to the capital stock of said railroad upon condition that the same be applied and expended upon said branches;

And whereas it is necessary to the growth and prosperity of the city of Washington that the facilities for communication with the surrounding country be extensively increased: Therefore—

Be it resolved, That five from this Board and three from the Board of Aldermen constitute a committee to confer with the directors of the Alexandria, Loudoun, and Hampshire railroad, upon the construction of these branch railroads.

Messrs. Dulin, Connolly, A. P. Clarke, Ball, and S. S. Baker were appointed.

Mr. Dulin introduced a bill for footways on south side of B street south, between Sixth and Seventh streets east.

The following were received from the Board of Aldermen: Council bill fixing the width of the sidewalks of Grant street. Referred to the Committee on Improvements. Bill (B. A.) for sewer in Eighteenth street, between G and H. Referred to the Committee on Drainage. Bill making an appropriation for the purchase of a furnace for the Washington Asylum. Referred to the Asylum Committee. Bill to repair bridge on Fifth street west, between Q and P streets north. Referred to the Committee on Improvements. Bill for water main in Maryland avenue, from Sixth to Seventh streets. Referred to the Committee on Drainage. Bill for sewer in Second street, between D and E streets north. Referred to the Committee on Drainage.

At 8:40, the Board adjourned.

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AT 20 PER CENT. LESS.
I have just opened my Fall Stock of French and English China Glassware, Cutlery, Plated Ware, Chandeliers and Lamps, which I will sell at 20 per cent. less than former prices. Housekeepers, and all others, are invited to call. No. 1 Coal Oil and Annealed Chimneys. HENRY BAYLEY & CO.,
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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

FINANCIAL.

Gold held yesterday at Saturday's rates. Government securities were firm with improving tendencies.

The stringency in the money market has abated somewhat, and there was more ease yesterday.

Flour improved yesterday, the quotations being 10a15 cents better than Saturday's ruling.

Provisions were heavy, and but little doing.

The following is a statement of the condition of the National Banks of the District, as furnished the Comptroller of the Currency, October, 1867:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$1,453,975 58
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation	1,242,000 00
U. S. Bonds and Sec'ts dep'd to secure Dep's	1,100,000 00
U. S. Bonds and securities on hand	849,950 00
Other Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages	104,022 61
Due from National Banks	447,026 08
Due from other Banks and Bankers	158,930 74
Banking House, other Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures	241,479 50
Current expenses	28,865 72
Premiums	27,497 21
Checks and other cash items	319,264 14
Bills of National Banks	117,987 00
Bills of other Banks	6 00
Specie	11,819 29
Fractional currency, legal tender notes	318,491 53
Compound-interest notes	681,040 00
	$6,546,775 22

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	$1,850,000 00
Surplus Fund	204,225 37
Undivided Profits	153,169 46
Circulating Notes outstanding:—National	1,053,492 00
Individual Deposits	1,855,206 84
U. S. Deposits	1,275,916 43
Deposits of U. S. Disbursing Officers	15,821 55
Due to National Banks	200,976 81
Due to other Banks and Bankers	87,940 66
	$6,546,772 22

NEW YORK FIRST BOARD SALES.

U. S. 6's, 1881, coupon, 112½; 5-20's, 1862, coupon, 112¼; 1864, coupon, 109½; 1865, coupon, 109½; 1865, coupon, new, 107½; 1867, coupon, 107½; 10-40's, coupon, 100½; 7-30's, second, 105½; 7-30's, third, 105½; gold, 143½.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Flour 10a15 cents better. Wheat quiet and firm. Corn 1 cent lower. Oats drooping. Pork heavy and lower; mess, $21 12½. Lard dull. Cotton quiet at 20½ for Middling Uplands. Freights firm. Spirits of turpentine dull. Rosin dull at $3.74 for strained.

BALTIMORE MARKET.

Flour.—Transactions in Flour continue limited, the only sale of importance reported this morning being one of 300 bbls. City Mills Standard Extra at $11 per bbl. There was some inquiry from shippers, and the market generally was firm in tone.

Grain.—Receipts were larger this morning than they have been for some time past; the offerings comprising some 22,000 bushels Wheat, 20,000 bushels Corn, 15,000 bushels Oats, and 500 bushels Rye. Wheat was active and firm, and prices show a further advance of 5 cents per bushel. Nearly all the lots offered were sold at $2.20a2 30 for inferior red, $2 45a2 60 for fair to good do., $2.70a2 75 for prime do., $2 80a2 85 for choice do., $2.45a2.50 for fair white, and $2.65a2 80 for good to prime do. Corn was also in good demand, nearly the whole 20,000 bushels offered being sold; white ranged from $1.35 to $1.40 for old, and $1.15a1.20 for new, and yellow brought $1 37a1.40. Rye sold from $1.55 to $1.65, and Oats ranged from 68 to 75 cents, the bulk of the receipts being sold at 72a73 cents.

Provisions.—The market is very dull and inactive, and quotations are only nominally maintained, as follows: Bacon, 14¼ cents for Shoulders; 17¼ cents for rib Sides, and 17¼ cents for clear ribs. There is nothing doing in Bulk Meats. Hams dull; selling in retail lots at 19a20 cents for city cured, and 23a25 cents for Western sugar-cured, canvassed. Mess Pork has declined, and has been very dull at $23.50a24 for Western. Lard dull. City 13¼a14 cents; Western 14a14¼ cents.

ALEXANDRIA, Oct. 29.—The market this morning was very quiet, the weather, to some extent, preventing out-door operations. Flour continues unchanged, though there is more firmness. Wheat is in fair demand, but the offerings continue very light, not exceeding 1,000 bushels, with sales of fair white at $2.62, and fair to good red at $2.58, $2.60 and $2.63. No offerings of white or yellow corn, and no sales reported. Sales of 1,400 bushels mixed at $1.35—an advance of 2a3c. on Saturday's prices. Oats steady, with sales at 63 and 67 cents, according to quality. Sales of rye at $1.40, but offerings very limited. Sales of 50 bushels country ground corn meal at $1.28. Butter scarce and wanted. Eggs scarce. Poultry in demand.

Marine News.

Sun R. 6.28 | Sun S. 4.38 | High Water, 7.53 p. m.

ARRIVED.

Schr. Tropic, Banks, Salisbury, Md., lumber to N. B. Fugitt and J. H. Ward.
Schr. Cornelius, Rollins, Havre-de-Grace, coal to Geo. Bogus.
Schr. Potomac, Eldridge, Havre-de-Grace, coal to Falconer & Bro.
Schr. Samuel B. Grice, Palmer, Eastern Shore, Md., lumber to Willett J. Redgrave.
Schr. Mary Priscilla, ——, Baltimore, coal to Washington and Georgetown Ice Company.
Schr. S. A. Douglas, Tinie, Accomac, oysters and potatoes to master.
Schr. Mary Augusta, Matthews, Accomac, potatoes to master.
Schr. Signet, Shields, Rappahannock, oysters to master.
Schrs. James Riley, Only Pin, Chas. Bramble Dolphin, and others from the river and bay, with oysters consigned to captain.

CLEARED.

Steamer Kennebec, Wilson, Baltimore.
Brig A. Bradshaw, Rogers, New York.
Schr. Francis Gibbs, Smith, Boston.
Schr. Elvina Maul, Millville, New Jersey.
Schr. R. K. Vaughn, Howell, Hudson.
Schr. Leman, Blew, Hudson.
Schr. Jas B. White, Robey, Bridgeport, Connecticut.
Schr. Marion E. Rockville, Rockhill, N. Y.

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