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ADOLESCENT ADMIRALS.

Scenes at the Annapolis Naval Academy—The Visiting Board.

Preliminary Arrangements for the Annual Graduating Exercises.

A Grand Parade of the Cadets—Reception of the Guests.

What the Board of Public Works Will Do—Jefferson's Monument.

Special Dispatch.

ANAPOLIS, June 1.—The formal preparations at the naval academy incident to the graduating exercises commenced to-day on the arrival and reception at that institution of the official board of visitors. These exercises terminate on the ninth of June, on which day some fifty-five cadets, representing the classes of cadet midshipmen and cadet engineers admitted to the academy in 1879 will receive diplomas certifying to the successful completion of a four years' course at the academy. Afterward they will serve two years at sea, and then will undergo a final examination in order to complete their six years' course. A person to award the diplomas will be selected by the board of visitors, and they will also appoint one to deliver the address to the graduates. One of their number is usually selected to perform the latter duty.

The board also maps out a programme of outside exercises to be observed by the cadets during examination week. They are also charged with a thorough examination into the course of study, discipline, and the general condition of the institution, and to recommend such measures as are likely to advance the standard of education pursued there. The last board of visitors, of which Commodore S. R. Franklin, U. S. N., was president, in its report recognized the course of instruction at the academy as most thoroughly and judiciously conducted. The present board may have occasion to make reference in its report to the secretary of the navy as to the late troubles among the cadets at the academy, growing out of the alleged excessive conduct of many, and the subsequent dismissal of three of the participants who had refused to apologize for their complicity in it.

A naval salute of seventeen guns from the United States frigate Santos announced the arrival of the board appointed to attend the annual examination. The board was officially received and presented to the officers, professors, and others of the academy at 10 o'clock, in the academy library, where the heads of departments and the academic board will also assemble. The academic board, composed of Capt. F. M. Kamsay, superintendent naval academy; Commander Farquhar, commander of cadets, and Commanders Robeson, Cook, Sigbee, Frois, Hendrickson and Rice, Chief Engineer, Farmer, Lieut. Comdr. Schouler and Craig, and Prof. Todd were first presented in the order of their procedure. Other officers were present at the reception were: Lieut. W. P. Burwell, assistant superintendent; Lieut. Comdr. C. M. Thomas, H. Elmer; Lieut. J. F. Meigs, D. Kennedy, C. A. Stone, J. G. Eaton, R. G. Peck; Passed Assistant Engineers I. S. Barton, G. B. Hanson, J. K. Orton, Assistant Engineers M. Parks, J. C. Rhodes, Chaplain A. McAllister, Lieut. A. H. Knox, Lieut. E. P. Wood, J. B. Murdoch, Asa Walker, C. S. Sperry, J. P. Merrill, H. W. Schaefer, W. Goodwin, W. P. Potter, H. N. Green, H. N. Murray, Prof. N. M. Terry, C. E. Munroe, W. W. Fay, and others.

The marine guard, under Capt. McLean Tilton, which had been stationed in front of the library, presented arms as the visitors, accompanied by the academic board, passed out to the campus where the battalion of cadets had assembled for review. They were in charge of Lieut. J. B. Briggs, and consisted of three divisions, commanded respectively by Cadets J. M. Parks, J. C. Rhodes, and B. E. Thurston. Cadet F. L. Chaplin is the cadet lieutenant commander. The review finished, the battalion was dismissed, and the board, accompanied by the heads of departments and instructors, visited the departments of seamanship, ordnance and gunnery, navigation, steam engineering, and physics and chemistry to familiarize themselves with the workings of each preparatory to a more thorough examination later.

All of the board members except Senator Johnson N. Camden, Representative Alfred C. Harner, Rev. John W. Dinmore, of Illinois, and Hon. Anson G. McCook, of New York. The other members are Rear Admiral John C. Howell, U. S. N.; Gen. Edwin McDowell, U. S. A.; Senator E. G. Lapham, Representative Thomas Updgraff, Roger Q. Mills, Samuel A. Green, of Boston, Mass.; George Inman Riche, Philadelphia, Pa., and E. V. Kinsley, West Point, N. Y. The board held its first session this afternoon and appointed committees. Rear Admiral Howell, U. S. N., is president of the board, with Lieut. R. G. Beck, of the naval academy, secretary.

This afternoon at 5:30 o'clock the board witnessed the grand parade of the battalion of cadets. To-morrow they will accompany the cadets on their cruise in the bay, and to-morrow night will attend the hop given by the officers as a compliment to the visitors. The practical exercises next week will include boat drills, competitive drills for a flag, &c. The practice vessels are getting in trim for the summer cruise.

The board of public works of Maryland, composed of the governor, comptroller, and state treasurer, met to-day and received proposals amounting to \$2,480,152 for the purchase of the new defense loan and for the exchange of the old loan, of which \$1,185,152 were for the former and \$1,295,000 for the latter. The board, in view of the fact that bidders are allowed the whole of to-day in which to bid, decided to continue and act definitely upon the bids at their meeting next Monday.

John Guthrie, appointed naval cadet by President Arthur, has been admitted into the naval academy.

The Maryland branch of the Jefferson National Monument association was formed in the senate chamber to-night, with Gov. William T. Hamilton as president. The next branch meeting will be held in Richmond, Va., the third in Faneuil hall, Boston, and the fourth branch will be formed in Independence hall, Philadelphia. Judge Bartley, of Washington, presided.

An Awful Accident.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1.—While a large wooden cask weighing 372 pounds was being hoisted to the upper floor of a paper warehouse on Commerce street this afternoon the rope broke and it fell upon two of the men engaged in the work. Joseph McCullough was almost instantly killed and Edward Kelly sustained injuries which will probably prove fatal. An examination of the rope used in raising the cask showed that it was rotten and almost unfit for use. The coroner will hold an investigation to-morrow.

A Mill Blown to Atoms.

EAST SAUGUNAW, MICH., June 1.—The shingle mill of G. V. Turner & Sons, eight miles below this city, was blown to atoms at 8:30 o'clock this morning by the explosion of a boiler. Will G. V. Turner, engineer; Hiram Gooding, boiler, and John McDowell, night watchman, were killed; J. L. Turner and Ross Flew were seriously injured, and Orlando Seiders and Peter Nelson fatally. The cause

of the explosion is not known. The damage is \$3,000.

John Fitzgerald, John Walton, and John Nansland, log drivers, employed by the Muskegon Boom company, were drowned in the Muskegon river at Hensley yesterday. The bodies had not been recovered at last advice.

NEWS FROM NORFOLK.

Death of an Old and Estimable Lady on Her Way to Washington—The Navy Yard Investigation—A Big Cocking Main.

NORFOLK, Va., May 31.—Col. Peyton, Hon. Mr. Hopkins, M. C., of Pittsburg, Pa., and Maj. J. L. Robinson, of New York, are visiting this section, and spent last night at "the Hollys," the future Long Branch of Virginia. Gen. Roger A. Pryor, of New York, arrived here yesterday. He leaves to-day for the home of his venerable father, Rev. Dr. Pryor, in Notaway county.

Gen. Newton, of the army, is here visiting his brother, Hon. C. Newton, of this city. Mrs. Fannie B. Meade, an aged and most estimable lady of Virginia, died aboard the steamer Excelsior on her trip from this city to Washington, Tuesday night last. The remains were put off at Piney Point, Md., and brought back to this city. Subsequently a telegram was received by one of her sons, and the remains were sent to Washington last night on the steamer Leary. They will likely be carried to Clarke county, Virginia, for interment in the old family burying ground. Mrs. Meade had been visiting her daughter in Berkeley, near this place, and the remains were sent to Washington, where she was an inmate of the Louise home. Mrs. Meade was the widow of the late Phillip Meade, esq., son of Bishop Meade, of the Protestant Episcopal church.

The board to investigate the charges brought by ex-Captain Desnozier of maladministration at the Norfolk navy yard are in session here. This particular board consists of Capt. L. A. Beardslee, of the receiving ship Franklin; Dr. E. S. Bogart, and Chief Engineer Thos. Williamson, of the yard here, and their special duty is to examine the affairs of the department of yards and docks at this yard. Civil Engineer P. C. Asserson has already been examined. Mr. Desnozier will likely be called before the board. An extensive cocking main will commence here next Tuesday, continuing three days, between New York and Washington, D. C. Sporting men have begun to arrive. The fights will be for \$100 each and \$1,000 for an odd battle.

STOPPED BREATHING.

Three Men Choked to Death With Hemp for Committing Murder.

MACON, GA., June 1.—John Bailey, aged 23 years, and Henry Wimbley, aged 20, negroes, were executed at one o'clock to-day, the presence of a crowd estimated at 5,000, bally witnessed Parish Tappan, an old negro, last July, during a dispute over one dollar. He escaped, but was captured in September. Wimbley killed Morgan Washington, a negro, last June. Both men were working on a railway shoveling dirt. Wimbley quarreled with Washington, and hot words passed. Wimbley told Washington to say "sheep" and he would shear him. Washington said "sheep" and Wimbley jumped behind him and cut him so that he died soon after. Wimbley was tried in November, and found guilty. Both cases went to the supreme court and new trials were refused. Both men were defended by able counsel, who stood by them until the last. The condemned man, John Bailey, was killed while in prison, and spent most of their time in praying. This morning they arose in good spirits and appeared ready to die. The morning was spent in devotional exercises. The men ascended the scaffold with firm step, and calmly confessed their crimes, and made only short statements at the gallows. The drop fell at 1 o'clock, and they were pronounced dead in thirteen minutes. The majority of the crowd present were negroes.

Tewksbury Again.

BOSTON, June 1.—Ex-Gov. Rice testified in the Tewksbury hearing to-day that he visited the almshouse twice during his term of office and made a thorough examination of its condition. He found everything satisfactory. He suggested to Marsh the impropriety of so many members of his family being employed at the institution, and shortly after two of them were retired. He had paid a visit on account of rumors of mismanagement, but had no recollection that any definite charge had been brought to his attention. Gov. Butler then read a long communication to ex-Gov. Rice in 1876 from the state board of charities setting forth all these charges and asking him to interpose. Ex-Gov. Rice did not remember that he had appointed Mr. Sanborn inspector of the almshouse. Gov. Butler read a letter from Sanborn declining to take such appointment if certain members were retained on the board. Ex-Gov. Rice then said that doubtless this record was correct.

Racing at Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 1.—First race—Five-eighths mile, for two-year-olds, Rosary first, Richard L. second, and Wizard third. Time, 1:04.

Second race—The Magnolia stakes, three-quarter heats, Fatinita first, Saunterer second. Time, 1:15, 1:15, 1:19, 1:19.

Third race—Fall City handicap, one mile, 500 yards, Hightower, first; Wedding Day, second; Ballard, third. Time, 2:12.

Fourth race—The Richards memorial stake for three-year-olds, one and one-quarter miles, Elford, first; Pearl Thorn, second; Love-Jesse, third. Time, 2:12.

Fifth race—One and one-sixteenth miles, for three-year-old fillies, Rene B. first; Brovado, second; Bellella, third. Time, 1:51.

Brighton Beach Races.

NEW YORK, June 1.—First race at Brighton Beach to-day, three-quarter mile, Little Minch, 1; London, 2; Gift, 3. Time, 1:16.

The French Bombarding.

TAMATAO, June 1.—The French have bombarded two ports on the northwest coast of Madagascar, causing great destruction to British and other merchandise. The French man of war Fortuit and the British war steamer Dryad have left this harbor. The Malagasy authorities are pressing forward their military preparations.

The Chess Tournament.

LONDON, June 1.—In the chess tournament to-day Rosenthal, English, and Tschigrin defeated Mortimer, Selmann, and Steinitz, respectively.

In the tournament this evening Zukertort beat Mason and Nos beat Mackenzie.

Hand 8 in a Wagon.

HARTFORD, June 1.—Maud 8, at Chester Oak park, to-day made her first trial to wagon that she ever made. Her first mile was in 2:23, second mile in 2:15, and last half mile in 1:06.

ALL THEIR THROATS CUT.

Awful Act of an Insane Mother Near Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

She Kills Her Three Little Children and Ends Her Own Life.

Special Dispatch.

CARLISLE, Pa., June 1.—Intelligence has just reached here of the brutal murder of three young children by their lunatic mother, and her own suicide, at a place called Brush-ton, near this city. The scene of the horrible tragedy is a poor, poverty stricken hamlet at the foot of the mountains, made up of miners and furnace men. It had been noticed of late that Mrs. Douglas, the unfortunate woman who committed the deed, was suffering from aberration of the mind, and her mother who lived near by, kept a pretty strict watch over her. Last night the mother left her unfortunate daughter to go to her own house, the three children, whose names range from six months to five years, having previously been put to bed. When the aged grandmother returned to her daughter's house this morning she found the doors locked and the windows tightly closed. Feeling instinctively that something was wrong, she called assistance, and then made her way into the house from the rear. Enter Mrs. Douglas' room she was horrified to find her daughter lying dead in a pool of blood with her throat torn by a razor lying by her side. On the bed lay the three little children with their throats cut from ear to ear, and the whole bed covered with their young blood. The old lady fainted at the sight, and had to be carried out. Mrs. Douglas' husband, who had gone to Pine Grove on business, only heard of his wife's terrible crime when he arrived on the scene, and the poor man's grief was heartrending. He went around like a wild man and is utterly broken down. It is believed that the maniac mother committed the deed before retiring for the night, as her clothing was all on her this morning. The tragedy has thrown a deep pall over the little community.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

A Hint to the Pennsylvania Senate from a Railway Magnate.

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 1.—In the senate to-day a petition was read from Mr. Franklin B. Gowen, in which he counseled against the adoption of the resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate the legal relations of the Standard Oil company to the state. He stated that the legal relations of the oil company to the state, so far as the question of payment of taxes is concerned, have been finally adjudicated upon by the supreme court, and that under the resolution proposed no notice whatever could be taken of the charges made by him (Mr. Gowen) against the Standard Oil company. He suggested, however, that a committee be appointed and specifically empowered to inquire into the charges made by him that officers of the Standard Oil company had bribed an officer of the state to suppress testimony collected for the state, and also into the charges of unjust and unfair discrimination by the Pennsylvania Railway company in favor of the Standard Oil company and against other shippers competing with the said oil company. The resolution relative to the proposed appointment of a committee to investigate the legal relations of the Standard Oil company to the state, was then taken up. Senator Gordon spoke for the resolution as reported, and insisted that it covered the whole ground. After further discussion the resolution as reported was agreed to and sent to the house for conference.

Preventing a Duel in Richmond.

RICHMOND, Va., June 1.—At a late hour last night warrants were sworn out for the arrest of Mr. Charles Potts, a clerk at the Richmond and Danville railway office, and Mr. Lewis D. Minnigerode, son of Rev. Charles Minnigerode, rector of St. Paul's church, Richmond, on the charge of being about to engage in a duel.

Some weeks ago several thousand dollars mysteriously disappeared from the safe in one of the chambers of the city. The money was shortly afterward recovered by Detective John Wren. Soon after this occurred Mr. Potts questioned the honesty of Mr. Minnigerode. This brought on a suit against Mr. Minnigerode by Mr. Potts in the city circuit court of Richmond by Mr. Minnigerode against Mr. Potts for \$5,000 damages. The case was set for trial on the twenty-seventh of May, but for some cause it was postponed every day thereafter until yesterday when it was dismissed. Mr. Potts was before the police court this morning. The officers were unable to find Mr. Minnigerode, so the case was continued. The affair has created no little excitement in this city, and has been much talked about in the newspapers. The impression is that a hostile correspondence has taken place, and probably a meeting was arranged for this morning.

Plunged a Knife into Him.

PETERSBURG, Va., June 1.—A shocking and probably fatal stabbing affray occurred here to-night. Henry McCoa reproached Daniel Yates, a colored man, for not doing some work which he had promised to do for McCoa's mother, when Yates plunged a knife into McCoa's body, inflicting probably fatal wounds. McCoa's cries brought his mother to the rescue. The colored man fled and has not yet been captured.

Not Guilty, of Course.

NEW ORLEANS, June 1.—In the election-fraud case to-day many witnesses testified that they had been registered in the commission books kept by the commissioners and clerks. Other witnesses gave testimony as to the irregularities in the matter of conduct of the election by defendants. After argument the case was submitted to the jury, who in an hour returned a verdict of not guilty.

Baltimore Walking Match.

BALTIMORE, June 1.—The score at midnight was as follows: Hughes, 506 miles 3 laps; Norem, 467 miles 6 laps; Panchot, 450 miles; Hart, 376 miles 8 laps.

A Voice from a Bottle.

The signal corps station at Manassas, N. J., reports that a floating bottle was picked up off Spring Lake, N. J., May 30, containing the following: "If this should ever reach shore and be found, please tell my, Elizabeth M. Brower, of Point Pleasant, N. J., that my vessel is sinking and we will all be lost. Give my love to her and tell the boys to take care of her." Dated 1877. The last vessel was the schooner Ida Birdall, of Tom's River, N. J.

The Educational Convention.

The third annual meeting of the National Council of Education will be held at Saratoga, N. Y., in connection with the National Educational association, and will commence on Thursday, July 5, continuing by adjourned sessions, through Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, avoiding interference with the session of the National Educational association. The twenty-second annual meeting of the National Educational

association will be held at Saratoga, N. Y., at the Methodist church. The several departments will hold their meetings in Congress hotel concert hall, which hotel will be the headquarters of the association. Gen. John Estlin of this city, will preside, and among the prominent participants will be Prof. Felix Adler, of New York.

LYNCHBURG AFFAIRS.

Funeral of the Victims of the Fire—Marriages, Decisions, and Other Matters.

Special Dispatch.

LYNCHBURG, June 1.—The month of May went off yesterday with all of our city clad in mourning and also our people bowed down in grief. Never before has been witnessed here a day of such solemn service and universal sorrow. The last of the five dead bodies was not exhumed until 1 o'clock in the day from the ruins, having been buried deeper than the rest of his comrades. His body was hardly recognizable, and he held fast to his head, and up to the neck, which he bravely battled with the de-vouring elements of the fire before. The entire funeral was at the expense and under the direction of the city, and came off from the opera house at 1:40 o'clock in the evening before an immense assemblage of grief-stricken people. The funeral oration was delivered by Maj. John W. Daniel, and was eloquent and extremely impressive and touching. The religious services were performed jointly by the ministers of all the denominations with the greatest solemnity. The procession was the largest and most imposing ever witnessed here, and passed up Main to Fifth, up Fifth to Court, down Court to Twelfth, up Twelfth to Grace, and up Grace to the cemetery, where four of the dead were buried in one square purchased by the city for the purpose. The other victim, Capt. Moore, was buried at Spring Hill, beside his wife, in his own family square. The members of the city council, the judges and public officials headed the procession, clad in proper habiliments of respect. All the military companies, both white and colored, followed with thousands of citizens bringing up the mournful cortège. At the place of burial the military companies were ordered to be draped in crape for thirty days. This terminated the saddest and most imposing ceremony that was ever witnessed in our city or bowed down any community in grief. There never need be occasion for such another to occur.

The loss by the fire will exceed insurance at least \$150,000, but new buildings will soon begin to fill up again the burnt district, and arrangements to our city. Mr. C. M. Patton, of the Virginia newspaper establishment, gives notice of his intention to once supply the place of his lost presses and material, which were very valuable, and soon to begin business again.

In a notice of the fearful calamity which befell our city on Wednesday the committee of reception for the Institute of Mining Engineers that are to visit us on the fifth instant have been compelled to withhold a public banquet and ball on the occasion, and have so notified by telegraph the president, Dr. T. M. Brown, of Easton, Pa. Every other attention and courtesy will be showed the distinguished guests, and their visit will be made pleasant and interesting.

Subscription books were promptly opened yesterday in various portions of the city for contributions for the relief of the wives and children of the five men who fell victims to the fire, and a laudable amount of money doubtless will be soon raised for so benevolent and generous a purpose. The cry of the widow and orphan can never be neglected by the generous even under the greatest calamity.

The number of marriages in this city for May was six white couples and nine colored, showing that the latter race outnumber the former by one-third in entering the responsible bonds of the married state, for the reason no doubt that conjugal bliss costs them less in money and other responsibilities to keep up with the prevailing fashions of the time. This is so all over the south; and it is a subject presented for the serious study of the superior and dominant race everywhere.

The decision a few days ago of Chief Justice Waite, of the supreme court, in the case involving the present proprietorship of the famous White Sulphur Springs property was adverse to Judge Jackson, of West Virginia, and puts the use of that valuable watering place in the hands of Mr. Phobus, of Old Point, instead of the former lessee, Col. Peyton, and the springs are to be open to-day. This will be gratifying news to the many thousands of health and pleasure seekers in all parts of the country who annually visit the pleasant and fashionable mountain resort.

The thirtieth was duly observed here as memorial day by the usual closing of all the public offices.

James E. Grant, who shot and killed Henry River, of the Southern Opinion newspaper, in Richmond, some years ago, the circumstances of which are well remembered by the public, died in Fluvanna county a few days ago.

Judge Bond's recent decision in the Baltimore and Ohio coupon bond case has almost entirely defeated the funding business in the state under the Riddlerberger coupon killer.

A CORNER STONE LAID.

The Good People of Winchester Begin a School House With Grand Ceremony.

WINCHESTER, Va., June 1.—The laying of the corner stone of the new public school building, which is being erected by the corner of Cork and Market streets, took place here yesterday. A great number of strangers were present, and the ceremonies and procession interesting and imposing. The citizens took great interest in the matter, and the merchants proved their interest by a general closing up of their places of business for several hours in order to give their employes an opportunity to take part in the procession. Col. L. T. Moore acted as chief marshal, assisted by Messrs. Atkinson, Baker, Bryarley, and Van Fossen, as aids. The procession formed in front of the market square. The Winchester Light Infantry, Capt. Milton commanding, headed by the Friendship band, led the procession; then followed carriages, bearing the city dignitaries and distinguished gentlemen who were to participate in the ceremonies; then the Union band, the Relief Hook and Ladder Fire company, the Sarah Jane company, the Friendship company, the Sarah Jane band, the Knights Templar, and the Masonic lodge, and finally the grand marshal, which then moved down Water street to Main, up Main to Leicester, to Broadway, to Peyton, stopping at the old school building to receive the pupils, who there joined the procession in a body, and then moved down Main to Cork, to the site of the new building where the procession halted and opened ranks to permit the pupils, about 450 in number, to pass through and take their stand on the platform. The laying of the stone was conducted with the customary ceremonies of the Masons, under whose auspices the matter was conducted. Gen. James H. Williams, of this place, was the orator of the occasion. Last night the citizens were treated to the novel sight of a Masonic torchlight procession, which passed off very finely. The business houses were gayly decorated with flags and bunting and the people seem much pleased with the whole affair.

Murdered by His Stepson.

PETERSBURG, Va., June 1.—At a late hour last night Glenroy Henson, colored, keeper of the city hay scales, who lives in the suburbs of the city, was murdered by his stepson, John Henson, a lunatic, who killed his victim by striking him on the head with a fence paling, in which there were several nails. The victim penetrated the skull, causing almost instantaneous death. The murderer has been arrested and lodged in jail.

The Weather To-day.

The middle Atlantic states fair weather, variable winds, mostly southerly, stationary or lower temperature, lower pressure.

On Sunday local rains are indicated in the Ohio valley, Lake region, Gulf states, and Tennessee.

Yesterday's temperature: 7 a. m., 62°; 11 a. m., 71°; 3 p. m., 75°; 7 p. m., 71°; 11 p. m., 61°; maximum, 79°; minimum, 54°. No rain.

ONLY A FEELER.

Sent Out by Interested Parties to See What the Public Would Want.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore American sent the following to his paper last evening:

"Time was when Chester A. Arthur had a little circle of intimate friends. That time has gone by. He now has a great many more friends than he ever had before, but none of them are intimates. These are facts well known to almost every one in public life in Washington as well as to those of his own official and private household. It is therefore very natural that he should have been chosen through the land an anonymous document in the form of a letter purporting to come from 'an intimate friend of the president,' setting forth the executive eagerness for the end of his term, and declaring his intention of never again being a candidate. The fact that this letter was first published as far from Washington as New Haven, Conn., is perhaps some excuse for the credulity of the editor of the Palladium, to whom it was sent, if, indeed, he really believed it was a true bill. When this now celebrated letter first started on its travels two or three well known Washingtonians put their heads together, took into consideration the political tendencies of the Palladium, and certain other little things, and thought they could guess who it was that pretended to be so close to his excellency. Late as it may seem to be, opportunity has just offered for further investigation into the matter, and it may now be stated, on the authority of one who pretends to be much closer to the writer of the above mentioned letter than the writer ever was to the President, that the letter was a sort of a 'feeler' sent abroad by an interested party with a purpose. This would be in former calls attention to the fact that the gentleman who controls the paper to which the letter was sent, is an official of the government who came as near to being a cabinet officer as any other man here has ever got there. The only 'if' in the way of the Palladium becoming a cabinet organ was the fact that its man failed of the nomination for the presidency. Naturally, therefore, those who feel that the letter was a 'feeler' sent abroad by an interested party with a purpose, and that the man who was to have been, and hence, argues the informer, it is not hard to suppose that it has done him a kindness in publishing for him, though possibly through one of his agents, a statement that tended to fix the blame on the country as to whether President Arthur's 'regrets' are acceptable to the people or whether he is wanted to run again."

Sudden Death of an Estimable Lady.

The many friends of Mrs. Anna Louisa Patterson, a widely known and respected lady of Washington, will be pained to learn of her sudden death by apoplexy on Thursday afternoon. Returning home from Uniontown on Tuesday evening, at 6 o'clock, in apparently good health, she left the street car at the corner of East Capitol and Eighth streets, to walk to her residence at the house of her son-in-law, Mr. C. M. Patton, No. 210 D street, Northwest, but before reaching the curbstone she fell speechless and apparently unconscious to the ground. She was carried home, but died Thursday without ever rallying sufficiently to recognize her surroundings. The funeral will take place to-day from her late residence, from which the body will be conveyed to St. Peter's church, on the corner of Second and C streets southeast, at 1:30 p. m.

St. Theresa's Church.

Archbishop Gibbons has named the Rev. Thomas B. Hughes, pastor of St. Theresa's church, Anacostia, D. C., in succession to Rev. S. F. Ryan, who was recently promoted to the pastorate of the Church of the Immaculate Conception in this city.

Father Hughes was born in Annapolis, Md., and was ordained priest in Baltimore in December, 1850. Since his ordination he has served as assistant priest at St. Peter's church in this city. He is well known in his parish, it having been up to this time a part of St. Peter's congregation.

Kaspar's Musical.

Prof. Kaspar's musical at Ford's Opera house last night attracted a house full to overflowing. The different numbers were delightfully rendered, especially the last selections from Mendelssohn and Verdi. The latter duet from Mozart was finely sung by Miss Eva Mills and Mme. Kaspar. Miss Annie Lillebridge gave a soprano solo which showed off to advantage her strong, pure, sympathetic voice and her fine vocalization. The violin duet by Miss Higgins and Mr. Frank Patterson was well received. The entire programme was most satisfactorily rendered.

Representative Typos.

William Briggs, John J. Higgins, and E. H. Thomas, of Columbia Typographical union, No. 101, of the district, left for Cincinnati early this morning. They will represent the Columbia union in the International Typographical union, which meets there on Monday.

Patents for Quartz Claim.

The general land office has granted patents to Wm. H. Henry et al. for the Sterling Price, South Virginia, and Johnnie Bull Quartz claims in the San Simon mining district of New Mexico. Mr. Henry is an attaché of the New York Herald.

The Shakespeare Club.

The next meeting of the Shakespeare club will be held at the residence of Maj. Hopkins, 1105 K street northwest, June 2. The reading will be miscellaneous. As it is the last meeting of the season, a full attendance is desired.

Local Items.

Juvenemann's garden was crowded on Wednesday with the friends of the ice wagon drivers. It was the occasion of their sixteenth annual picnic.

The men mentioned as being participants in the reported duel at Marshall Hall Wednesday when seen yesterday denied all knowledge of the affair.

The Columbia Co-operative Building association held its regular meeting last night when the books were closed. Large amounts of stock were transferred, and money sold at 80¢.

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THE ECLIPSE ECLIPSED.

Louisville's Ball Bangers Handsomely Besien by the National Nine.

An Interesting Game Witnessed by a Large Audience.

Results of Games Played in Various Places Yesterday—General Sporting News.

The Columbia Boat Club Will Entertain Its Friends June 7.

The National boys were so proud last night as a flock of peacocks with four tails each. Joe Gerhardt came on here a couple of days ago with his Eclipse nine from Louisville. He came for a picnic, and the dark and bloody Kentuckians smiled significantly as they looked forward to the way they would make their contestants hunt leather and strike out. They found out before the game was over that they had some hunting to do themselves. There was a pretty good crowd at the grounds, and the visitors led off in the first innings with three runs. This looked bad for the home nine, but they managed to make two runs, and things assumed a better appearance. In the next two innings both nines were blanked, but the Eclipse scored two more tallies in the fourth and the Nationals two in the fifth. In the sixth the visitors captured two and the home boys one. The visitors got another in the seventh, and in their half of the same inning the Nationals got mad. A run was made by Wise and then Joy and White secured bases. When Barr came to the bat he landed a hot one into the left field, bringing in Joy and White, and coming in himself on a passed ball. The Nationals now led by one run, and the crowd was overjoyed. Boys and men shouted and yelled and there was a regular circus. In the eighth inning both nines were blanked. In the ninth the Eclipse made a run, tying the score. The Nationals came in determined to win. White was on second base when Barr again took up the willow. He rapped the sphere out into the right and brought White home. This won the game, and the crowd fell out of the park overjoyed at the result.

The Playing of Robinson, Maskrey, Joy, Barr, Gerhardt, Baker, Gould, and Wise was especially good. Following is the score:

At Louisville.