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THE ITALIAN MURDERER.

Placed on Trial to Answer for the Bloody Crime Committed.

Antonio Nardello, the young and powerful looking Italian, was placed at the bar of the criminal court yesterday to stand trial on the charge of murdering a fellow-countryman named Carmine Rotunno, on the 17th of last October, by cutting his throat with a razor, after having invigled the victim to a vacant house east of the reservoir on the ground adjoining Howard University. District Attorney Worthington appeared for the government, and Col. George E. Corkhill and Thomas M. Field for the accused. The work of selecting a jury was entered upon, and when the regular panel had become exhausted the following remained in the box: Veniard, having been finally accepted: Edward Durlin, Edward L. Robinson, Charles Arundell, James W. Colly, Walter McKee, Robert W. Waters, Charles S. English, Henry A. Allen, John Turner, and I. G. Combs. The court ordered fifty names to be drawn from the box, and adjourned the trial until this morning.

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THE COURT RECORD.

Court in General Term—Chief Justice Carter and Justice James.—Dun vs. Must; decree signed remanding cause. United States ex rel. Leutzardo Arganica de la Rua vs. Secretary Bayard; opinion by Justice James dismissing petition for mandamus. Adjourned for one week.

Circuit Court—Justice Cox.—Moses & Son vs. Taylor; juror withdrawn and leave given to amend. Benedict vs. Heilbrun; judgment confessed. Assignment for to-day—Nos. 35, 473, 475, 477, 654½, 395, 411, 417, 419, 421, 423, 427, 429, 431, 461.

Circuit Court—Justice Merrick.—Caldwell vs. Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Company; verdict for defendant. Rives vs. Rocker; judgment confessed for $157, with interest from June 9, 1881. Soper vs. Baum; verdict for defendant. Crenshaw vs. District of Columbia; on trial. Assignment for to-day—Nos. 56, 246, 210, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 471, 496, 488, 478, 490, 504, 518, 524, 562.

Equity Court—Justice Hagner.—Logan vs. Linthicum; pro confesso set aside. Mason vs. Cox; order appointing J. F. Cox guardian ad litem. Thomas vs. Thomas; testimony ordered taken before Edwin Forrest. Greer vs. Johnson; restraining order discharged. Reed vs. Wilson; auditor's report ratified. Thompson vs. Hyatt; auditor's reported ratified. Adjourned sine die.

Criminal Court—Justice MacArthur.—Louis Sommerfield, murder (two cases); arraigned and pleaded not guilty. The first indictment s found against the same party last week were nolle prossed. Antonio Nardello, murder of Carmine Rotunno; on trial. Charles Hamilton, convicted of manslaughter; motion for new trial filed. No assignment.

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The House special committee on ordnance will meet in the room of the appropriations committee to-morrow to prepare a report based on their investigation of the steel-producing resources of the country. The committee has visited all the iron and steel manufactories in the country during the recess of Congress to ascertain what facilities there are in this country that may be manipulated for the construction of steel ordnance, and they have collected much valuable information. The committee is of the opinion that they will be able to lay such a mass of reliable statistics before Congress that appropriations will be made for the establishment and maintenance of a plant for the production of heavy rifled cannon of any required caliber.

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A Consul's Contribution to Science.

In Prof. Spencer F. Baird's forthcoming report to Congress, covering the transactions of the Smithsonian Institution, occurs the following reference to one of the most interesting contributions received during the past year, "Mr. Thomas Wilson, late consul at Nice France, has been busy during the greater part of his official term as consul, first at Nantes and then at Nice, France, in explorations into the remains of prehistoric man, and has presented a very large collection, the unpacking of which only awaits his return to this country. It is believed that this collection, filling a large number of boxes, will prove to be one of the richest and most complete of its kind ever sent to the United States."

Escaping Through a Small Hole.

In the case of Elias C. Caldwell, executor o the estate of Josiah F. Caldwell, against the Baltimore aid Potomac Railroad Company, the jury in the circuit court (second division) yesterday, under the instructions of the court, returned a verdict for the defendant. The suit, like a number of others, was brought to recover damages done to property on Maryland avenue southwest. It seems that at the time the suit was instituted Mr. Caldwell was not executor of the estate, and therefore without authority to prosecute.

Work for the Minister.

The following marriage licenses have been issued: Lewis O. Carroll and Mary F. Edelin, L. F. Meinkheim and Rose J. Malatesta, Geo. W. Weeks and Ida E. Payne, Thomas Slade and Maggie Parker, both of Baltimore, Md.; Jonathan Waters and Georgianna Washington, James E. Pyles, of this city, and Annie E. Studer, of Fairfax county, Va.; Isaac Milton and Laura Carey, Miscal H. Smith and Lucinda Brown, both of Hillsdale, D. C.

J. Ledyard Hodge Sued.

Suit has been brought by District Attorney Worthington in the name of the United States against J. Ledyard Hodge to recover $441,209.75, with interest from May, 1875. This is the amount which it is claimed that the defendant, as a disbursing officer of the United States, failed to account for.

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THE WORM IN THE BUD.

Half a Million People Die Annually in England Before Their Time—One-Fourth of Consumption—Cod Liver Oil.

[From the Philadelphia Record.]

A very useful series of little works is now being published by Messrs. Appleton & Co., of New York, entitled "Health Primers." They are full of facts, which, although not generally known or studied, have a direct bearing on the good of every community, and their suggestions ought to be carefully heeded. The last writer treats of premature deaths, and gives a number of startling facts in connection with the subject. Although his figures are gained from mortality reports in England and Wales they would undoubtedly correspond with the ratio of deaths in certain sections of this country, and we can, therefore, safely discuss them with that understanding. The population of the two countries mentioned is 29,000,000, and of that number 500,000 every year die prematurely; 108,000 die in infancy; 184,000, including those who die in infancy, die by the time their fifth year closes, while the deaths of the remaining 256,000 are distributed very equally between childhood and old age.

The chief cause of these premature deaths is diseases of the lungs, all of these being grouped under the common name of consumption. More than one-fourth of the whole number of premature deaths are due to this disease. From youth to manhood—15 to 25 years—consumption is the foremost cause of death. In early manhood—25 to 35 years—it still maintains the front rank, and in middle age—35 to 55 years—it is also a predominate cause. Damp soil, defective drainage, want of active bodily exercise, poor ventilation and sedentary occupations—all these are factors to be considered in discussing the cause of consumption. But the chief thing to be considered is: What is the cure? On this there are, of course, a variety of opinions. One common remedy is cod-liver oil. That it ever effected a cure is doubtful. It will make the patient fatter, but simply abnormally. It strengthens no muscles, it builds up no waste, it cannot check decay, and the apparent flesh which its use bestows is as deceptive as the hectic flush on the cheek of the consumptive, which is so often mistaken for the hue of health. What is really needed in consumption is something that while stimulating will repair the constant drain on the tissues and put all of the physical organs in such harmonious condition, that they will be able to resist successfully all attacks, however insidious, that may be made against any of them. The advance of medical science recognizes this fact, and many of the most eminent physicians base their treatment of consumption upon this theory. It has often been said that when a sick person craves for any particular article of food or drink it would be given, the demand for it showing that nature is asserting herself. How often do we find people who are either in incipient or advanced stages of consumption express a longing for spirituous liquors and seek for the benefit which they derive from them. Physicians have not been slow to notice this, and the result is that alcohol in some form or other enters largely into their method of treatment, and, even with the difficulty experienced in getting pure liquor, some benefit results. If, however, a pure whiskey could be found, it is a self-evident proposition that the benefits to be derived would increase. A distillation of the finest malt, and the extraction from the product of that deleterious substance fusel oil, would give to humanity something the healing and strengthening power of which cannot be exaggerated. That there is such a whiskey manufactured in this country may not be generally known, but thousands of invalids have been cured by its use, and Prof. Mott, one of the most distinguished chemists and scientists in America, who analyzed it, declares its purity and its life-giving properties. We refer to the Duffy pure malt whiskey, the sale of which is spreading all over the country. It has successfully stood the most exhaustive tests, and testimony as to its efficacy are flowing in spontaneously from all quarters, its merits have been treated of in medical journals, and learned reasons assigned for its peculiar power. It is safe to say that its use will cause the gaunt specter of consumption, which haunts so many homes, to disappear, and put in its place the angel of life and of health.

THE NEW PILOT CHART.

Soothing Effect of Oil to Diminish the Violence of Breaking Seas.

The pilot chart for December, issued by the United States hydrographic office, contains important information in regard to the various meteorological changes and conditions to be expected on the North Atlantic, and the positions of floating wrecks that have been reported from time to time. The most notable wreck is that of the schooner Twenty-One Friends, first sighted in March, 1885, near Cape Hatteras, and, having been carried along by the gulf stream, was last seen near the coast of Europe. In the same vicinity is the Bertha, pursuing the same general course. The value of the Cape Horn route to Japan for vessels leaving the coast of the United States during the months of August, September, October, and November is again suggested.

The accounts of the use of oil to diminish the violence of breaking seas embrace eleven statements forwarded by the secretary of the marine board of South Australia, each being a brief narrative of the experience of its writer. The following by W. G. Whetmore, a pilot of Fort Adelaide, is a fair example: * * * The first time I saw the soothing effect of oil on the sea was in the year 1848, when serving my time in a whaling ship in Davis's straits. I have there seen the ship lying-to in a gale of wind cutting in a whale alongside, and the sea for a circle of many miles was quite smooth, caused by the oil from the whale. My next experience was in 1863. When off Sydney Head I encountered a terrific gale, followed by a tremendous sea, my ship making a great deal of water, and found it necessary to run for a port of shelter. After getting the ship before the wind the heavy sea that was running sometimes broke over the stern, to the danger of the ship and crew. I then tried oil, but my manner of using it in the first place was wasteful and of no effect, as I tried it with a bottle and jerked it out through a hole in the cork; but I found it blew about the stern of the ship and not in the sea. I then tried the oil bag, putting about one-half gallon in the bag, tying the neck tight and towing it astern of the ship. After a short time the effect was wonderful, for what was a very heavy running and dangerous sea was reduced by use of the oil into what a seaman would call blind rollers, quite harmless to a ship; in fact, the effect was so marked that it appeared by looking astern that the vessel was passing through a lane of smooth water. I reported the good effect to my owners and others, but it was not listened to, on the score of expense.

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Postal Revenues for the Year.

A. D. Hazen, third assistant postmaster general, in his annual report just submitted to the Postmaster General, states that the total postal revenue during the year was $42,560,843, while the expenditures, actual and estimated, including compensation to Pacific railroads for mail carriage, were $50,942,415, leaving the excess of estimated total cost of service over gross receipts $8,381,571. He says that during October 140,820 special delivery letters were handled, giving a gross income of $14,082, while the net revenue was $2,828. He speaks encouragingly of the system, but says that it will probably be of no practical value in cities with a population of less than 20,000.

Receipts of the Patent Office.

Mr. Montgomery, commissioner of patents, in his annual report shows, that the receipts of the patent office during the fiscal year recently ended were $1,074,974, while the receipts for the previous year were $1,145,433. On July 1, 1884, there were 9,786 applications in arrears; on July 1, 1885 there were only 5,786 applications awaiting action. The commissioner recommends that the salary of principal examiners be raised to $2,500, and he asks for more office room. In the year covered by the report the surplus was $160,851. He proposes to raise the annual subscription price of the Official Gazette from $5 to $10.

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An Old Washingtonian Dead.

Mr. Jonathan T. Walker, a resident of Prince George county, Md., and formerly a lumber dealer of this city, died at his home at Pleasant Prospect on Saturday. Mr. Walker was 75 years of age, and came here in the early years of the present century, settling about nine miles from the capital. Mr. Walker leaves eight children as follows: James T. Walker, Elizabeth J. Lester, Charles H. Walker, John N. Walker, Samuel H. Walker, George Newton Walker, Alice A. Townshend, and Edward Spedden Walker, with over thirty grandchildren and a great grandchild.

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To-morrow (Wednesday) afternoon, at 4:30, Duncanson Bros. will sell at public auction the valuable property No. 918 F street northwest. This is one of the finest properties on F street, adjoining B. F. Warner's real estate building.

THE MARKETS.

Stocks Dull and Comparatively Featureless—Wheat Active and Higher.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—The new week opened with a dull and comparatively featureless stock market. The movements this forenoon were decidedly irregular with a weak tone at the opening, while the afternoon was decided dull but firm until near the close. The fluctuations were all within a range of 1½ per cent., and with a few exceptions within less than 1 per cent., and it was, therefore, natural that the highest as well as the lowest quotations of the day should show unusual irregularity. The total sales were only 314,200 shares, an increase of 14,000 shares over Saturday's business. There were sales of 32,000 Lake Shore and 32,900 St. Paul, but with these exceptions the total sales in no case amounted to as much as 22,000 shares, the limited business being very well distributed.

In the last fifteen minutes there was a yielding in values, the declines ranging from ¼ to 1 per cent., and the market closed barely steady, at prices which in most cases are ⅛@¼ per cent. lower than the final figures of Saturday.

The stock exchange will close to-morrow at 1:30 p. m., out of respect to the memory of Vice President Hendricks.

Most of the loans on call were at 2½@3 per cent., but late in the day it spurted to 4 per cent., the last loan being at 3 per cent. Exchange on London continues dull and quotations unchanged. Actual business, $483 for 60-day bills and $485 for demand; nominal rates, $483½ for 60-day bills and $486 for demand. Government bonds have been dull and steady. State bonds have been fairly active and prices irregular.

Treasury balances—Coin, $172,461,871; currency, $12,191,022.

Quotations of Monday's Stock Sales.

The following have been furnished by Bateman & Co., bankers, 1411 F street, being the most active stocks in the New York exchange:

	Op'g.	Hig h.	Low.	Cl'sg.	Sale
New York Central	104⅞	105	104⅞	104⅞	.....
Lake Shore	86½	87⅝	85⅞	86¾	32700
Canada Southern	43	....	....	....	.....
Chicago & N. W.	112⅞	114	112⅞	113¾	9300
C., M. and O.	42	42	41½	41½	1000
C., M. and O. pref.	101	....	....	105	.....
C., M. and St. P.	95⅛	95⅝	94⅛	94⅞	32900
C., B. and Q.	134⅝	....	....	134	.....
Pacific Mail	67	67⅛	66⅞	67⅛	3500
Western Union	77⅛	77⅝	76⅝	76⅞	31600
Missouri Pacific	105½	105½	101⅞	101⅞	.....
Texas Pacific	23⅛	24⅛	23⅛	23⅞	.....
Delaware & Hudson	97⅝	97⅝	97	97⅝	600
Central Pacific	....	45⅝	42½	42⅝	.....
Erie	25	25⅝	25	25	.....
L. and N.	48½	48½	48	48⅛	.....
Union Pacific	58⅞	59⅛	58⅛	58⅛	11500
Jersey Central	46	47	45⅝	45	5800
W., St. L. and P.	12⅞	12⅞	12⅛	12⅛	.....
W., St. L. and P. pref.	....	....	....	29	.....
D., L. and W.	120¼	121⅛	120¼	120⅞	24000
Phila. and Reading	23	23⅛	23	23	.....
Northern Pacific	30	31	30	30⅝	20300
N. P. pref.	63⅝	64⅛	63⅝	63½	.....
Illinois Central	138	....	....	137½	.....
Oregon Trans.	35⅛	35⅛	35⅛	35⅛	.....
Canada Pacific	57	57½	57	57½	.....
Rock Island	....	....	....	127	.....

Grain and Provisions.

Following is the range of prices in the Chicago market, as corrected by reports received by Wm. F. Hellen, Corcoran building:

Opening—	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Pork.	Lard
December	83½	....	....	8 85	6 05
January	83¾	37½	28⅝	9 55	6 15
May	90	39⅝	31⅛	10 55	....
Highest—Dec.	....	38⅝	29⅝	9 62½	6 10
January	....	38⅝	31⅛	10 57½	6 20
May	....	39⅝	31⅞	10 57½	....
Lowest—Dec.	83½	36⅝	28⅝	8 85	6 05
January	83¾	37½	28⅝	9 55	6 15
May	89	39⅝	31⅛	10 55	....
Closing—Dec.	83	36⅝	28⅝	8 90	6 10
January	83½	38⅛	28⅝	10 00	6 17½
May	89⅝	39⅝	31⅛	10 57½	....

The Washington Stock Exchange.

The following list of the most active stocks dealt in on the Washington Stock Exchange is furnished by Messrs. Bell & Co., bankers, No. 1437 Pennsylvania avenue:

Nov. 30, 1885.	Bid.	Asked.
Permanent imp. 6s, 1891, coin	115	116
Fifty-year funded 3.65s, 1924, cur'cy	110⅝	117⅝
Washington and Georgetown bonds	118	....
Metropolitan Railroad stock 50	100⅞	113
North Capitol and O street 50	46	....
Washington Gas Light Co. 20	40⅛	40½
Georgetown Gas Light Co. 25	42⅝	....
Columbia Insurance 10	12½	15
Riggs Insurance 5	4⅝	6⅝
Washington Market Co. stock 50	19	....
Wash'n Brick Machine stock 100	110½	....
Real Estate Title Ins. Co. 100	101	105
Pennsylvania Telephone Co. 50	47½	49½
Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co. 100	62½	66

Baltimore Produce Market, Nov. 30.

COTTON steady and quiet; middling, 9⅞.

FLOUR easy and quiet: Howard street and western super, $2.85@3.25; do. extra, $3.50@4.00; do. family, $4.25@5.00; city mills super, $3.00@3.40; do. extra, $3.90@4.15; do. Rio brands, $4.87½@5.00; Patapsco family, $5.25; superlative patent, $6.00.

WHEAT—Southern lower; western steady; southern red, 90@91c; do. amber, 96@99c; No. 1 Maryland, 92½c bid; No. 2 western winter red, spot, 87c bid, firsts, December, 87½@88c; January, 90½@91c; February, 92⅞@93⅞c.

CORN—Southern easier; western firmer; southern white, 48@52c; do. yellow, 45@48c; western mixed, spot, 49@49½c; year, 47½@47¾c; January, 46½@46¾c; February, 46@46½c; steamer, 47c bid, fresh.

OATS strong; southern 35@38c; western white, 37@38c; do. mixed, 35@36c; Pennsylvania, 36@38c.

RYE firm, 72@75c.

HAY firmer—prime to choice western, $13.00@15.50.

PROVISIONS steady and quiet. Mess pork, $10.25. Bulk meats—shoulders and clear rib sides, packed, 4¾@4¾c. Bacon—shoulders, 5¼c; clear rib sides, 7c; hams, 11@11½c. Lard—refined, 7½c. Butter steady; western packed, 11@15c; creamery, 26@27c. Eggs steady, 24@25c; limed, 17@19c. Petroleum quiet and nominally steady—refined, 7½@8c.

COFFEE quiet; Rio cargoes, ordinary to fair, 7½@8¼c.

SUGAR steady; A soft 6⅝c; copper refined firm at 10⅛@10½c.

WHISKY steady, $1.19@1.20.

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 30.—Virginia 6s, consolidated, 55; past due coupons, 60; new 10-40s, 38½; new 5s, 60¼ bid to-day.

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 30.—The beef cattle market opened fairly active and a shade higher, but closed dull, and general average of prices unchanged. Best beeves, 4¼@4½c; first quality, 4¼@4⅛c; medium, 3½@4c; ordinary, 2@3c. Most of the sales were from 3½ to 5c. Receipts, 1,931; sales, 1,450. Swine—Fair supply and fair to good demand. Receipts, 6,181; quotations, 4¾@5¼c. The receipts of sheep and lambs were 2,281; quotations—sheep, 2@4c; lambs, 2½@4c.

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