MEXICAN TOWNS ALARMED

Ancient Volcano of Orizaba Again in Eruption.

CLOUDS OF SMOKE AND GASES

It Is Feared That Ashes May Begin to Fall on the Extensive Coffee Plantations About and in Cordoba—One Hundred Apertures Belching Flame—Commission of Scientists Will Investigate.

Cordoba, State of Vera Cruz, Mex., March 10.—The peak of Orizaba, the ancient volcano, is in a state of eruption.

The signs of disturbance began to manifest themselves Sunday night and have increased in force constantly since that time.

It is now vomiting poisonous gases, and thick volumes of smoke are emitted from 100 apertures in its great maw.

The earth for 100 miles around has shaken periodically with subterranean vibrations.

A great alarm exists among the dwellers in the cities of Cordoba, Orizaba, Kalaba, and the dozens of small villages scattered within the scope of the strange and interesting phenomenon.

The shocks as yet have not been of a disastrous nature and no damage from them has been reported.

VEGETATION AFIRE.

The rim of the crater glows like fire and the thick gases rolling down the mountain sides have set aflame the grasses and vegetation clothing the sides of the summit, which adds to the density of the smoke and the grandeur of the spectacle.

For the public safety the Governor of the State of Vera Cruz will shortly name a commission of scientists to make all the investigation into the eruption possible, and to make recommendations looking to the protection of the inhabitants of the neighboring villages.

The present eruption is in the heart of the best improved coffee district in Mexico, where there are many Americans who have embarked in the profitable business.

The coffee plantations are not as yet thought to be in any danger of damage, nor will they be unless the fall of thick ashes occurs, which is considered probable. Masses are being said in all the churches of the locality to ward off the impending danger.

A REGION OF VOLCANOES.

Coming soon after the late destructive volcanic activities in many parts of the republic, the eruption of Orizba has many terrors, not only to the people of its vicinity, but to all the living in the volcanic belt, stretching from the active volcano of Colima on the west coast, an unusual eruption, clear to the Gulf of Mexico on the east.

Within this belt are numbered dozens of old craters, either in repose or smoking constantly. It is natural to suppose that should its eruptions continue the other volcanoes will be affected and a general earthquake period set in.

The consequences of such a catastrophe are hard to foretell, but could hardly be anything less than very disastrous to Puebla, Mexico City, and the hundreds of other towns in the heart of Mexico.

SENT HER OBSCENE LETTERS.

George Hawkins, a Colored Youth, Violates the Postal Laws.

For some time George Hawkins, a fifteen-year-old colored boy, has figured as the "steady company" of Lizzie Burgess, a comely, brown-skinned maiden, who is rated as one of the colored belles of Northeast Washington. Last week the course of their true love was interrupted, it is said, by some cause, and their friendship came to an end.

Unfortunately in this case, at least for George, he had learned to write a "finest hand," while attending the public schools, and the bad use he made of this talent may land him in a secure structure, where he will not hear the birds sing or feel the gentle patter of the rain for some time to come.

He conceived the idea of writing a series of obscene letters to Lizzie and sent several of the missives through the mails. This was a violation of one of Uncle Sam's most stringent postal laws. The letters were handed to the Ninth precinct police. Their pages were filled with the most disgusting obscenity.

Yesterday Policeman Boshall arrested Hawkins and locked him up at No. 9 station, and to-day he will have to face the law on a most serious charge.

FLAMES BURST FROM A SEWER.

Excitement Caused in the Eastern Section by an Unusual Occurrence.

"The sewer at North Capitol and K streets is on fire."

This was the rather extraordinary and startling statement telephoned to Station Keeper Garner, of the Sixth precinct, by Policeman Mulvey about 8 o'clock last evening.

An investigation showed that a fierce volume of fire was pouring from the mouth of the sewer, and the unusual sight soon caused a great crowd to collect about the corner. The gas office was notified, and several men were dispatched to the place. By the time they arrived, however, the gas was exhausted, and the fire out.

The flames poured from the opening with great energy for quite a half hour, and the wonder is that there was not a serious underground explosion. It is supposed that a collection of sewer gas, mingled with escaping illuminating gas from a nearby gas pipe, caught fire from a cigar stump or match thrown into the sewer opening.

Refused John R. McLean's Request.

Mr. John R. McLean, president of the Washington Gaslight Company, was yesterday refused by Judge Hagner the injunction he asked for against John B. Larner, to prevent Mr. Larner from transferring the property known as "Elizabeth's Delight," 102 acres, in Prince George's county, Md., near Takoma Park.

ALEXANDRIA HAPPENINGS.

Shortly after midnight yesterday, as Messrs. Wilmer Griffin, Edward Ewing, and Edward Walker were coming up Queen street, at the corner of Fairfax, they were set upon by three drunken negroes from the Driving Park. During the fight which followed, one of the negroes named Charleston, drew a knife and cut Mr. Griffin in the arm and twice in the face, none of the cuts being serious, however. One of the negroes, named Charles Rogers, has been arrested and locked up, and warrants are out for the others and their arrest is looked for this morning.

The Schoolfield revival services began in the Methodist Episcopal Church yesterday morning at the 11 o'clock service. Large congregations attended all the services, and fifteen minutes before the service began it was hard to find a vacant seat.

The body of Mrs. Mary Price, widow of the late Benjamin F. Price, of this city, who died at the home of her daughter in Richmond on Saturday last, was brought home yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Price went to Richmond about two months ago to nurse her son, Clifton H. Price, who was seriously ill of typhoid fever. While nursing him she was prostrated, and after an illness of six weeks, died.

The new rate of 60 cents for the round trip between this city and Mount Vernon on the electric railway goes into effect to-day.

THE HALF NOT TOLD.

Many People Saved from Lives of Torture.

"If I were at liberty to give you for publication the names of one half of the people who are constantly being cured of troublesome diseases in this office you could hardly find space for them in your paper," said Dr. Walker, of 1411 Pennsylvania avenue, to a reporter. "A very large number of people, as you know, for one reason or another, object to being interviewed for publication, and, of course, I must respect their wishes. Under no circumstances would I violate the confidence of a patient; consequently, no publicity is given to any case without the patient's approval. I can assure you, however, that many of Washington's best people are among those who are pleased to attribute their recovery from various diseases (some of which had been pronounced incurable) to the treatment received here.

One of Dr. Walker's patients, Robert T. Buell, an employe of the War Department, testified on October 1 that he had been under treatment sixteen days and was greatly benefited. Mr. Buell now announces that his recovery is complete. "I was a member of the Seventh Michigan Cavalry during the war," said he, "and was wounded in the leg on the Rappahannock in 1863. My nervous system never recovered from the shock. I suffered terribly from various ailments, and at times was unfitted for work of any kind. Other doctors failed to benefit me, but Dr. Walker has cured me. I am now in the best of health."

Dr. Walker has made an enviable reputation for the rapidity with which he cures all disorders of the brain and nervous system, diseases of the skin and blood, catarrh, asthma, consumption, malaria, rheumatism, neuralgia, dyspepsia, hemorrhoids, diseases of women, loss of vitality, sexual weakness, and all affections of the lungs, throat, heart, liver, stomach, kidneys, bladder, bowels, and other organs.

Young or middle-aged men suffering from the effects of their own follies, vices, or excesses, or men contemplating marriage who are conscious of any impediment or disqualification, or those who feel their youthful vigor and power declining, should consult Dr. Walker, who has been the means of restoring hundreds of such unfortunates to health, strength, and happiness.

Dr. Walker may be consulted free of charge, personally or by letter. His well-known sanitarium, at 1411 Pennsylvania avenue, adjoining Willard's Hotel, is open daily for consultation and treatment. Office hours, 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.; Wednesday and Saturday evenings, 7 to 8; Sundays, 10 to 12.

Charges for treatment very low.

All interviews and correspondence sacredly confidential. No cases made public without consent of patient.

PASTORAL CHANGES.

Transfer and Appointments Expected to Be Made by Cardinal Gibbons.

It is learned that Cardinal Gibbons contemplates making several important changes and removals among the priests of the archdiocese, to take effect at an early day.

The first of these which has been definitely settled is the appointment of Rev. John M. Jones, late chaplain of Providence Hospital, as pastor of St. Charles' Church, Pikesville, Md. With the cardinal's sanction Father Jones vacated his position at the hospital—of which he was the first resident chaplain—about nine months since, and went abroad on an extended tour, which has now ended by his recall to Baltimore. He is one of the best-known priests in the archdiocese, having labored at Hagerstown, Long Green, Baltimore, and Washington successfully.

At Pikesville he will succeed Rev. Francis P. Mackall, who goes to Europe to enter a German university. Father Jones is expected to sail from Naples for New York this week, and has promised his friend, Rev. Valentine Smith, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, in this city, to be with him in time to celebrate high mass on Easter Sunday.

The successor of Rev. Peter McCoy, the lately deceased pastor of St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church in Baltimore, will be selected this month, and speculations are rife as to whether a clergyman of Baltimore or Washington will be chosen for the vacancy. Although Cardinal Gibbons keeps his own counsel in this matter, there are reasons to believe that the names of Rev. John B. Hagan, of Locust Point, Baltimore, and Rev. Michael P. Sullivan, of St. Peter's parish, this city, are being considered; and that one of them will be the appointee.

Father Sullivan ranks among Washington's most popular clergy, having lived here continuously for the past thirteen years. He is a native of Brooklyn, N. Y., and about thirty-seven years old.

During the illness of Rev. John Delany, pastor of the Holy Name Church, Eleventh and I streets northeast, Rev. Michael Byrnes, S. J., of Gonzaga College, has been assigned by the Jesuit Provincial Father Pardow to fill his place, the cardinal, of course, consenting. Father Byrnes officiated there yesterday.

THEIR WORKS GO BEFORE THEM

Good Showing Made by the Annual Report of the Central Union Mission.

The annual report of the board of directors of the Central Union Mission, which will be published Wednesday next, will be a most interesting paper. In addition to the financial feature the report will show in detail the actual work of the committee in the distribution of charities. The report will cover the period from December, 1894, to March 15, 1895.

Mr. E. D. Bailey, chairman of the directors, was busy yesterday compiling the report, and hopes to have it ready by Wednesday. The total amount received from the central relief committee up to date is $3,600, very nearly all of which has been dispersed in charities. Probably the most interesting items in the report are the number of applications for relief, and the number relieved.

The report will show that more than 11,000 applications were received and relief granted. It is estimated this number, besides individuals, represents over 4,000 families. Besides the above, a large number of families were assisted in various other ways.

At the Associated Charities, Secretary Emory is also rushing matters so as to complete his annual report, if possible, by the 20th instant. Everything is working smoothly and is up to date, except one bill amounting to $97.50 for the hire of the men employed from Anacostia and Benning to shovel snow. This amount, however, will be settled when presented to the distributing committee.

Good Templar Masqueraders.

About thirty members and friends of Columbia Lodge, No. 24, I. O. G. T., met at the home of Mr. E. H. Jones, corner of Ninth and R streets northwest, on Monday evening and proceeded to the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Mart, of Des Moines street, Brightwood, by way of the Brightwood electric cars. The party was attired in masquerade costumes, some of which were gems of the costumer's art, while others were unique exhibitions of originality. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Martin, Miss Grace McChesney, Miss Maud Martin, Miss Mamie Evans, Miss Ida Mitchell, Miss Rose Evans, Miss Ella Mitchell, Miss Florence Martin, Miss Hattie Evans, Miss Mary F. Colbath, Miss Annie Davis, Miss Edna Mitchell, Miss Edna Hough, Miss Nellie Davis, Miss A. May Martin, Miss Elsie Mitchell, Miss Lottie Calhoun, Miss Lollie Scrivener, Miss Flora Muirhead, Miss Estelle Sutton, and Messrs. C. F. W. Bergmann, R. W. Calhoun, Howard Crocker, A. W. Davis, John Hansen, John T. Hough, E. H. Jones, W. G. Mell, jr., John H. Muirhead, and Jesse C. Suter.

CHAPPIES WERE CAUGHT

They Insulted Two Young Ladies Who Were Walking Along Quietly.

One of the Fellows Ran Away, But the Other Was Landed Safely in a Police Station Cell.

Many people were walking on East Capitol street last evening. Among the throng were two very handsome girls, who would attract attention anywhere for their beauty.

Two young men were also walking on the street, a few feet behind the ladies and going in the same direction.

The ladies were conducting themselves in a becoming manner, and took no notice whatever of the men.

When they reached the corner of Sixth street northeast one of the men grasped the smaller girl's hand and made an attempt to kiss her. The young lady resented the insult, and as soon as she could free herself ran to her home to inform her parents.

Complaint was at once made to Policeman Hebrew who was on duty in that section, and he at once started in pursuit of the offenders. He soon overtook them and placed them under arrest, but one of them broke from his grasp and succeeded in getting away.

The other was taken to the Ninth precinct station, where he gave his name as Frank Cornell, and his residence as 141 North Carolina avenue southeast.

Cornell is about twenty years of age and is said to have recently graduated from one of the larger colleges. He is a rather tall man, and when incarcerated in the cell at the station was dressed in the height of fashion.

The amount of collateral required for his appearance in court was fixed at $20, and a note was sent to his home by him asking that the amount be sent at once, but up to a late hour no reply had been received.

The man who was with Cornell has not yet been arrested, but the officers hope to capture him in time to bring him into court to-day.

LIVELY SUNDAY RAID.

Third Precinct Policemen Swoop Down on Ben Franklin's Alleged "Speak-easy."

Lieut. Boyle, of the Third police precinct, has suspected for some time that Benjamin Franklin, colored, was keeping a "speak easy" at his residence, No. 2408 H street northwest. Yesterday forenoon he received definite information on the subject, and Policemen Hanley, Parham, O'Donohue, and Goucher made a quick descent on Franklin's place.

The bluecoats worked so quickly and effectively that they entered the house in time to find Franklin's whisper shop going at full blast and apparently doing a rushing Sunday trade. The officers say there were five or six men in a rear room drinking various kinds of intoxicants when they rushed in.

A search of the premises revealed several demijohns of liquor, big bottles of festive gin, glasses and other paraphernalia for a well-regulated "speak easy." They also say Franklin conducts the business on Sundays while his wife is in charge during the week days. The case will come up for a hearing in Judge Kimball's court to-day.

HIS BAND CAME BACK.

Sousa Entertains a Washington Audience with a High Class Programme.

Sousa's Peerless Concert Band entertained a large audience at the Grand Opera House last evening with one of its choice programmes, the music being of a high order and embracing five new numbers.

Among these was one of Sousa's own productions, entitled "The Band Came Back."

While every number obtained an encore, and elicited other evidences of high appreciation, those specially noteworthy were the soprano solo, "Enchantress Vaise," new (by Arditi), as rendered by Miss Marie Barnard; the violin solo, "Faust Fantasie," (Sarasate), by Miss Carrie Duke, who is, by the way, a daughter of Gen. Basil Duke, late of the C. S. A., and the Grand Concerto (op. II, Weber), in which Mr. John P. Lawrence artistically performed the piano part and the orchestra did the rest.

Sousa's Washington friends gave him an enthusiastic greeting, and voted that his skill as a leader loses naught by the lapse of time.

Christian Endeavorers' Entertainment.

One of the most enjoyable entertainments ever given by the Christian Endeavorers of the District was the one held in the lecture-room of Dr. Sunderland's Church Friday evening.

The room was beautifully illuminated by banquet lamps, while on the platform cut flowers and palms in profusion lent additional beauty to the scene.

The large audience present listened to the following well-rendered programme: Solo, Miss Minke; recitation, Miss Mary Conner; violin solo, Miss Faith Tyler, and a recitation by Miss Brockett. After this refreshments were served and the following toasts responded to: "The weather," Miss Smith; "The Sunday-school," Mr. Fenning; "The church paper," Mr. Knight; "Our girls," Mr. Bennett; "Our men," Miss Mullican; "Our society," Mr. Spaulding, with Mr. Kiper as toast master.

The success of the affair was chiefly due to the efforts of the Misses Haney, Craigen, Charles, Lackett, and Wilbur, assisted by other members of the social committee.

Mrs. Thompson-Berry's Musicale.

Mrs. Kitty Thompson-Berry, one of Washington's most popular and most accomplished vocalists, will give a concert at Metzerott Hall on the evening of Tuesday, the 19th instant. She will have the assistance of Miss Lottie Mills, Mr. Henry Rakeman, Mr. Henry Xander, the Tuxedo Quartet, and the Philharmonic Quartet, an unusual array of musical talent.

Mrs. Berry has at all times given her services to any entertainment given for artistic or charitable purposes, and in fact, her co-operation has never been solicited in vain. It is to be supposed, therefore, that this circumstance alone will conduce to give the pleasant little singer a crowded house, even without taking into consideration the composition of a programme of rare excellence.

Thomas Stole the News.

Detectives Boardman and Rhodes yesterday arrested Perry Thomas, a fourteen-year-old colored newsboy, charged with stealing a large number of copies of the New York World from Charles Hunter, the newsdealer at the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad depot. There were several other boys implicated with Thomas in the theft, but they have not yet been captured.

Assaulted His Better Half.

James M. Page and his wife, Mary, an aged couple living out near the jail, will appear in the police court to-day. The husband, who is seventy-four years of age, was arrested by Policeman Gordon, of the Fifth precinct, charged with assaulting his better half, as the result of a family quarrel.

THREE MORE CASES OF

Inherited Consumption Cured by Dr. Shade's Chloridum Treatment.

Don't fail to read an account of three cases of inherited consumption who were cured by Dr. Shade's Chloridum Discovery, which will appear in Sunday's TIMES. One of the cases is the daughter of the late Major Willis Drummond, who at one time was Commissioner of the Government Land Office.

Dr. Shade's office hours, 9 to 10 a. m.; 1 to 7 p. m. Consultation free. 1232 14th st.

"There are literally two classes of people who won't buy COLUMBIA'S this year—those who have'nt $100—and those who don't intend to ride."

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CONVICT AND THEN PARDON.

Rev. Dr. Lee's Idea as to What Should Be Done With Green.

"I think that the policeman who killed Reuben Foster ought to be arrested, indicted, convicted of manslaughter, sentenced to the penitentiary, and pardoned before he gets there."

These were the thrilling words used by Rev. Dr. George W. Lee, pastor of Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, in closing his sermon last night.

An immense audience, every seat in the vast building being taken, while many stood in the aisles, faced Dr. Lee when he rose to preach a discourse from the passage of Scripture, "Thou shalt not kill." It was understood that the preacher intended to refer to the killing of Reuben Foster, and many white persons of both sexes were among the large gathering.

When Dr. Lee said that in his opinion Officer Green should be tried, convicted, and sentenced, there were visible signs of approval on the part of many in the congregation, but when he continued and said that Green ought to be pardoned because his character up to the time of the shooting was good, there were loud manifestations of disapproval.

In thrilling language Dr. Lee rehearsed the scenes attending the shooting, and then, among other things, said:

"Had the policeman shot Reuben Foster in some of his lower limbs and the man even subsequently bled to death I would be willing to forgive him, but for the man in an angry moment to take a life which he could not give is more than I can overlook.

"I cannot comprehend what sort of men they were who composed that jury. They certainly never read the Bible or they would not have brought themselves to declare in the face of the evidence that the shooting was accidental.

"The officer took the pistol knowing it was loaded for a nemergency and fired and killed the man. He had said he would stop Foster from running and he made his words good, for he stopped him forever."

Dr. Lee then analyzed the evidence before the jury at much length.

"Some of the witnesses," said he, "occupied most of their time in telling what a bad man Foster was, and others what a good man Green was. I have no doubt that Green was a good man until he fired that fatal shot. So was Adam good until he committed the first sin.

"If Green did not know that his pistol would kill at the distance Foster was from him, he is unfit to be on the force. As well make little children guardians of the law. I do not believe that he killed Foster because Foster was a colored man. I think that, angered at the prospect of losing his prisoner, he in a moment of forgetfulness of the command of God, 'Thou shalt not kill,' and in disregard of the excellent police regulation on the subject, carelessly and wantonly fired the weapon.

"I do not call Green's offense a murder, because it was not premeditated. I think that the crime was committed hastily and that ten minutes later he would not have done it for the world, but I predict that if through the technicalities of the law Green is permitted to escape punishment, the judgment of God will follow his descendants to the fourth generation.

"Reuben Foster may not have been worth the trouble he has already caused Officer Green, but whenever a man stains his garments with human blood his character is stained and his conscience will make him suffer the pains of hell.

"I think a legal investigation of the case is demanded. Why, here in Washington if your horse kicks you on the street and you hit him or if you carry a chicken with its head down you will be arrested, and yet it is proposed by some to let the killing of Reuben Foster pass by without notice by the constituted authorities.

Dr. Lee announced that Hon. John M. Langston will address the Equal Rights League in the church to-morrow night on the killing of Reuben Foster, and that a public meeting relative to the same subject will take place there on Wednesday night, when a number of prominent speakers will be present.

IT WAS WILLFUL MURDER.

Rev. Mr. Lamkins Has No Other Name for the Shooting of Foster.

At Salem Baptist Church Rev. S. Gerlah Lamkins, the pastor, preached last night on "The murder of Foster by Policeman Green." The church was crowded to the doors.

Rev. Mr. Lamkins' text was taken from Genesis ix:6, "He that sheddeth man's blood by man shall his blood be shed." In applying this text to the case in point Rev. Lamkins said:

"This edict or decree was handed down from the court of heaven more than 4,000 years ago. Man has abused it, but he has been powerless to change it.

"We are taught," he said, "to look to the officers of the law for protection and justice, but instead of that, as was the case last Monday, without any reasonable cause whatever, these officers deal out to us death, sudden death.

"To all fair-minded people, who have given the matter a moment's thought, there is but one conclusion to be arrived at, that the killing of Foster by Policeman Green was unjustifiable, and without provocation, and this, in the eyes of the law, both of God and man, is willful murder. Murder is the taking of life with malice aforethought, and is punishable with death.

"There is no doubt as to the killing of Foster, there were eye witnesses to the deed. He was an American citizen and as such was entitled to the protection of the law to its fullest extent. That there was malice aforethought the circumstances surrounding the killing clearly prove, but will an officer of the law be allowed to prostitute his authority for the furtherance of his own private ends, or to satisfy his own personal spite and prejudice? We hope not."

TEACH THEM A LESSON.

Policemen Must Be Made to Respect the Lives of Citizens.

At the conclusion of the morning services at Israel M. E. Church yesterday the pastor, Rev. S. B. Wallace, asked the indulgence of the congregation in order that he might say a few words in condemnation of the horrible murder committed in Anacostia a few days ago.

After relating the circumstances under which the shooting of Reuben Foster was done, he said:

"I condemn the killing of Foster at Anacostia by Policeman Green as a foul murder. I feel safe in the District; when I meet a policeman on the street I feel that I am in a measure protected, but when a police officer whips out his revolver and shoots down a man for the sin of attempting to escape from a doubtful arrest, I feel that a just public sentiment will condemn the act, and the government authorities should mete out a just punishment to the offender.

"I have confidence in the District attorney to do his full duty in the premises, and that the police of the District will be taught the lesson that human life is not to be ruthlessly taken without even the shadow of provocation."

NEW CABLE CARS RUNNING.

Two Successful Trial Trips Made on the Columbia Line.

Every corner from the Treasury Department to Boundary along the line of the Columbia Street Railway was thronged with people to see the second trial trip of the new cable cars last night. The brilliant headlight lit up the streets darkened by the eclipse of the moon, and gave good notice of the car's approach.

As the first trip was made about 4 a. m. yesterday morning the trip of last night gave the public its first opportunity to see the new cars.

The car started from the power house at 10:15 last night, and arrived at the Treasury Department in about twenty-six minutes. There a stop was made for a quarter of an hour.

The Broadway grip, which is at the ends of the car instead of in the center, worked admirably. There is no perceptible jerk when the car starts, and it runs very smoothly and the car can be quickly stopped.

A much-inebriated individual along the route gave a wild yell. What his thoughts were no one knew, but he was evidently struck with the sight of that cable car.

Everything worked smoothly on both trial trips, and the line is in readiness to begin operations. The first regular trip will begin at 2 p. m. to-day.

The cars are all equipped with the Broadway or Robinson style of fenders, which have been used on Broadway and Third avenue, New York, for the past thirteen months. In that period no fatal accident has occurred.

The fender is only a half inch from the street surface and is said to be effective. There is nothing in the front of the car hanging down except the grip spindle and that is covered with rubber.

SPRING IS COME.

It Heralded Its Advent Yesterday with Balmy Breeze and Bright Sunshine.

The first day of spring came yesterday; not in accordance with any scientific division of time, but as a matter of fact. The range of temperature was from 39 degrees to 65. It is he first time the mercury has touched the latter mark in four months.

The glorious sunshine and balmy air brought all Washington out to enjoy the day. The churches were well attended, and the out-door preachers had crowds of hundreds where usually are scores.

The Capitol was a center of attraction in the afternoon, and hundreds strolled about the western plaza and gossiped and looked at the city covered with a faint haze.

At evening the sun went down in a sea of orange, yellow, and fumes red, with hues constantly changing, all veiled in a deep purple mist hanging over the Virgsnia hills.

With the warm day the only evidence of spring in the coloring of the lands ape was the light green of patches of grass in sheltered places about the public grounds. In a few places, as along the southwestern base of the Capitol, this coloring spreads into a broad band of deeper hue.

Among the trees the maples are bursting their buds, and the "pussy willows" are an inch long and rapidly growing on the white birches and similar trees.

In favored positions the crocuses, white, purple and golden, have sprung into full bloom and the blue star resembling somewhat the periwinkle, but growing from a bulb is putting up a bright cluster here and there in a few borders. The jonquils and daffodils will soon be ready to blossom and the tulips and hyacinths are pushing thick stems through the crust.

BURGLARS AT THEIR WORK.

But For Timely Interruption Dr. Parsons Would Have Lost Many Valuables.

A bold burglary was committed last night at the residence of Dr. Starr Parsons, No. 306 C street northeast.

At about 8:45 o'clock Mr. G. W. Parsons, nephew of Dr. Parsons, was passing his uncle's residence when he saw a light struck and the gas lit in the third story. Having left the house earlier in the evening when Dr. Parsons and his wife were preparing to go to church he was surprised to see the light.

He rang the bell, and while standing at the door he heard footsteps, seemingly of two or more men descending the stairs, and cease in the direction of the back door.

Mr. Parsons immediately called to Mr. William Burdine, who was standing on the doorsteps of his residence, No. 302 C street, and they ran to the alley in the rear of the house, but the burglars had distanced them and had disappeared by way of one of the alleys leading either to Third street or to Massachusetts avenue.

The thieves had effected an entrance by climbing over the shed in the rear of the residence and raising a back window.

On entering the house Mr. Parsons and Mr. Burdine found silverware spread all over the dining room floor and table, and jewelry scattered over the floor of the upper room. It is not yet known how much was stolen by the housebreakers.

Rev. J. J. Muir's Lecture on the Bible.

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, in the Metropolitan M. E. Church, the Rev. J. J. Muir will deliver the third lecture in the course on the Bible founded by the American Society of Religious Education, his theme being "The Bible and national welfare." Mr. Justice Brewer, of the Supreme Court of the United States, will introduce Dr. Muir to the audience, which is expected to fill the church, as on the occasion of the former two lectures, which proved to be so successful. The doors will be opened at half past seven and the admission will be free, the expenses being met by collections.

String Orchestra Concert.

The Washington String Orchestra will hold its first concert at the Universalist Church, corner Thirteenth and L streets northwest, on Saturday evening of this week, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Edwin Z. Perkins, soprano, and Mr. John Porter Lawrence, pianist, will assist in the evening's programme, which will consist of selections from Mendelssohn, Shubert, and compositions by Mr. Ernest L. at, of this city, among the latter being the Cradle Song and Laughing Song. The programme will be a treat to lovers of music, and a large attendance will undoubtedly greet the orchestra.

An Old Man Assaults His Child.

Policeman Joyce and O'Brien, of the Third precinct, early yesterday morning arrested James Price, colored, fifty-six years of age, on complaint of Mary Washington, who claimed that Price attempted to criminally assault her nine-year-old daughter, Lilly, about midnight Saturday night. The crime was alleged to have been committed in an alley between Twenty-second and Twenty-third and L and M streets, northwest. Price will be given a hearing in police court to-day.

Officers for the Temporary Home.

At a meeting for election of officers for the coming year for the Temporary Home for ex-Union Soldiers and Sailors, the following gentlemen were elected: Calvin Farnsworth, president; Newton Ferree, vice-president; Thomas R. Turnbull, secretary; Dr. J. H. Bradford, secretary; Rev. W. H. Gotwald, chaplain.

Robbed the Senate Bathroom.

Jesse Jones, a sixteen-year-old colored boy, will be taken before Judge Miller this morning charged with entering and robbing the Senate bathroom over one month ago. Detectives Horne and Weedon, who arrested the boy, also recovered the stolen articles, several razors and hair clippers.

George Johnson Is All Right.

The physicians at Freedman's Hospital say George Johnson, colored, who was struck by an electric car at Fourteenth and U streets northwest, Saturday night, will recover. He is well out of danger.

Gone to a Milder Climate.

Mr. J. E. Jones, who has been seriously ill with the grip for six weeks, will leave to-day for Florida and Bermuda. He will remain away until his health is completely restored.

OUTLAW TRACK NOW ALONE

Madison Will Close Down and Reorganize Legitimately.

Call from Cleveland for a Convention of Those Interested in Honest Racing and Against Winter Tracks.

St. Louis, Mo., March 10.—The announcement made by the Madison Association that the meeting ended with the last race yesterday caused considerable surprise among local turfites.

This action was agreed upon at a meeting of the association late last night. This does not mean that the course has seen its last horse race at all, but that the next time its gates are opened it will be for the inauguration of a legitimate meeting on an enlarged track a mile in circumference.

When this is done, the association will apply for membership in the Turf Congress and give a legitimate meeting at the close of the Fairgrounds races.

TO HONEST RACING MEN.

Call for a National Convention to Eliminate Winter Tracks.

Baltimore, March 10.—Sidney W. Giles, secretary of the Cleveland Driving Park Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, has sent out a call for a convention on Monday, April 9, in that city to organize the American Sporting League, similar to that which now exists in England.

The call asks each sporting association to send one or more delegates, and says: "The object of the league will be to promote racing and all legitimate sport, honestly conducted; prevent legislation hostile to its interests, and to eliminate the so-called winter tracks and other evils."

In a letter accompanying the call, Mr. Giles says: "All sports are threatened by adverse legislation, until in some States trotting and running tracks are being closed or abandoned. That abuses on race tracks exist no one can deny. All honest sport is interested in the suppression of these abuses."

Alexander Island Entries for To-day.

First race—Five furlongs.

Ind.	Horse.	Wt.	Ind.	Horse.	Wt.
133	Dutch Lou	102	16	Little Bravo	105
32	Rama	105	(56)	Apollo	105
25	Intimidad	105	36	Lithograph	102
27	Columbus	102	104	Bessemer	102
36	R. F. Dee	105	33	Mate	102
—	Glorians	105	10	Electric Light	102
27	Clansman	102	26	Wang	105

Second race—Six and a half furlongs.

Ind.	Horse.	Wt.	Ind.	Horse.	Wt.
36	Blue Bird	108	37	Tiny Tim	103
31	Andrew L	103	913	My Gyps	103
905	B. Blackburn	95	101	Psyche	95
32	J. McLaughlin	105	(50)	Brightwood	102
119	Bolivar	100	119	King Bird	100
(851)	Marguerite	98			

Third race—Six and one-quarter furlongs.

Ind.	Horse.	Wt.	Ind.	Horse.	Wt.
35	Fritz	105	58	Syde	111
34	Northford	101	(55)	O'Hearn	112
122	Miss Castles	101	(24)	Canadian	112
35	Bellagio	105			

Fourth race—Five furlongs.

Ind.	Horse.	Wt.	Ind.	Horse.	Wt.
—	Lilly K.	126	130	Cadet	131
(24)	Trinculo	126	33	Miney B	123
663	DeCourcey	124	14	Tam Hall	124
33	Grand Prix	128	56	Jersey Pat	128
28	Vestibule	131	21	Sonora	124
19	Reynard	134			

Fifth race—Six and a half furlongs.

Ind.	Horse.	Wt.	Ind.	Horse.	Wt.
27	Detroit	101	998	Fan King	111
22	Vennsburg	96	(19)	Elizabeth	108
18	Johnny	108	25	West Side	111

Tips for To-day's Races.

First race—Glorians; Wang.
Second race—Brightwood; Marguerite.
Third race—O'Hearn; Lyde.
Fourth race—Grand Prix; Tammany Hall.
Fifth race—Elizabeth; Johnny.

LANKY BOB LOSES GLORI.

Payment of Forfeit Money Permanently Settles the Matter.

The arrival in town yesterday of the lanky gentleman, who is matched to go up against Champion James Corbett, Mr. Robert Fitzsimmons, created quite a furore in local sporting circles. Aside from his reputation as one of, if not the best, pugilist in the ring to-day, his recent trouble with his late partner, Charles Glori, has brought him very prominently before the public.

When asked about the trouble with Glori, he said the whole matter was permanently settled, Judge Marion S. Green, of Buffalo, having granted a dissolution of partnership. Glori was paid the balance of the money due him from the $750 which he had contributed toward the $5,000 forfeit money now posted. This latter transaction was the finale, and witnessed the exit of ex-Capt. of Police Glori from the Fitzsimmons combination.

Brady, acting for Gentleman Jim, has given an extention of time until May 1, for the posting of the other $5,000. This, says Lanky Bob, could be put up to-morrow if it were absolutely necessary.

Fitzsimmons has secured Dan Dwyer, the former sparring partner of John L. Sullivan, to meet him at Kernan's Lyceum Theater this week, and if satisfactory to both parties, the arrangement will be permanent.

WANT TO BUY THE JUBILEE.

It Is Proposed to Enter Her in the Trial Races Next August.

Boston, March 10.—A movement is on foot here to raise sufficient money by popular subscription to purchase the yacht Jubilee from Gen. Payne, and after altering her somewhat, to enter her in the trial races next August.

Subscription lists have been opened with Kidder, Peabody & Co., Jackson & Curtis, and Frank Seabury & Co., and prompt responses are expected. Among the yachtsmen interested in the movement is H. W. Foster, owner of the Barbara.

Gen. Payne to-night stated that he had received no formal notice that a syndicate contemplated purchasing the Jubilee, but he said that the boat was for sale. He declined to name a price for her.

Ysaye at Metzerott Hall.

Ysaye, the famous Belgian violin virtuoso, whose recent performance at Metzerott Music Hall so charmed his audience, will be heard here once more this season. He will give another violin recital at the same place next Friday evening.

Ysaye, though yet quite young, already ranks among the great violinists of the world, and the announcement of his return will hardly fail to create an immediate desire to hear him.

Run Down By a Bicycle.

While Policeman W. S. Brady, of the Sixth precinct, was crossing the street at North Capitol and H streets last evening with hi little boy in his arms he was run into by a bicycle which was being rapidly propelled by Charles A. Mann, an engineer. When Mr. Brady saw that a collision was inevitable he threw his child from him and received the full shock himself. The little one was only slightly injured about the face. The policeman was knocked down and painfully hurt. Mann was arrested and left collateral at No. 6 station house on the charge of assault and battery.

Raid in Front of a Church.

Acting upon the complaints of the minister and members of the congregation of Douglass Memorial Church, corner of Eleventh and H streets northeast, Policemen S. L. Brown, Gee and Emerson, of the Ninth precinct, raided a crowd of young men last night who were loitering in front of the church, and, it is said, disturbing the worship. The prisoners locked up on the charge of obstructing the sidewalk were: Fred. Cowsill, bricklayer; Richard Thomas, student; Robert Morigan, laborer; Stanley Houchen, student; Charles McCarty, student, and Theodore Newman, plumber. They ranged in age from seventeen to nineteen years.

HISTORY OF THE HEBREWS.

Prof. Samuel Ramsey Delivers the First of a Series of Lectures.

An able and instructive lecture was delivered yesterday afternoon before a select assemblage at the Red Cross headquarters by Prof. Samuel Ramsey of this city. His lecture was the first of a series of six to be delivered on the history and customs of the Hebrews, and it dealt with the monarchical period. "It might be termed," said Prof. Ramsey, "from Joshua to Nebuchadnezzar."

The first part of the lecture was mainly introductory to the series and gave an extended description of the country occupied by this historic people.

Prof. Ramsay said that prophets and patriarchs had never ceased the lament and the separation of the tribes. Still, had they remained unified the result would have been the same. Between the Egyptians on one side, and the people beyond the Euphrates on the other, they would finally have been crushed.

The Hebrews were near of kin to all their neighbors. The Carthaginians, Phoenicians, and Arabs, all except the Philistines, were closely related in race and customs.

The Hebrews were at first polytheists. Their