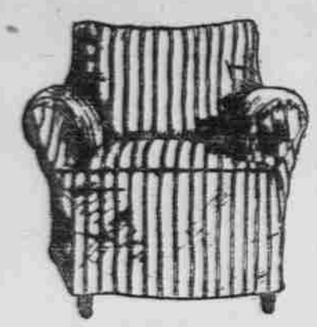

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BLACKBURN SPEAKS OUT

Utterance of No Uncertain Sound On the Silver Question.

DARES SENATORIAL RIVALS

Favors Unlimited Coinage of the White Metal Or An Equality With Gold—Does Not Believe It Necessary For the United States To Wait For An International Agreement—Is a Positive Bimetallist.

In the interview given below, published in yesterday's Courier Journal, Senator Blackburn, in unmistakable terms, outlines his position on the silver question, and boldly throws down the gauntlet to his opponents for similar candor on the same subject. With his usual aggressiveness the Senator almost dares his opponents to meet him on the issue he presents, and it may be assumed that the challenge will be promptly accepted.

Senator Blackburn arrived in the city Thursday, and is stopping at the Willard Hotel. In response to the reiterated inquiry concerning his position on the coinage question, he prepared the following statement as an authoritative expression of his views and answer to the criticisms which have been based on erroneous or misleading reports of alleged interviews:

"For the last twenty years in Congress and on the stump, anywhere and everywhere, I have earnestly and persistently insisted upon the restoration of the silver metal to that place in the money system of the country which it had always held prior to the passage of that disastrous act of demonetization passed in 1873.

REITERATES HIS VIEWS.

"If there is one man in public life in all the country whose views upon this subject were entitled to be known of all men by reason of his acts and utterances, I had reason to believe that I was that man. Upon this subject I have never held an opinion nor made an utterance that I have in the slightest degree altered or modified in all these years.

"Yet if there is any still uninformed who desires to know what my views are, I will reiterate them in the shortest space possible by saying that I am in favor of opening the mints of this country to the unlimited coinage of the silver metal on an equality with gold. I am opposed to gold monometallism, and just as much opposed to silver monometallism; without reservation or evasion, I am a bi-metallist.

"I want, and mean to continue to insist upon the use of both gold and silver on even terms as the redemption money of this country. I would be glad to see this result brought about by the action of an international conference, provided that could be done without delay. I am opposed to this government waiting for any such conference to act."

ONLY FARCICAL AND RIDICULOUS.

"Our experience with such agencies has not been such as to give us either confidence or hope for the attainment of this purpose. Upon the contrary, our participations in such conferences have in their very barrenness become farcical and ridiculous.

HAS FAITH IN THE WHITE METAL.

"Whilst it may be true that the restoration of silver to its place of unrestricted coinage and unlimited legal tender functions may not prove a panacea for the ills that we now suffer, I am convinced that it will do more and go further in that direction than any one piece of legislation that has been or could be suggested. I have an abiding faith in the capacity of this metal to work out and maintain its permanent parity with gold, provided the oppressive hand of the law is removed and the mints of the country thrown open to its coinage.

"I believe and always did believe that the act of 1873 was an unconstitutional measure. I believe that it would have been so held by the Supreme Court of the United States had not a partisan spirit dominated the action of that tribunal.

"I am in favor of the restoration of the silver metal at a ratio of 16 to 1, believing in the light of an experience that covers a century, such ratio will establish and maintain permanently the parity between the two metals. I believe that we should take this action at the earliest day possible, independent of the policies or views of other nations.

INDEPENDENT IN ALL RESPECTS.

"I have a faith as abiding in the ability of my country to establish and maintain its own monetary system as that which I cherish in its ability to defend its own soil from invasion or its institutions from assault. In my judgment we are as independent of foreign dictation or domination in the one as we are in the other.

"For one to claim that he is a bi-metallist coupled with the condition that bi-metallism is to be brought about only as a result of international conference is a mere evasion of the situation. That is simply the work of the lawyer who files an affidavit for a continuance.

"My friends in Kentucky, I am sure, know my position upon this and all other public questions and are satisfied with it."

BLUE LABEL CIGARS.

Resolution Adopted by the Union Relative to the Proper Sale of Them.

Cigar Makers' Union, No. 110, adopted a resolution last night at its regular meeting, held at No. 737 Seventh street northwest, calling upon all dealers to consider no wholesale dealer or jobber as upholding the blue label, except when the boxes come from the factory with the label pasted on.

It was stated that certain wholesalers are in the habit of ascertaining at the time of making a sale whether or not the dealer desires "blue label" cigars, and in all cases where the response is favorable the label is attached before delivery of the boxes; but in all other respects the wholesalers ignore the union badge. This, in the estimation of 110, does not come within the requirements.

The union also adopted a resolution calling for the prosecution of all persons using a bogus label.

Dr. Easton's Sermon on Gambling.

Dr. Easton will to-night speak at the Eastern Presbyterian Church on "Gambling and Gamblers." He will arraign the Alexander Island race course as a nuisance to be abated, an outlaw to be at once arrested and its proprietors to be punished. Resolutions will be offered at the close calling on Gov. O'Ferrall to act at once.

Hotel Elsmere May Be Sold.

The sale of the Hotel Elsmere at auction, recently forbidden by Judge Cox, may proceed. The suit of Mr. George H. La Fetra against Mr. Stilson Hutchins seeking to enjoin the sale permanently was heard yesterday and the restraining order was dissolved. The complainant noted an appeal.

Criminal Cases for Judge Cole.

Judge Cole will hear all criminal cases during the next month or two. Judge McComas will be engaged in general term hearing the Kidwell flats case. The cases set before Judge Cole for Monday are against Thomas M. Jordan, Irving S. Beall, and Benjamin Jackson.

Her Parents Her Heirs.

The will of Emma L. Hopkins, who died April 13, was filed yesterday. Her mother, Phoebe B. Hopkins, is made sole beneficiary, and in case of her death the property goes to the testator's father, Jasen R. Hopkins. Charles J. Hopkins and Paul J. Cromelien are executors.

POLICE COURT WILL TRY IT

Belt Line Nuisance to Be Thoroughly Aired Legally.

Warrants Have Been Ordered by the Commissioners—Many Questions Are Involved in the Proceedings.

The District Commissioners had the question of the Eleventh street Belt line nuisance before them late yesterday. In response to a request for information, it was announced that the first step towards an official investigation would be by proceedings before the police court.

This step, it is understood, is by direction of the Commissioners. The attorney for the District has all the papers, including the protests, in his hands, and is at work examining all of the legal points.

The Commissioners stated that there are many questions involved, and that careful inquiry into each is necessary. Among these questions is the one of the rights and obligations of the company under its charter. The authority under which the company operates dates back a number of years, and its charter has been the subject of frequent amendments. This phase of the situation involves more inquiry than any other.

It is understood, however, that the law officer of the District has authority to ventilate the whole matter.

That the citizens' petition asking for the abatement of the nuisance is referred to Attorney Thomas is by no means satisfactory to the petitioners because it is said that Mr. Thomas is also the legal adviser to the Belt Line Co.

Mr. E. J. Booraem, of No. 1008 O street, is one of the chief movers in this matter and yesterday in company with Lawyer Joseph Barrett called on Commissioner Truesdell and asked what action, if any, had been taken on the petition filed with the Commissioners. He was informed by Col. Truesdell that the matter was being investigated; that Lieut. Peeples had made a personal inspection of the premises and submitted a report. This report had been referred to District Attorney Thomas. What the nature of the report is could not be learned. Mr. Booraem, however, feels confident that it is adverse to the petitioners.

The Belt Line Company intends, if possible, to locate its stables near the corner of Eleventh and O, it would appear from the fact that a short time ago they made a proposition to purchase five frame buildings on Eleventh near O street. The property is owned by Mrs. Richardson, who, having learned this purpose, it is said, refused to sell at any price. It is also said that the company made an offer of $12,000 for the property on the southeast corner of Eleventh and O streets, owned by Mrs. Levy. This offer was also refused.

DISTRICT GOOD TEMPLARS.

Quarterly Meeting Attended by the Several Subordinate Lodges.

At the quarterly session of District Lodge No. 3, of Good Templars, held at Star of Hope lodge rooms on Thursday evening, the several subordinate lodges were represented and large delegations were present. District Chief Templar A. E. Shoemaker presided. The District Lodge degree was conferred upon ten new members. Mr. J. C. Daley and Mrs. Rebecca Giles were elected as representatives to the grand lodge, and Mr. N. E. Vowles and Maurice Walmer as alternates.

The District chief templar was authorized to appoint delegates to the Anti-Saloon League. The District lodge were well pleased at the excellent manner in which the initiatory ceremonies were conducted by Star of Hope lodge, during which the District lodge took a recess, and Mr. Hopkins, from Chevy Chase, was inducted into the order.

The committees on public meetings, on state of the order, on literature and ways and means, through Edward W. Libby, A. Kalstrom, J. N. Coleman and Mrs. Giles, respectively, submitted exhaustive and comprehensive reports bearing upon the several branches of the work, and each was adopted, carrying recommendations which provide for four public meetings each week, independent of a series of meetings at the several churches in the District, the systematic distribution of literature bearing upon the work of the order, the collection of funds and the establishment of public reading rooms in various localities as fast as the necessary openings are secured. An invitation from Independent Lodge, of Georgetown, to hold the next meeting with that lodge, was accepted.

JOINT MEETING OF BAKERS.

They Favor Ten Hours Work to Constitute a Day.—Trade Questions Discussed.

The state of business, cheap bread and low wages comprised the theme for discussion last night at a joint meeting of journeymen bakers of assembly No. 2389, K. of L., and International Local Union No. 118 held at No. 430 Eighth street northwest.

These questions were discussed at great length, and a conclusion upon all points reached, the result of the deliberations being subject to approval by the local unions of both organizations.

Incidentally there was a discussion of the number of hours that shall constitute a day's labor, and favorable comment made upon the provisions of the bill lately passed by the New York legislature making ten hours a legal day for workingmen in a bakery, while at the same time permitting employers in small bakeries to individually work as long as they may see fit.

This bill is quite satisfactory to the journeymen, and the fact that the law was passed largely on account of the representations made of its necessity on considerations of health, makes it the more gratifying. It is understood to be a sanitary measure solely, and may be used as a basis for similar action by Congress.

The meeting last night was largely attended, about 175 of the membership attending. Ernest Meyer was president and Theodore Sonnberg and Anton Caspar served as secretaries.

Representative Hitt Slightly Worse.

Congressman Robert R. Hitt, of Illinois, who has been lying seriously ill for the last ten days at his residence, No. 1507 K street northwest, was reported to be slightly worse last evening. He was much better during the day than he had been Friday and his physician, Dr. W. W. Johnson, had hopes of his speedy recovery, but the change last night placed the Congressman in a rather precarious condition. While, his physician says, there are no immediate fears of serious consequences, there may be a decided change at any moment.

Max Weyl's Exhibition of Art Works.

One of the most delightful and artistic exhibits of the year is that of Max Weyl, which opens on Monday at the Fischer Galleries. In his treatment of the surrounding country of Washington he has achieved the most artistic success, although his work has always been a source of admiration to his brother artists. This year his efforts have drawn from them more favorable criticisms than ever before. A number of the canvasses are local in character, there being, however, some canvasses which, though not painted in this vicinity, are as pleasing as those which are. The exhibition will last throughout the week, and gives most favorable promises of success.

Planked Shad at Marshall Hall.

To-day the third grand plank shad dinner of the season will take place at Marshall Hall, the popular excursion resort of Washington. Dinner will be served with all the early spring vegetables, and no one should miss taking this trip to see how they plank shad. The steamer Macalester will make two trips, leaving Washington at 11 a. m. and 2:30 p. m., leaving Marshall Hall at 1:10 and 5:30 p. m.

LUMBER FELL UPON THEM

Three Little Children Were Hurt Playing "Keeping House."

INJURED BETWEEN TWO PILES

They Were Rescued With Difficulty From Their Perilous Position—It Was Thought At First That Half a Dozen Had Been Hurt—Many Anxious Mothers At the Scene of the Accident—One May Perhaps Die.

Bertha and Gracie Scott, daughters of Thomas E. Scott, of No. 713 I street southwest, aged twelve and seven years respectively, and Edward Hall, seven-year-old son of Charles Hall, of No. 637 I street southwest, were buried under a falling lumber pile at Wimsatt & Uhler's lumber yard, corner of Seventh and K streets southwest, yesterday afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock.

The two little girls received serious injuries and were removed to their home and Doctors F. G. Johnson and L. G. Frederick were called in. Bertha's left leg was broken below the knee, and Gracie received internal injuries of a serious character, which may result fatally. The boy's injuries were comparatively slight, and he was able to walk home.

HUGE PILES OF LUMBER.

All along Eighth street between I and K streets southwest, there are huge piles of lumber outside of the yard fence and on the parking, which is evidently a part of the street. It was a part of one of these piles that toppled over on the children.

The three had been given some cooked eggs by Mrs. Scott, and had gone down by the lumber piles to play at keeping house, and to have a luncheon with their eggs.

While playing around between two of the rather shaky piles of lumber, about three dozen of the top boards from one of the piles fell on them, completely burying them, and almost drowning their cries for assistance.

MANY ANXIOUS MOTHERS.

Quite a crowd collected, and for a time it was thought that the number buried under the timber was at least half a dozen, and many anxious mothers gathered around and eagerly watched as the heavy boards were removed for any signs of their own loved ones.

The patrol wagon from the Fourth precinct arrived, and when the children were gotten out the two girls were placed in it and carried home. They were doing as well as could be expected last night.

ANNIE CHANGED HER MIND.

After Escaping From the House of the Good Shepherd She Went Back.

Judge Bradley yesterday afternoon knocked higher than a kite the commitment of Annie Rothmund to the House of the Good Shepherd. The paper was made out by Major William G. Moore, superintendent of police, upon the authority of Annie's mother, Mrs. Magdalena Rothmund, of No. 1628 Sixteenth street northwest. Annie, however, returned to the institution of her own accord.

At 2 p. m. Sister Mary Rose, who accepted service yesterday of the writ issued Thursday, appeared at Judge Bradley's courtroom, accompanied by Annie, her mother, a priest, and Mr. James D. Brady, representing the House of the Good Shepherd as counsel. On the other side appeared Mr. representing Mr. Weed Corey, upon whose representation that Miss Annie was being restrained behind bars and not allowed to communicate with her friends the writ was obtained.

Sister Mary Rose, answering for Sister Mary Martin as superintendent of the institution, had filed a paper stating that the girl was committed to her care last May by Supt. of Police Moore upon the authority of the mother, with the direction that she remain at the house till of age.

Mr. Brady stated to the court these facts and denied that any one having a right to see her had been refused permission. She herself desired to remain at the house, he said.

Mr. Wheeler asked the privilege to see the young lady alone, but Judge Bradley said he would himself hold a consultation with mother and daughter.

Annie had attempted to escape from the home a few weeks ago by jumping from a window, and the relations felt quite sure of their case, but when Judge Bradley returned to the bench he stated that the girl had expressed a wish to return to the institution and remain there until she is twenty-one years of age.

When asked, however, if his dismissal of the writ returned Annie to the house under the police order, Judge Bradley said not at all. "The commitment of the superintendent of police," he said, "doesn't amount to anything. The law is that no one shall be deprived of his liberty without due process of law. That commitment is not due process of law at all."

"I'm sorry," said Mr. Brady, "that there is not an opportunity for this case to be heard and for us to refute the false allegations upon which this writ was obtained, and which have been published in the newspapers."

"So are we," said Messrs. Wheeler and Nauck in a chorus.

HONEST MONEY LEAGUE.

It Is Formed by Illinois Democrats Who Oppose Free Silver.

Chicago, April 20.—Democrats who are opposed to the free silver movement in the party in the State met to-day and formed an organization known as the Honest Money League of Illinois.

H. S. Robbins, of Chicago, was made president, and vice presidents were chosen from each county in the State.

A determined fight will be made by the league against any attempt to commit the Illinois Democracy to a free silver policy.

Judge Samuel McConnell, who recently resigned the presidency of the Iroquois Club, the powerful Democratic organization, owing to his avowal of a strong belief in free silver, announced this afternoon the withdrawal of his resignation.

In an interview Judge McConnell said that he had found that his stand for free silver would not necessitate his resignation and that he had found the members of the club perfectly willing that he should hold both the presidency and his free silver ideas.

"Telemach" in Rehearsal.

The rehearsals for Emile E. Mori's opera comique "Telemach," are progressing nicely and the full cast will be announced in a few days. The new scenery has been delivered and will be a feature of the performance. Mr. Gandlach furnishes the costumes, and is already busily engaged in hunting up genuine patterns for Grecian ladies and gentlemen of a few thousand years ago.

Charges of Embezzlement Nol. Prossed.

The charges of embezzlement against Edward Stewart were nolle prossed in the police court yesterday by United States Attorney Mullowney, and he was turned over to Detective Hogan, of the Baltimore force, to be taken to that city, where he is wanted for a number of similar offenses.

Mr. T. Stoll, representing the Automatic Piano Company, of New York, has been in this city for the last week charming hundreds of our music-loving citizens with the wonderful Self-Playing piano. This attachment can be placed on any piano without in any way interfering with its ordinary use, and its many charming effects must be heard to be believed. It is on exhibition at Messrs. Droop & Sons.

MAYOR STRAUSS ATTACKED

Chain-Gang Prisoner Caused Excitement at Alexandria.

His Assailant Was Desperate and Had Been Granted Permission by His Guard to Go to the Mayor's Store.

Considerable excitement was created in the neighborhood of the store of Mayor Strauss on King street near Fairfax, Alexandria, yesterday evening, by an assault made on the Mayor by a white tramp, a member of the chain gang, named John Meredith.

Meredith was captured on Wednesday last by the police in a raid on Schuler's barn, a tramp's den just west of this city, and the Mayor sent him to the chain gang for thirty days on a charge of vagrancy. A razor found in one of his pockets was forfeited.

Yesterday morning while the gang were cleaning up the market alley, Meredith took advantage of the permission of the overseer, to go to the store of the Mayor and demand the return of the razor, saying he wished to use it to shave with in jail. The Mayor told him that the razor was forfeited, besides he could not be allowed to carry dangerous weapons in the city jail.

Upon this the man became very abusive and in the presence of several customers began cursing and abusing the mayor.

While this was going on a messenger had been privately despatched to the police station, only a half block away, and Officer Griffin responded, and by the mayor's orders put the man under arrest. On the way to the station, Meredith, who is a powerful man, resisted, but was dragged there and when inside the station as he was being taken into the cell room broke away from the officer and made a rush towards the mayor, who had accompanied the officer, and attempted to strike him.

Mr. Griffin was too quick for him, and as his arm was descending on the mayor's face, struck him a heavy blow with a baton, on the back of the head.

The blow knocked him to the floor in a semi-conscious state, and cut a gash from which the blood flowed very freely. When he recovered all the spirit was out of him, and he was placed in a cell without any further trouble.

MRS. LYDIA GORDON DIVORCED.

All Her Charges Against Her Husband Fully Proved.

The Gordon divorce suit was ended yesterday by Judge Hagner granting Mrs. Lydia G. Gordon a divorce from Fulton R. Gordon on the cross-bill and dismissing the original and amended bills filed by Mr. Gordon. The custody of the child, James Howell Gordon, was awarded to Mrs. Gordon. The request of the father, made by his attorney, Mr. Edmund French, for permission to visit the boy, was denied.

It was decreed that Mr. Gordon pay the cost of the suit, and Judge Hagner offered to direct that he pay for the maintenance of both wife and child, but it was stated that Mrs. Gordon did not desire this.

The decision was also a complete vindication of Mr. Wharton E. Lester. Judge Hagner said Mrs. Gordon had disproved all charges against her, while her husband had not refuted that brought against him.

Visiting Pythians Invited.

All visiting Pythians should pay Union Lodge, No. 22, K. of P., at least one fraternal visit while in the city. They are assured of a warm welcome; and it will do them good to see the work as it is put on the floor by the officers and team of Union Lodge. The lodge is in a thriving condition, it having work of some kind on the floor every night. Next Wednesday evening has been set apart for another of those delightful socials. This time it is given in honor of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Union Lodge, in appreciation of the invaluable service rendered during the Pythian fair. The committee in charge have spared no pains to make this entertainment a grand success, and have secured some of the best local talent in the city for the occasion. A cordial invitation is extended to all Pythians and their families to be present.

George Killian's Mental Condition.

George J. Killian, of No. 3412 P street northwest, with property worth $9,500, is to be brought before a jury to determine his mental condition. A petition was filed yesterday by his sister, Annie Killian, stating that for nine weeks Mr. Killian has been deranged and at Providence Hospital.

He was discharged a few days ago uncured, and she believes him to be incurable. His wife, Bertie I. Killian, is left to care for their three children, and Miss Killian asks that her brother be properly cared for and her sister-in-law named as guardian, to have charge of the estate, which consists of several houses and $500 in personalty, including two horses and a wagon.

Affidavits of Dr. Lewis W. Ritchie, Charles C. Marbury and T. N. Vincent, stating that Mr. Killian is insane, are filed.

Rather an Expensive Saw.

James Peak, the carpenter who was arrested by Second precinct policemen Thursday night for the larceny of a saw from Thomas C. Robbins, was tried in the police court yesterday. Judge Miller ordered him to restore the stolen property and to pay a fine of $5, or spend fifteen days in jail in default.

Ex-Consul Waller in France.

Marseilles, April 20.—The steamship Djemah, from the Island of Madagascar, has arrived here, having on board Mr. John L. Waller, formerly United States consul at Tamatave, who was recently tried by court martial and sentenced to twenty years imprisonment on the charge of having been a spy in the interest of the Hovas.

ALEXANDRIA HAPPENINGS.

The managers of the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway have arranged to begin the building of the line to Washington as soon as their plans for the road in Washington are approved by the District Commissioners. The road will start at its present terminus in the Driving Park at St. Asaph Junction and will run in a bee-line through St. Elmo and the brick yards at Arlington to the banks of the Potomac below Arlington.

The barroom at the St. Asaph Driving Park, which is in a brick building near the St. Asaph Junction entrance to the poolroom, was entered by thieves on Friday night last and $45 in money and liquor was taken.

The Alexandria branch of the Virginia Bible Society will meet in the Second Presbyterian Church this afternoon at 4:15 o'clock. Rev. Therm H. Rice, pastor of the church, will deliver an address, and the ministers of the other churches will also be present and address the meeting.

The services in Trinity M. E. Church today will be of special interest. At the 11 a. m. service Rev. Mr. Weech, of Pennsylvania, will preach. Rev. Dr. McAllister, the pastor, will conduct a short service at 7:30 p. m., and at 8 p. m. the revival service will be begun. Rev. Samuel Stobley, of Philadelphia, will preach.

MINOR NEWS NOTES.

Mr. Charles B. Marshall has decided to withdraw from the contest for councilman in the Third ward, and the names of Messrs. G. A. Appich and John H. Greene have been mentioned as probable candidates.

Admiral Ammen, U. S. N., with his two daughters, were visitors at the ship yard in this city yesterday to inspect the Fryer steamer, Howard Cassard, now lying there preparing for her trial trip in about ten days. The visitors were taken all over the ship by Mr. Fryer, her designer.

The St. John's College baseball team, of Annapolis, Md., was defeated by the Episcopal High School nine yesterday evening by a score of 12 to 0.

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Of every description and every kind.

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For there you will find a full explanation
Of quality so high and price so low,
With a happy heart to your home you will go.

We are done with the men, so next come the boys,
Accustomed to getting their bats, balls and toys.
To you we will say, in a very few words,
We can furnish you a suit at price two-thirds.

Last, but NOT LEAST, come the children and mothers,
Looking for bargains told them by others.
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TRIAL OF INTERESTING CASES.

Wire Tappers, Bookmakers, Sugar Trust Magnates and Capt. Howgate.

The cases against Babcock and Owen for conspiracy resulting in tapping the wires on Long Bridge in order to anticipate the news from the races last fall, have been set for trial next Thursday.

It is probable also that immediately before or after that trial, Fred T. Miller, on a charge of bookmaking at Bennings, eight months ago, will be called up and heard. This trial, it is supposed, will not occupy more than a day.

The time for hearing the charges against Messrs. Havemeyer and Searles for refusal to answer questions in the sugar investigation may be set for the following week. The Howgate trial will probably follow soon. The District Attorney is ready to take up the Howgate case at once, but counsel on the other side have been hindered by illness in preparing.

TAYLOR GUILTY OF MURDER.

Verdict Rendered by the Jury After an All-Night Session.

A verdict of guilty of murder was returned at 10 o'clock yesterday morning against Thomas J. Taylor. Taylor shot his wife to death at 8 a. m. on September 14 last.

The jury that retired at 4:15 Friday afternoon came to an agreement early yesterday morning, and were ready when court opened. Taylor received the announcement of the verdict quietly, and Mr. E. G. Niles, of his counsel, gave notice of a motion for a new trial. Taylor was then remanded to jail to await the progress of the case.

The court room was well filled and the verdict was accepted without surprise.

Return of Mrs. Moseley.

Hon. Edward A. Moseley, secretary Interstate Commerce Commission, is at his post again, after an extended official trip to the Pacific coast. Mr. Moseley found his desk loaded down with beautiful flowers, expressions of good will and welcome.

WEST END NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Nellie Stalt, nine years of age, the daughter of Farmer John Stalt, who resides about twenty miles above Georgetown, near the canal, was burned to death late Friday night at her home. The little girl was playing with matches near the house, when a dry bush caught fire. In her attempt to stamp out the blaze her frock became ignited and before aid could reach her she was terribly burned about the arms, face, and abdomen. About midnight she died in great agony.

Lewis Wood, forty-four years of age and demented, who wandered from his home near Arlington on Wednesday, was found yesterday in the eastern section of the city by the Fifth precinct police and turned over to his father.

Rev. Mr. Truett will speak this morning at the Georgetown Baptist Church on "Missions and missionaries among the Indians and in Cuba," and Prof. Montague will address the congregation in the evening.

Rev. Walter R. Graham, rector of the Congress M. P. Church, will to-day leave for Elizabeth City, N. J., where he will officiate at the dedication of the Elizabeth M. E. Church. He will remain three days. His pulpit will be occupied in his absence by Rev. A. Davidson, of the M. E. South Church.

The following loaded barges are en route to Georgetown: Consolidation No. 16, 121.11; No. 127, 114.11; No. 119, 123.09; B. R. Mayfield, 118.15; No. 120, 114.04; Onthens, 69.15; Judge Olney, 116.07; No. 111, 122.05; H. H. Keedy, 118.00.

Boats clearing are G. A. Hoffman, No. 137, S. M. Storm, C. R. White, Judge Stake.

Mr. A. Rabbit, seventy years of age, died at his residence yesterday forenoon. He will be buried Monday evening.

Charles E. Smidt, of Thirty-fourth street, is recovering from an attack of bronchial pneumonia.

Miss Nellie Burdett, of High street, is visiting friends in Boston. She will return in May.

The Misses Mabel and Clara Brown have returned home after an absence of two years at the Westminster Seminary.

Messrs. John R. Leach, Simon Brown, Walter T. Wallis and Wm. Williams have gone on a hunting trip into the "highlands" of West Virginia.

Amos Lydine, of Fort Myer road, reports that while hunting beyond the District line in Maryland Wednesday night he was held up by two colored men with shotguns and relieved of $37 in bills and silver.

Mr. Thomas A. Beach, of Tennallytown, is negotiating the purchase of 1,200 acres of Virginia soil from Claud V. Mitchell, of Loudoun County.

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