

MUNICIPAL BUILDING PLANS DISCUSSED

New Home for Commissioners and Clerks to Be Pushed Forward.

CONFERENCE AT TREASURY

Power House Site Offered to District—Proposed Competition of Architects for Design of Structure—Number of Rooms Needed.

A conference took place yesterday between Commissioner H. B. F. Macfarland, of the District Board, and the Secretary of the Treasury relative to the purchase of the site, the preparation of the plans and the erection of the building were discussed, and an understanding arrived at as to the action to be taken under the law authorizing the building.

Section 6 of the building act passed at the last session of Congress directs the Secretary of the Treasury to acquire by purchase, for a sum not to exceed \$500,000, the site bounded by E. D. Thirteenth-and-a-half, and Fourteenth Streets northwest, and that when so purchased the Secretary of the Treasury and the District Commissioners shall jointly erect thereon a building the cost of which shall not, with the site, exceed \$1,500,000.

Commissioner Macfarland found Secretary Shaw in accord with his own views as to the desirability of acting promptly upon the powers granted under the law, and to complete the purchase of the site, to devise plans and to begin the construction of the building at the earliest possible date.

To this end Secretary Shaw has received the formal offer of the Capital Traction Company for the sale of the lot, and it has been referred to the Attorney General for examination of the title. Secretary Shaw stated to the Commissioner that if some flaw did not appear in the title to the property the deal would be completed in about ten days.

Architects Will Compete.

The next step determined upon is for the Commissioners and the Secretary of the Treasury to have a conference, probably next Tuesday, with the supervising architect of the Treasury with reference to the plans of the building.

The Commissioner stated that the general plan of procedure would be for the supervising architect to lay down a program of competition, as was done in the case of the buildings for the proposed municipal hospital, and to select an architect of the building from this competition.

With a view to hastening matters, Commissioner Macfarland yesterday addressed each department of the municipality, requesting an estimate of the number of rooms and the floor space that would be needed in the new building. This data will be placed in the hands of the supervising architect of the Treasury, to enable him to form a general opinion of the size and character of the building desired.

Commissioner Macfarland yesterday expressed regret that there was not this year some public celebration of the Fourth of July. He said this was not, to his mind, a proper thing at all. Of all places in the country, he thought, Washington was the place to keep alive the sentiment of patriotism and to celebrate the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Speaking of the matter, he said:

"I am very sorry that there was no general public meeting in celebration of Independence Day here. I believe that such a meeting ought to be held every year. Of all places in the National Capital ought to celebrate most fully the great national day.

"Heretofore the Sons of the American Revolution and the Sons of the Revolution have held appropriate meetings here on the Fourth of July, which the general public attended. But yesterday the only meeting was that of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association, which was held in the country.

"I think of proposing to the Commissioners that we arrange each year for a District celebration of the Fourth of July. The Boston government has a celebration in Faneuil Hall, the Philadelphia government has one in Independence Hall. They have had them practically ever since the Declaration of Independence.

"I think the executive government of the District of Columbia might properly establish a similar celebration in the National Capital. Surely there ought to be some general meeting to which patriotic citizens of the National Capital might go on Independence Day to hear the Declaration of Independence read and appropriate addresses and music."

JAMES H. YATES RELEASED.

His Hilarity on Georgetown Streets Yesterday Condoned.

James H. Yates, who said he was an apothecary, and that he had charge of his mother's drug store in Georgetown, was a prisoner in the Police Court yesterday to answer for being disorderly. It was said he was drunk and noisy on F Street Friday morning.

TWO OF TRIPLETS DEAD.

Mother Convalescing and Surviving Boy Promises to Live.

Mrs. Laura Jane Davis, mother of triplets, born two weeks ago, is slowly recovering from a long illness at her humble home, 1315 First Street southeast, but her heart is broken, for two of the babies are dead.

Lying on her poor bed, surrounded by poverty, the frail little woman is putting up a strong battle for her life, and that of the remaining child. Her physician says she is now out of danger, although her condition for a time was critical.

Mrs. Davis' case is unique in the history of Washington. Her triplets were born on June 21, and, as is unusual in such cases, the babies were all boys. The three tiny mites were all lusty and healthy, when born, although each was smaller than the smallest normal baby ever in Mrs. Davis and her husband, James A. Davis, were very proud of them.

The three atoms of humanity lay side by side in the bed, like three little peas in their pod, while many of the most able doctors of the city visited them in the interest of science. Hundreds of visitors thronged the one-story home of the Davis family, close to the bank of the Eastern Branch, at the foot of First Street, from the time the babies were born until a few days ago.

On June 27, one of the babies died, and his small brother died on the next day. There was a pitiful funeral, attended by sympathizing neighbors, when the two tiny infants were buried side by side in the same coffin. The other baby remains, and as he is strong and hardy, there is every prospect that he will live.

He is a good baby, and his mother and father are proud of him, although they have had many children before the triplets came. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have had eleven children, eight of whom, including two of the triplets, have died.

JUDGE SCOTT TALKS OF POLICE DISCRIMINATION

Lecture to Officers Testifying in Police Court.

Some Very Pointed Remarks on the Subject of Making Arrests.

Judge Scott, in the District branch of the Police Court, yesterday made about thirty policemen who were there to testify against prisoners for various misdemeanors feel extremely uncomfortable by deluging them with what he no doubt thought was a deserved and salutary lecture. His text was "discrimination."

After a dozen or more persons, men and women, black and white, had been arraigned on charges of disorderly conduct, the specific accusation being that they had indulged in profanity during their celebration of Independence Day, a big negro named Charles Johnson was brought out of the dock to answer for alleged similar inactivity.

Johnson declared that he was only talking loudly, expressing joy at meeting an old friend, but the policeman who made the arrest insisted that he was profane.

"Did you bring everybody into court today that was heard to curse yesterday, and do you bring everybody in that you hear curse on other days?" asked the judge.

"Not all," was the admission. "I thought not," retorted his honor. "If you did, and your brother officers did likewise, we would have many more such cases to deal with. Why, there is not a day that I do not hear profanity

on the streets. I have even heard it from policemen under this roof.

"It is a reflection, but it is a fact that a man with good clothes and diamonds can do all the cursing on the streets, or elsewhere, that he wants to, without fear of arrest; but the poor devil who has to work all day and live in an alley, and who happens to step over the bounds, is certain to get locked up.

Discrimination Breeds Contempt.

"This is not fair; it is not right; it is discrimination and breeds contempt for the court and the law.

"Treat everybody alike—rich and poor. If you hear me curse, take me before Judge Kimball and have me fined.

"I have no more right to use profanity than the prisoner here. Neither have you. Yet you do, and you permit others to do so with impunity, while still others, less fortunate, you hold strictly to the regulations and arrest and have punished if they violate them.

"Treat all alike."

Johnson was let off on personal bonds.

FATHER DISAPPROVED OF NOCTON'S MARRIAGE

Son Arrested for Disorderly Conduct Is Released on Personal Bonds

Dissatisfaction over a matrimonial alliance was given as the root of a charge of disorderly conduct made by Martin Nocton, seventy years of age, against his son, William, about forty-five, in the Police Court yesterday.

The elder Nocton said his son got drunk and came to his home on I Street a few days ago, and cursed him because he would not give him money.

Martin Nocton explained to the court that he had aroused his father's displeasure by disregarding his wishes concerning marriage. His wife was bitter toward his (Martin's) sire, and the trouble that got him into court grew out of this condition of affairs.

He denied cursing his father and Judge Scott took his personal bonds.

SMALLEST FIRE LOSS IN TWELVE YEARS

Report of Fire Chief Dutton for Fiscal Year.

Number of Alarms Responded to by the Department Largest in Its History.

According to the report submitted to the District Commissioners yesterday by the chief engineer of the Fire Department, the fire loss for the fiscal year just closed was the smallest in twelve years.

The total loss for the year was \$130,925, or just \$11,914 less than one-half of what it was the previous year, when the loss reached \$235,677.

This large reduction of the fire loss was accomplished despite the fact that the number of alarms answered by the department was the largest in its history, 771, an increase of 61 over the year previous.

The report of the Fire Department for June shows that the department responded during that period to 32 bell alarms, two of which were false, and to 21 local or silent alarms, one of which was false.

The 29 fires which occasioned the bell alarms resulted in a loss of \$4,045, the property involved being covered by an insurance of \$15,985, while the local alarm fires caused a loss of \$235, the property endangered by them being insured for \$24,500.

The total loss for the month was \$4,430, and the total insurance \$40,485.

Twenty-three of the fires occurred in brick buildings, 17 in frame ones, and 2 in stone, the other fires being the burning of awning, conduit, hay pile, waste paper, etc.

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Rebuilding the Bon Marche

The Workmen Start to Tear Down July 15. We Must Be Ready in About Ten Days.

We have got until Wednesday week to clear out the bulk of this stock. Of course thousands of dollars' worth of goods have gone in the last two weeks, but there's an equal amount of goods that must be closed out from now till the fifteenth.

We have hesitated at no sacrifice of worth or cost in order to move what's left here. The list of sacrifices that'll start this week's selling have never been duplicated even in this sale.

We'll supply every want a woman has, and seldom ask more than half price.

Couple to the sale prices the fact that you are buying the merchandise that's most in demand now—Summer Millinery, Summer Ready-to-wear Goods and Ribbons, Neckwear, etc., that are most in demand, and you reach the full realization of what this sale really means. We're sacrificing goods that our regular prices would have been low for—we're asking you around half and less than half price for what you want most.

A Notable Ribbon Bargain

From the Sale.

We've made a lot of the best ribbons that ever sold for 17c in this sale now at 10c. They're 3-in. all-silk heavy lustrous taffetas—the ribbons one uses for neckwear, rosettes, sashes, and streamers—in white, pink, cream, blue, cardinal, Nile, turquoise, royal, navy, apple, maize, lilac, violet, new green, old rose, etc., and the Rebuilding Sale 10c Price is.....

No. 2 Satin Gros Grain Ribbon, 3/4 inch wide—for heading, dress 11c trimming, etc., 10-yr. pieces, for.....

No. 2 Linen Back Velvet Ribbon, for heading and dress trimming, worth 25c piece, for..... 35c

Laces and Embroideries.

Swiss and Nainsook, Embroidery Beading, in fancy and plain designs, 1/4 to 1 inch wide, worth 12c to 15c yard. Rebuilding Sale Price, 8c

1 lot of Point de Paris and Val. Laces, 2 to 5 inches wide—the broken sets of our finer match sets that sold regularly for from 15c to 25c yard. Rebuilding Sale 9c Price.....

1 lot of fine Imported White French Embroidered Tabs—12 different styles—regularly sold for 15c and 25c each. Rebuilding Sale Price..... 10c

Handkerchiefs.

1 lot of Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs—hemstitched and lace trimmed; regular price 5c and 3c. Rebuilding Sale Price..... 3c

Shirt Waists.

A lot of White India Linen, P. K., and Cheviot Waists—some embroidered, others lace trimmed, others hemstitched, and still others tucked, with long and short sleeves; sold regularly at \$1.50 and \$1.25. Rebuilding Sale Price..... 79c

Silk Waists.

A lot of Taffeta and Japanese Silk Waists, in black, white, and all colors, some trimmed with hemstitching and others tucked—open up the back and front; regular price, \$1, \$1.50, and \$1. Rebuilding Sale Price..... \$1.98

Skirts.

Cream Flannel, Brilliantine, Enameled, and Cheviot Skirts, stitched flounce and flare effects; worth \$10 and \$12. Rebuilding Sale Price..... \$5.98

Silk Petticoats.

Taffeta Silk Petticoats, in black and colors—a variety of styles in skirts that sold for \$7, \$7.50, and \$8. Rebuilding sale price..... \$5

Shirt Waist Suits.

Batiste and Lawn Shirt Waist Suits in a variety of patterns and styles, that are worth \$2.50. Rebuilding Sale Price, 95c

Muslin Underwear.

We've one lot of several dozen gowns in muslin—with yoke of small tucks—and neck and sleeves trimmed with cambrie ruffles. They are usually 50c, and we've put 31c them in the Rebuilding Sale at.....

A lot of fine Muslin Drawers, umbrella shape, with wide ruffle of fine embroidery and clusters of tucks; regular 30c goods. In this 23c sale at.....

Cambrie Petticoats, some trimmed with Point de Paris Lace; others with Torchon Lace, and still others trimmed with embroideries. Petticoats that sold for \$1.50. In 95c sale at.....

29 different styles of French-shape Corset Covers, in nainsook and cambrie; round and square neck; trimmed with Point de Paris, Mechlin, Val, and Torchon laces and fine embroideries. All are finished with heading and draw ribbons; 50c, 60c, 75c, and \$1 Covers. In this 49c sale at.....

Hosiery and Underwear Prices That Claim Attention.

This department of Hosiery and Knit Underwear has been one of the most popular departments in the house during this sale. The big stock here has necessitated unusually deep cuts and we have, in consequence, been able to make the attractions extraordinary.

1000 Ladies' White Cotton Vests go on sale now at 5c; low neck, sleeves, taped neck, and arm; they sell for 12c. Rebuilding Sale Price..... 5c

A lot of Ladies' Fine Lisle Vests, low neck and sleeveless, in handsome all-over lace effects; both plain and lace trimmed; 35c and 50c values. In the Rebuilding 19c Sale at.....

500 dozen Ladies' Fine Black Hose, reel Mao yarn, in gauze and cotton; plain and white feet, and also hose in extracted colors that sell for 12c. Rebuilding for the Rebuilding 11c Sale at.....

Children's Plank Lace Hose, the latest style, in the lace, in sizes 1/2 to 3 1/2; regular 15c. In this sale at..... 11c

Toilet Department.

5c Toilet Soaps..... 1c
15c Superior Silver Polish..... 2c
25c Celluloid Soap Boxes..... 9c
5c Hand Scrubs..... 2c
15c Size Ammonia..... 4c
5c Toilet Paper..... 2c
10c Toilet Sponges..... 4c
10c Tooth Brushes..... 4c
25c Hair Brushes..... 7c
25c French's Bay Rum..... 7c
25c St. Augustine Florida Water..... 9c
18c Howell's Witch Hazel..... 12c
10c Park's best Borax..... 5c
15c Porzoni's Complexion Powder..... 7c
5c Vaseline..... 3c
25c Extracts, bottle..... 5c
25c Shaving Brushes..... 9c
10c Smoothing Salts..... 7c
14c Woodworth's best Extracts..... 9c

Jewelry.

25c Wrist Bags..... 12c
25c and 50c Rings—all jewels..... 10c
25c Sash and Belt Brooches..... 5c
7c and 10c Japanese Fans..... 3c
25c Leather Chatelaine Bags..... 12c
25c Photo Belt Brooches..... 7c
50c Gold, Silver, and Gun Metal Chains..... 12c
25c Kamel Wrist Sets..... 10c
25c Beauty Pins (doz. on card)..... 10c
25c Gold-plated Cuff Pins, pair..... 7c
25c Watch Fobs..... 9c
\$2.00 Cameo Brooches..... 13c
25c Imported Hat Pins..... 2c
25c Imported Brooches..... 3c
25c Imported Porcelain Belt Brooches..... 14c
25c Cuff Links..... 12c
25c Patent Leather Belts..... 14c
25c Collage Pins..... 10c

75c Umbrellas, 39c.

We've put in a lot of Men's and Ladies' 20-in. and 28-in. Gloria Umbrellas—with natural wood handles, that usually sell for 75c, for..... 39c

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Choice 2c yard.

Lawns.

100 pieces Grass Linen Lawn, plain and figured. 100 pieces black and white Lawns. 100 pieces polka dot Lawns. Entire lot worth 10 and 12c per yard; every style and color represented.

Choice 7c yard.

Silks.

Wash Silks that will wash. All colors; also plain white. 100 pieces on center table; 50c per yard is the regular price.

Choice 25c yard.

Shields.

Three styles fine Rubber Dress Shields, light weight, absorbent and stockinet; all sizes; worth 12c to 18c. Not over four pair to one customer.

Choice 7c pair.

Bleached Muslin.

We have selected three of the best known brands, worth 10c per yard. Fruit of the Loom, Lonsdale and Androsceggin; full yard wide cotton.

Choice 7c yard.

Umbrellas.

Choice of fine silk gloria taffeta Black Umbrellas with plain or fancy silver-mounted Dresden handles; 25 and 28-inch sizes; worth \$1.50 to \$2.50 each. Guaranteed to wear.

Choice 98c each.

Laces.

Our assortment of Valenciennes Lace, Beadings, and Insertings, in white or black, are considered the best to be found. Tomorrow our 25c and 30c pieces, full 12 yards in each piece; hundreds of styles.

Choice 19c piece.

Ribbons.

All-silk Baby Ribbon finds high favor with Dainty Fashion for all summer dresses. We have all colors; 50 yards in a spool; worth 50c.

Choice 39c spool.

Vests.

Ladies' Extra Fine White Ribbed Low-neck, No-sleeve Summer Vests; all sizes; worth 12c and 15c each; handsomely finished with ribbon and lace.

Choice 7c each.

Shirt Waists.

White Shirt Waists of fine sheer India linen, trimmed with tucks, embroidery, and lace; the season's best styles; sizes 32 to 44; perfect fitting; \$1.25 values.

Choice 78c each.

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4,500 yards, Light Shirting Prints, also darker percale patterns for dress and wrapper wear; all standard fast color; 5c and 6c goods.

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