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Vital Statistics.

On this basis the following vital statistics are given in the report: Total number of deaths, 5,947, of which 3,259 were white and 2,688 were colored, the latter including all races not white. The death rate of the white people was 16.43, of the colored 30.37 and for all 20.73 for each 1,000 of the population. These figures show a decrease in the death rate from the previous year from 21.83, and from 24.74 in 1892.

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COMPERS' REPORT TO FEDERATION OF LABOR

It Will Deal With Legislation Needed by Labor.

President Compers, of the American Federation of Labor, will make a report at the twenty-second annual convention of the federation in New Orleans, November 13, dealing with the recent anthracite coal strike and the progress of the arbitration. He will request that he be empowered to maintain a larger force to work through the session of Congress for the advancement of organized labor interests.

A plan to make a campaign for the enactment of laws against child labor in Southern cotton mills will be considered. The conditions in Alabama are said to be bad, and the necessity for a child labor law will be urged upon the Legislature of that State this winter.

It is asserted that the convention will express its dissatisfaction with the Child Exclusion law passed at the last session of Congress, and ask a resubmission of the bill favored by the union labor forces last winter.

DR. BELL BURIED IN ROCK CREEK CEMETERY

Relatives From Abroad Unable to Be Present at the Obsequies.

The funeral of Dr. David Charles Bell took place yesterday afternoon. Services were held in his late home, 1521 Thirtieth Street northwest. The Rev. Dr. Frederick B. Howden, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, officiated. At the grave in Rock Creek cemetery the burial service was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Buck, rector of the Rock Creek Episcopal Church, Georgetown.

All the members of the family attended the funeral, except Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell, who are in Nova Scotia; Dr. Theodester Bell and Mrs. Wynne, son and daughter of the deceased, who are in London, and Commander Bell, of the English royal navy. The pallbearers were Dr. J. C. Simpson, Dr. David T. Day, Dr. James F. R. Appleby, of Georgetown; Prof. John Hitz, of the Volta Bureau, Thirtieth and Q Streets; James G. Pritch, John D. Patten, Gilbert Grosvenor and Philip Mauro.

COURT RECORD.

Equity Court No. 1—Justice Hagner—Kings vs. King; trustees authorized to negotiate loan. Sullivan vs. Sullivan; appearance of absent defendant ordered. Woodruff vs. Quesada; H. R. Howenstein appointed trustee to release Herbert vs. Herbert; alimony of \$15 per month awarded. Spelner vs. Sullivan; demurrer overruled. Long vs. Scott; pro confesso against defendant Scott granted. Gregg vs. Nolan; payment of fund into court ordered. Armstrong vs. Ashley; on hearing.

Circuit Court No. 1—Chief Justice Bingham—Wills vs. Atchison; verdict for plaintiff for \$1,600. Fontaine vs. Robbins; jury respited until Monday. Warner vs. Gray et al; fiat on set fa as to Gray.

Circuit Court No. 2—Justice Clabaugh—Kohner vs. Capital Traction Company; verdict for defendant. United States vs. Ewing et al; jury respited until Monday.

Bankruptcy Court—Justice Hagner—In re J. B. Rock Company; order staying proceedings before Justice of the peace. Criminal Court No. 1—Justice Anderson—United States vs. Albert Thompson; jury verdict, guilty.

Criminal Court No. 2—Justice Bernard—Szenzi vs. Faust; verdict for defendant. Wood vs. May; verdict for plaintiff for \$250.

Probate Court—Justice Bernard—Estate of Emma T. Harrington; proof of publication. Estate of George W. Bauer; account passed. Estate of Margaret Thomas; account passed. Estate of George Breitbarth; account passed. In re Charles C. Wright; account passed. Estate of Ada G. Dennis; order of publication. Estate of John Raey; account passed. Estate of William E. Austin; consent filed. In re Charles Hume; order allowing investment. Estate of Kate E. Duffy; will partly proved. Estate of Julia Snead; will dated October 14, 1902, filed. Estate of Kate E. Duffy; consent filed. Estate of Julia P. Bart; inventory filed. Estate of Amelia Barnes; petition for letters of administration filed. Estate of Mary W. Strong; will dated January 22, 1901, filed. Estate of George W. Poe; will admitted to probate and letters of administration granted to Guy E. Padgett, bond \$500. Estate of Sophia L. Little; account passed. Estate of William H. Galt; answer and caveat filed. Estate of Charles H. Smith; petition for probate of will filed. Estate of Joseph P. Hodgson; petition for probate or will filed. Estate of Kate E. Duffy; will fully proved. Estate of Nathaniel McKay; answer to rule to show cause filed by C. C. Cole and H. F. Woodard.

TWO COMMITTED.

Joseph A. Johnson, who is charged with embezzlement, and Vernon Beard, accused of forgery, were yesterday committed to jail to await a hearing. Johnson was formerly employed as a conductor by the Washington Traction and Electric Company.

ASKS FOR DIVORCE.

Mrs. Amelia Maschauer, through her counsel, Douglas & Douglas, filed suit for a limited divorce from George W. Maschauer yesterday on the ground of cruel treatment. They were married in this city in 1877.

HICKEY DISMISSED.

The District Commissioners have directed that Desk Sergeant J. J. Hickey, charged and found guilty of intoxication while on duty, be dismissed from the force. Major Sylvester recommended that such action be taken after receiving the findings of the trial board.

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In the preceding year it was but 1,205. Four thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven samples of milk and 334 samples of cream were analyzed in the past twelve months, while in the year preceding but 776 samples of the former and 59 samples of the latter were tested. The analyses made by the chemical laboratory included four for the Police Department and two for the Coroner, all designed to assist in the detection of crime.

The additional inspectors, one at Leesburg, Va., whose services became available on July 1 last, for the enforcement of the milk and pure food laws, have done much toward establishing the inspection of dairies and dairy farms and the control of the food supply on a satisfactory basis. The remaining

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