

HE'S SEVENTY-EIGHT.

Prince Bismarck Receives Many Congratulations on His Birthday.

Proposed Festivities Postponed Until After Passion Week.

Strong Probabilities of a Compromise on the Army Bill.

Jew Balter Ahlwardt Still Reiterating His Old Scandals.

BERLIN, April 1.—Today is the seventy-eighth anniversary of the birth of Prince Bismarck, and a number of the Berlin newspapers are taking advantage of the occasion to publish congratulatory articles. The National Zeitung says that the widest circles of the German people remember with gratitude and reverence the founder of the empire, and his all unite in the wish that he be long preserved to the nation. A band of the prince's admirers in North Germany assembled in Kiel early this morning, and thence proceeded to Friedrichsruhe to tender their congratulations to the prince. Count Herbert Bismarck and his wife arrived at Friedrichsruhe on Wednesday last from Flume to take part in the celebrations. Among the many presents received by the prince was a splendid album sent by a number of Germans in Costa Rica. This album contains 100 photographs of the beautiful scenery of the little Central American republic. The Bismarck fountain in the market place in Jena, in Saxony-Weimar-Eisenach, was inaugurated today. The fountain is on the spot where Prince Bismarck delivered

Sittmeyer murders was committed on Thursday night in Seabrook, Galicia. A villa occupied by two families of six persons each was entered by eight burglars, every inmate murdered, all portable property of high value was stolen and fire was set to the house. The names of the inmates were Abramovich and Vlicinski. None of the murders have been arrested.

COMPLETES HIS TASK.

M. Melne Selects a New French Cabinet.

PARIS, April 1.—M. Melne has selected the following cabinet: Felix Jules Melne, premier and minister of commerce; M. Charles Dupuy, minister of the interior; M. Jacques L. Trarieux, minister of justice; M. Raymond Poincarre, minister of finance; M. Eugene Spuller, minister of education; M. Francois Viette, minister of public works; Admiral Rieunier, minister of marine and colonies; M. Albert Vuille, minister of agriculture; Gen. Louillon, minister of war; M. Develle, minister of foreign affairs. M. Dupuy formerly held the post of minister of public instruction, now given to Eugene Spuller, the well known writer, who in 1877 held the same office and was minister of foreign affairs in 1889. The new minister of justice, M. Trarieux, is a senator from the Gironde. He was born in 1827. He was for some time a member of department in the ministry of agriculture. The new cabinet is regarded as an advance in the direction of the republic. It was for some time a member of department in the ministry of agriculture. The new cabinet is regarded as an advance in the direction of the republic. It was for some time a member of department in the ministry of agriculture.

MARCH WEATHER.

Temperature in the Spring Wheat Region Below Normal.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The mean temperature for the month of March differs but slightly from the normal throughout all agricultural districts east of the Rocky mountains, except in the spring wheat regions of Minnesota and the Dakotas. Over the spring wheat region the average temperature was from 5 to 10 degrees below the normal. On the North Pacific coast the temperature for the month was from 3 to 6 degrees lower than usual, while in Northern Montana the deficiency amounted to from 10 to 12 degrees per day. The week ending March 8 and 9 were decidedly colder than usual throughout the central valleys, including the winter and spring regions, while the week ending March 13 was decidedly warmer than usual over the region named, showing that the winter wheat had been subjected to trying conditions of freezing and thawing, the effect of which it will not be possible to determine until the crop is further advanced. The week ending March 27 was relatively colder throughout the Northwest.

HIS HOPES BLIGHTED.

A Toledo Man Victimized by a Young Widow.

CHICAGO, April 1.—Two men on a bridal trip with the same bride is quite a novelty, even in Chicago. Charles Spence, of Toledo, O., according to his story, is the victim of cheated hopes and blighted anticipations of matrimonial happiness. Wistfully he watched the elevator at the Great Northern last evening, and nearly precipitated a scene when a young woman fashionably attired, cast a look of disdain at him as she passed jauntily out at the Jackson street entrance accompanied by a young man who glanced about nervously. Spence says he is connected with the Milburn Wagon Manufacturing company and the other man is named Morgan, a former clerk in the Jefferson hotel, who is now in Chicago. Spence says Margaret Short, residing on Cherry street with her mother, who opposed a marriage between the daughter and Spence. An elopement to Chicago and a honeymoon to the world's fair grounds was planned, and Spence handed his bride to the train for the express city. She was at the depot all right, but in company with Morgan and practically ignored Spence, who occupied another seat through to Chicago, and at Elmhurst nearly fainted when the lady actually laid her head on Morgan's shoulder and went to sleep. In Chicago, Spence says he was told finally that his affianced and Morgan were wedded in Toledo Saturday. Spence is taking the matter philosophically, and will return to Toledo.

ALEXANDER'S WILL.

Many People Would Like to Know Its Whereabouts.

NEW YORK, April 1.—The Herald says: Where is the will left by millionaire Julius B. Alexander, formerly a member of the Wall street banking house of Andrew Kelly & Alexander, and the owner of a fine residence at Dongan Hills, S. I., who died at the Presbyterian hospital in this city, January 9, from the results of a surgical operation. It is known that he left a will, but the closest search has failed to discover it, and the members of Mr. Alexander's family are now engaged in legal proceedings among themselves because of the failure to find it. Mr. Alexander was a former resident of Louisville, Ky., and before the war had a magnificent plantation near that city. After the war he engaged in large financial undertakings, was instrumental in guiding many Western banks through the troublous financial times following the Rebellion, and at other times acted as receiver for several Western railroads. Mr. Alexander left an estate valued at \$4,000,000.

UNAPPRECIATED.

He could not sing the old songs. His voice was out of trim: And when he tried the new songs They hung him to a limb.

—Washington Star.

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A TEST CASE!

PRINTED INDIA SILKS. Choice of over 100 pieces of Lyons Printed Habutai Silks, Cheney Bros.' Plain and Twilled Printed India Silks, in this season's newest designs; sold everywhere at \$1; our price for Monday and Tuesday, two days only, 67c.

Black Serge Dress Goods. Upon presentation of this coupon at the Black Goods counter Monday we will sell our regular \$1.25 50-in. fine French Black Serge for \$1 a yard.

CLOAK BARGAINS. 75 Ladies' Tailor-Made Reaser Jackets, fine imported Diagonal Cheviot, half-lined with Rhadame; very stylish sleeves and "Fan" back; choice of either Navy or Black; actual cash value \$12.50; special price this week only \$8.85 each.

PICTURE DEPT. 500 Re-Mark Proof ETCHINGS, cheap at 45c; your choice of the lot Monday, not more than one to each purchaser, for 19c.

SCOTCH GINGHAMS. 75 pieces 32-inch Genuine Scotch Gingham, new plaid, delicate colorings; usual retail price, 35c; our special cash price for Monday only, 15c yard.

SILK UMBRELLAS. 300 26-inch Umbrellas, warranted with selected natural buckhorn handles; our regular cash price, \$2.50; special price, \$1.95 Monday only.

SILK HAND-KERCHIEFS. 50 dozen Gentlemen's Fine Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, with fancy printed borders; regular price, 50c; special price Monday (not more than two to each purchaser), 25c each.

1,000 GAS GLOBES. Best quality glass, richly etched, bell crown and tulip shapes; regular prices elsewhere, 75c and \$1; our special price for Monday only, 48c each.

FRENCH SATEENS. 100 pieces Koechlin's French Sateens, light and dark groundings; regular price 35c; special price for three days, only 25c yard.

4-4 MUSLIN. As a special bargain for Monday, we will offer one bale of fine 4-4 Unbleached Muslin, regular price 9c, not more than 10 yards to each purchaser, 6c at 6c yard.

LADIES' VESTS. Ladies' Balbriggan Vests, with low neck and no sleeves, ecru, pink, light blue, salmon or white; our regular cash price is 25c; special price Monday (if you bring this coupon with you), only 15c each.

CLOTHING AND HATS. Conductors' Silk Caps, wire gauze patent frame, only \$1.25 each. Conductors' Badges, gold-embroidered, two gold bands, for only \$1.25.

ROYAL WORCESTER CORSETS. Special bargain in the Corset Department Monday: 25 doz. genuine Royal Worcester "W. C. C." Corsets, sets, fast black, drab or white, regular cash price 75c; special price for Monday only, 50c each.

CHINA MATTING. We import direct from China and Japan all our Mattings, therefore we sell more than any other house in the Northwest. Last week we sold 200 rolls of 20c matting for 13c. This week all our 30c, 40c and 50c Linen-Warp Mattings will be 25c a yard by the roll of 40 yards, or 30c a yard cut any quantity you may want.

SILK HOSE. Ladies' black pure fiber Silk Stockings, with extra long, high-spliced heels and double toes; the regular \$3 quality; special price Monday (if you bring this coupon with you), only \$1.65 a pair.

WALL PAPER. This week we will sell a number of choice patterns of EMBOSSED GILT Wall Paper, worth 15c and 18c, for 12 1/2c roll. These papers have 9-inch embossed borders to match, and are particularly appropriate for sitting rooms, where a rich effect combined with durability is desired.

EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS. 100 dozen Ladies' St. Gall and Belfast Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, manufacturers' odds and ends, worth 20c, 25c and 35c, put up in lots of six; special price while they last, \$1 for six.

MILLINERY DEPT. We receive the very latest Pattern Hats and Bonnets direct from the fashion centers every Monday morning. Ladies who appreciate the highest art in Millinery and the best qualities should not fail to visit this department.

SPECIAL FOR MONDAY. 50 dozen fine Milan, Fancy Braid and Chip Hats, finest made, worth \$2.75 and \$3.50. Special price Monday—one day only—\$1.98 each.

BOOK BARGAINS. "The Beautiful Land of Nod," by Ella Wheeler Wilcox; regular price, \$1.50; our price this week, \$1.18. Ella Wheeler Wilcox's "Poems of Passion" and "Poems of Pleasure"; regular price, \$1; our price this week, 75c.

NIGHT GOWNS. Monday we will offer two special lots of Ladies' Night Gowns as follows: 10 doz. Muslin Mother Hubbard Gowns, with colored embroidery and sailor collar; 15 doz. Muslin Gowns, with surplice yoke of tucks and hemstitching; regular price of each, \$1.00; special price Monday (not more than two to each purchaser), 75c each.

CURTAINS. Upon presentation of this coupon Monday or Tuesday, we will sell to the holder thereof any of our fine Irish Point or Brussels Point Lace Curtains, usually sold at \$14.50, \$15.75, \$16.50, \$17.50 and up to \$19.75 per pair, for only \$12.50 per pair.

4 SPECIAL BARGAINS IN THE FANCY GOODS DEPARTMENT. 72-inch Stamped Linen Scarfs, with knotted fringe, for bureau or side-board, only 23c. Stamped Linen Tray Cloths, size 20x30 inches, hemstitched, only 23c. Stamped Covers, 18 inches square, for cut-out work, only 10c. Stamped Monie Linen Splashes, extra large size, only 17c.

TRAVELING BAGS. Columbian Traveling Bags, best in the market, made of Grain Leather, all one piece, with best English leather-covered frame, leather lining and nickel-plated trimmings; special prices for this week:

Trimmings. Colored bead edge, all colors; regular price, 43c; special price for Monday and Tuesday, only 25c yard.

FRINGED TABLE CLOTHS. 30 All-Linen Bleached Damask fringed Table Cloths, 2 1/2 and 3 yards long; our regular cash price is \$2.25; special price Monday (if you cut this out and bring it with you), only \$1.39 each.

RUGS. On Monday, for one day only, 500 Smyrna Rugs will be sold EXTRA HEAVY on our carpet floor at 30-in. x 60-in. \$1.95; usual price, \$3.00. You have seen Smyrna Rugs advertised at this price before, but never have you had the opportunity to get such a choice of new patterns and heavy-weight Rug \$1.95 at \$1.95.

BABY CARRIAGES. 15 Baby Carriages, with Bamboo body, upholstered in Spun Silk Plush, with Satin Parasol edged with Linen Lace; our regular cash price is \$12.75; special price \$9.98 for Monday, \$9.98 each.

DRESS GOODS. 50 pieces Fancy Novelty Diagonals, 40 inches wide, in all the new spring shades; cost 35c to import; regular retail price 50c; our cash price for this week, only 25c yard.

PEARS' SOAP. Upon presentation of this coupon at our Drug Department Monday we will sell you three cakes of Pears' Unscented Soap at 8c a cake.

HOUSE-FURNISHING DEPT. Special prices for Monday—one day only: 5,000 boxes Hardwood Toothpicks, only 2c box. 5,000 pkgs. Shelf Paper at only 2c pkg.

40-POUND ALL-HAIR MATTRESSES. Cut This Out—Mail it or bring it with you next Monday or Tuesday. We sell 40-pound all-hair Mattresses, made to order, of best Conestoga Tickings, to fit full-size, three-quarter, or folding beds. Remember, cut this out, bring it with you. Our regular cash price is \$11.75. Monday and Tuesday, \$8.45 only \$8.45.

DRESS GOODS. 50 pieces 54-inch Scotch Cheviots and English Suitings, in handsome new weaves; regular price \$1.00 and \$1.25; Monday—one day only—68c yard.

GOLD RINGS. Cut this out and bring it with you tomorrow and we will sell you a Child's Solid Gold Ring, with Turquoise setting, regular price 50c, for only 19c.

BASKETS. Monday we will offer in our Basket Department 20 cases of regular 75c Waste Paper Baskets; our special cash price, 39c for one day only.

LAMP DEPT. elegant Ruby or Pink Globe and Solid Brass Trimmings, complete with burner and chimney, only \$1.25.

LACES. 50 pieces Point d'Irlande Unbleached Crash, regular price 10c; not more than 20 yds 6c; special price Monday, only 16c yard.

A BARGAIN IN CRASH. 17-inch All-Linen Unbleached Crash, regular price 10c; not more than 20 yds 6c; to each purchaser, Monday at 6 1/2c yd.

Slaughtered by Burglars. LONDON, April 1.—The worst crime recorded in Austria since the atrocious