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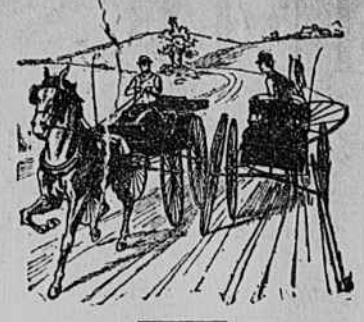
The slag sidewalk on the north side of Kirk avenue, from Commerce to Henry street, is a good improvement and will prove a source of comfort and convenience to the public. Wherever tried sidewalks of slag and sand seem to give general satisfaction, and as the materials are comparitively cheap and easily accessible, they might be used with benefit and economy in many parts of the city.

Some of the Red Men in the Indian Territory are showing a warlike spirit and orders have been issued by the Secretary of War for detachments of United States soldiers to be sent at once to the points threatened. The noble Red Man has cost this country a vast amount of blood and treasure and he is likely to continue for some time to come a thorn in the flesh of this great republic.

The refusal of the Chicago Federation of Labor to join in a demonstration in the memory of the anarchists executed for the Haymarket massacre shows that the great majority of the laboring men of that city and of the country generally have no sympathy with that class of revolutionists. In this country since the foundation of the government the ballot has been found sufficient to remedy existing evils; but even should this fail there is the last resort of open and honorable revolution without recourse to assassination by the most cruel and blood-thirsty methods

W. J. Futch, the United States soldier who deserted his post at Fort McPherson, Ga., to visit his mother, who he heard was going blind at Savannah, will no doubt have to suffer for his lapse of duty, but there are extenuating circumstances in his case which appeal to all sons who love their mothers or the memory of what they were to them, and it is hoped while the enforcement of the proper discipline will require a certain amount of punishment in his case, that the quality of mercy will not be entirely lacking.

The all-absorbing question in regard to Cuba is as to the course of the new Spanish cabinet in regard to autonomy and what effect it will have on the policy of the leaders of the Cuban revolution. Senor Sagasta, the liberal Spanish premier, says his party is prepared to grant to the island all possible self-government, a bread tariff, and every concession compatible with an inflexible defense of Spanish rule and sovereignty in the West Indies, but will not assent to foreign interference in any shape. All of the Cuban leaders in the United States reject the proposals of autonomy for the people of the island; but are willing to guarantee Spain an indemnity of $200,000,000 for the acknowledgement of the independence of Cuba. As no party in Spain could accept such a proposition it looks very much like the end of the revolution was not yet in sight.



Should the wonderful yield of gold in the Klondike region continue a railroad will soon be constructed from some point on the Canadian Pacific to Dawson City. The construction of such a road in the opinion of Canadian engineers who have been over the ground will not be as difficult or expensive as many suppose. It is said that two surveys are now being made from different points on the Canadian Pacific railroad to Dawson City, one by a private corporation and the other by the Dominion government, and it is asserted by the advocates of the undertaking that it will be necessary to build only ninety miles of railroad to make a good rail and water route to the center of the gold fields. The railroad can be operated the year round, but during the winter months the water route will, of course, be nearly all ice. The total length of the route will be about 600 miles

THE NEW YORK MAYORALTY.

The contest for the mayoralty of Greater New York grows in interest. Four candidates are already in the field, and the people of the metropolis are manifesting a degee of interest greater, so far as they are concerned, than they would in a national campaign. As the new government of the consolidated cities will control an immense amount of patronage in the way of offices and other things, the contest for supremacy will be a hot one. Just at this time it is hard to predict what party or faction will be successful. Two candidates claim to be Republican and two call themselves Democrats, while the regular organizations of the two parties say they have each only one candidate in the field, Chief Justice Robert A. Van Wyck being the nominee of the Tammany Democracy and General B. F. Tracy the candidate of the straight or Platt Republicans, and Henry George, the single tax advocate, has been nominated by what is called the United Democracy, and Seth Low, the president of Columbia College, is the nominee of the Citizens' Union. Mr. George claims to be a Democrat, but some of his views are too advanced to be wholly acceptable to all members of that party, and while President Low claims to be a Republican many of the latter proncunce him to be a mugwump and disorganizer. It is thought by some as the campaign progresses that the contest will narrow down to two candidates, but who they will be is difficult to determine at this stage of the political game.

FALSE SENTIMENTALITY.

T. H. Loftin, the negro appointed postmaster at Hogansville, Georgia, has concluded, so the dispatches state, to accept a place under the government at Washington and not take any more risks connected with holding a position to which the white people of the community object. He says he is willing to stay at Hogansville and fight it out; but he believes at the same time that he will be killed, and as his friends coincide in this latter view it is said the administration will provide a place for him in Washington, but will prosecute his assailants to the fullest extent of the law.

We are not in favor of the method alleged to have been pursued by the people of Hogansville to rid themselves of an objectionable Federal office holder; but, as every community should have a voice in the selection of its postmaster, we are not prepared to say that the white citizens of Hogansville, who no doubt contributed most largely to the support of the postoffice, had no rights in the premises. The lesson of this unfortunate affair, however, is this, that in appointing negroes to important Federal positions in the South the present Republican administration is making a mistake, which, if persisted in, will not only drive every self-respecting Southern white man into the Democratic party, but in the end may result in thoroughly alienating the South and the North.

There has never been a time in the history of the United States when the South was more loyal to the Union than it is now, but sections, like individuals, when insults are added to injuries, are sure in the estimate of their wrongs to include the old ones as well as those of more recent date, and thus their resentment is intensified. The Republican party cannot afford to ignore the prejudices of the South, unless, relying on the numerical superiority of the North, it hopes to perpetuate its power by arraying one section solidly against the other, and in that case they would be using a two-edged sword which might cut both ways.

The position which this government has assumed as the arbiter of the destinies of this continent would be a most ridiculous assumption without a country thoroughly homogeneous in sentiment and aspiration. Even now Europe is beoming alarmed at the growing power of this country and its claims in regard to this hemisphere. A coalition of the leading nations there against the United States in the near future is by no means impossible, and, when every man and all its resources might be needed to defend the honor and integrity of this country, the rights of a few negroes to hold Federal offices in the South would pale into utter insignificance even in the minds of those who now profess to love them and would reward them for their votes in helping to secure for their candidate the Republican nomination for President.

Until his recent appointment of negroes to Federal positions in the South President McKinley was looked upon by the white people of this section as honest and comparatively liberal in his views for a Republican; but his recent course, if persisted in, will thoroughly reverse this sentiment, and he will be universally regarded by them as narrow and bigoted. It is hoped however, that the administration will awake to the folly of such a policy, and, while insisting on absolute justice to all classes and conditions of men in all sections of the Union, will have the sense to see that in ignoring the prejudices of the intelligent people of this section under the plea of a false sentimentality it is pursuing a course founded on neither right nor justice.

The graceful, pretty and refined comedienne, Miss Louise Sanford, known to theater-goers from Maine to California, is one of the features of James B. Mackie's latest comedy, "Little Jack Horner," which will appear here Friday night at Academy of Music.

SALEM

EDWARD JETER, REPORTER.

Martin Webb, formerly of Salem, now living near Norfolk, is in the city.

Mrs. Tosh Murray left yesterday for Morristown, Tenn., where she went to visit relatives.

Mrs. Anderson, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Thomas, at Hotel Belmont, left yesterday for her home in Bristol, Tenn.

O. L. Stearnes left yesterday for Petersburg, where he went on business.

Mrs. J. C. Deyerle leaves to-day for Washington D. C., where we learn she will in future reside.

This morning at 9:30 o'clock at the College chapel, Col. L. S. Marye, of Lynchburg, will deliver an address to the students.

James W. Wertz, charged with the seduction of Nannie Huffman, a sister of his wife, and who failed to appear for trial at the September term of the county court, under bond of $700, with his father and wife as bondsmen, came to Salem yesterday noon and gave himself up.

Al Sutherland, of Baltimore, was here yesterday.

Mrs. M. E. Mahone will, we learn, shortly leave Salem for Norfolk, where she will in the future reside.

On Monday night, by the pale light of the moon and the autumn stars, J. A. Finke shot a man on Main street, at the alley way by J. A. Preston's. It was purely an accident and the man was not seriously hurt. For further particulars apply to J. Albert.

Mrs. Sanderson and children, who have been visiting Mrs. Mary Webber, have returned to their home in Newport News.

Miss Ellen Renick has entered as a student the National Business College, where she will perfect herself in the art of stenography.

Miss Jennie Barnitz is attending the annual conference of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, now in session at Covington, Va.

Samuel Gillock has accepted a position as telegraph operator for the Norfolk and Western road at Enos, West Virginia.

Misses Aggie Duke and Sue Littrell have gone to Lynchburg, where they will attend the State convention of the Christian Church, now in session.

Wm. McCauley, formerly clerk of the Roanoke county court, now clerk of the United States court for the Western district of Virginia, is on a visit to his family here.

Do you like good singing? Go and hear the "Review Four" with James B. Mackie's musical comedy, "Little Jack Horner," Friday night at the Academy of Music.

LANGTRY DEMENTED.

Lonodon, Oct. 5.—Edward Langtry, former husband of Mrs. Lily Langtry, the actress, who recently obtained a divorce from him in California and who is said to have privately married Prince Paul Esterhazy, has been found wandering in a demented condition on the railway line near Chester, and will be sent to a lunatic asylum.

WOMEN AND POSTAL BANKS.

Wherever postal savings banks are in operation women are among the most appreciative patrons of the system. As a rule women are more careful of small sums than men, and seem to have a more practical realization of the value of such accumulations. In many families it is only the foresight of the wife that leads to provisions being made against a day of adversity. The desire of women more generally than of men is for a place of absolute safety for their small savings rather than high rates of interest. Consequently they are especially appreciative of the stability which the postal savings bank affords. Probably congress could do no other one thing that would so commend it to the women of the country as would the establishment of a postal savings bank system.—Chicago Record.

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FATAL SHOOTING.

Newport News, Va., Oct. 5.—W. H. Gallope, a well known citizen of Phoebus, was shot at that place this evening by Harris Foreman, an inmate of the Soldiers' Home. The wounded man died at 10:30 o'clock.

THE BRITISH WANT IT.

Lonon, Oct. 5.—The Daily Chronicle this morning publishes under reserve a sensational report that a strong London syndicate has sent the United States government through General Osborn an offer to purchase the Union Pacific railroad.

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