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## MONEY ORDER ACCOUNTS.

Report of the New System Adopted Submitted to the Postmaster General.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Auditor Castle, of the Post Office Department, has submitted to the postmaster general and to the Treasury Department the result of one month's work in examining postmasters' money order accounts made under the system in use for three years prior to January 1 last. Under that system the sub or coupon on the orders was used to check the accounts, but, owing to the great number of mistakes that were daily made in cutting the irregular marginal edge and for other reasons, the auditor believed there was ground for fraudulent practices on the part of postmasters.

The new practice put into effect was to check the accounts against the amount found to have been actually paid out by the paying office. The auditor says the mistakes and discrepancies discovered in the examination of probably 2,500,000 orders justify the department in making the change put into effect about a month ago. He declines to say whether any cases of fraud in addition to something over \$200 already reported were discovered, but says there were some suspicious cases unearthed.

Beautiful colors in Crepe Paper for Lamp Shades at Caldwell-Sites Co.

## NON-INTERVENTION DEMANDED.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The Senate, after discussion various routine matters to-day, took up and passed the agricultural appropriation bill.

Mr. White, of California, introduced the following joint resolution: "That of right it belongs wholly to the people of the Hawaiian Islands to establish and maintain their own form of government and domestic polity; that the United States ought in no wise to interfere therewith, and that any intervention in the political affairs of those islands by any other government will be regarded as an act unfriendly to the United States."

## WANAMAKER AGAINST QUAY.

Philadelphia, Feb. 3.—A conference of business men from all over the State met this evening, under the auspices of the Business Men's League in this city, and resolved to request John Wanamaker to become a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, as against the candidate endorsed by United States Senator Quay. Vigorous anti-Quay resolutions were adopted.

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## KEEPING THE BALL ROLLING.

### Silver Men in Congress Will Give the Republicans Trouble.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The free silver men in Congress are not satisfied with the demonstrations of their strength in the Senate and their lack of it in the House as involved in the votes upon the Teller resolution and are preparing for a second test. It is now said to be their policy to report a bill or joint resolution from the Senate finance committee providing for the coinage of the silver signiorate in the Treasury. They know they can pass such a measure in the Senate and also that it will be quickly strangled in the House. Still, they seem determined to keep the silver ball rolling. They are delighted at having caused the Republicans in the Senate and House some embarrassment by forcing them to face the issue involved in the Teller resolution. They think this is very good politics and they intended to try it again. The Republican leaders pretend to say that free silver men are hanging themselves with their own rope by keeping up the silver agitation, but they are uneasy nevertheless for fear of another silver contest.

## COURT OF APPEALS.

### Opinions Handed Down at Richmond Yesterday.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 3.—The following opinions were handed down this morning in the court of appeals: **Banner et als vs. Minneapolis Improvement Company.** Circuit court of Russell county. Appeal and supersedeas. Bond \$8,000. **Iron Belt and Loan Association et als. vs. Groves et als.** Circuit court of Pulaski county. Appeal allowed. Bond \$200. **Buck et als. vs. Ward et als.** Circuit court of Smyth county. Appeal and supersedeas. Bond \$500. **Liberty Savings Bank vs. Otter View Land Company.** Circuit court of Bedford county. Appeal and supersedeas. Bond \$200.

## OUR FRUITS BARRED.

### Stringent Regulations in Force by the Prussian Government.

Berlin, Feb. 3.—The Prussian minister of finance, Dr. Milquel, issued a decree yesterday, which goes into effect immediately, prohibiting the importation of every kind of American fresh fruit. This decree has been sent to all the German ports and frontier stations, excepting Bavaria, Saxony and Wurtemberg. The United States embassy was not previously warned and the United States Ambassador, Andrew D. White, sent a formal letter to the foreign office to-day, inquiring upon what authority this municipal step was taken.

The United States consul at Hamburg, Dr. Hugh Pitcairn, telegraphed that 16,000 barrels of American apples have been forbidden to be unloaded, and that two trainful of American fruit have been also forbidden to cross the frontier at Emmerich, which, aside from Hamburg, is the principal place of entry for American fruit.

On receipt of this news Mr. White sent a second stronger remonstrance to the foreign office, calling attention to the evident violation of the treaty.

At the foreign office it was learned that the Prussian government prohibits the entry of American fruit on sanitary grounds, claiming that California and other vermin threaten German trees and fruit.

## ADVERSE TO THE RAILROADS.

### Important Decision by Judge Sevens in a Discriminating Rate Case.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 3.—In the case of the Interstate Commerce Commission vs. the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad and sixteen other roads, United States Judge Sevens delivered his decision to-day. The decision was adverse to the railroads, and a complete victory for the commission and the city of Chattanooga. An order was issued requiring the railroads to at once make Chattanooga's rates the same as those to Nashville. The judge held that the evidence showed that the interstate commerce act had been violated in many ways, and that Chattanooga had been grossly discriminated against.

## AMERICAN DIPLOMAT ATTACKED.

### Assault by Japanese on Mr. Sands, Secretary of Korean Legation.

San Francisco, Feb. 3.—The steamer Rio de Janeiro, which arrived to-day from Hongkong and Yokohama brought the news that Mr. Sands, secretary of the United States legation at Seoul, was assaulted by a gang of five or six Japanese coolies at Nagasaki, on "New Year's" day, while walking alone. No reason is known for the assault, and the matter is being investigated by the local authorities.

## SOME TESTIMONIALS.

What some of Roanoke's best people think of Aetna Lithia Water. St. Clair, Grocers: I have been a constant user of the Aetna Lithia Water for several months and regard it as the best water on the market.

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## MR. DINGLEY'S HAT.

### The Protectionist Explains Why it Has a London Stamp.

Washington, Feb. 3.—To-day's session of the House was devoted nominally to a consideration of the bill making appropriations for coast defenses and fortifications. The debate was about equally divided between it and the perennial subject of returning prosperity.

In course of the afternoon Mr. Simpson had fun with Mr. Dingley for wearing a hat stamped "London," which, taking him seriously, Mr. Dingley explained amid much laughter, was put in their hats by American manufacturers because many "dudes" wouldn't wear a tile that did not purport to have been made in that city.

Efforts by New York Congressmen to secure appropriations for Romer Shoals and Fort Montgomery on Lake Champlain were unavailing.

When the committee came to act under the five minute rule, Mr. Livingston, of Georgia, warned the committee that a reduction from the department's estimates made in the bill would not be satisfactory to the country that the people are disturbed over existing conditions and demand that the defenseless ports in the South be fortified.

## RICH STRIKE OF SILVER.

### Discovery of a Phenomenal Vein 100 Miles South of El Paso.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 3.—Mining men in this city are excited over a phenomenally rich silver deposit discovered the other day on the line of the Rio Grande, Sierra Madre and Pacific railroad in old Mexico, about 100 miles from El Paso. Francisco Conrado, of this city, discovered the deposit three miles from the railroad track, where it had been trapped over for months unworked by railroad men. Conrado brought samples of the ore to this city, which assayed 26,000 ounces of silver to the ton.

## FOUR VIRGINIA MARRIAGES.

Norfolk, Feb. 3.—Miss Winifred Wright Bonney, daughter of Mr. C. M. Bonney, of Norfolk, and Mr. W. V. Davis, of Savannah, Ga., were married this afternoon at the residence of the bride.

Lexington, Va., Feb. 3.—Miss Eva Hickman, daughter of Mr. Louis Hickman, of Denmark, and Rev. James B. Hood, of Newberry, S. C., were married at the bride's home this morning. Rev. D. P. Neall officiated.

Richmond, Feb. 3.—Mr. James R. Cox, a prominent young man of Middlesex, and Miss Emma D. Peel, of this city, were married by Rev. Dr. Mercer this afternoon at the bride's home, on West Clay street.

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 3.—Mr. B. Powell, of Emporia, Greensville county, and Miss Lucy J. Mason, of Sussex county, were married this afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents. Rev. R. H. Younger officiated. The groom is a prominent business man of Greenville county, and the bride is the attractive daughter of Dr. John R. Mason.

## AN INSANE MAN'S WORK.

Fort Smith, Ark., Feb. 3.—Last night at a point seven miles north of Mulberry, Franklin county, Arkansas, six people met a horrible death at the hands of a supposedly insane man. Sol. Antry, a married man, aged 30, rushed into the house of his father, who lived near his son, and without a word of warning killed a boy who was in bed, and then turned upon his father and step-mother who were sitting by the fire. Before either could raise a hand in defence he had killed them to the floor. The instrument used was a heavy iron poker which he took with him to the house. When arrested he told the officers he had also killed his wife and two children before he went to his father's house. The officers investigated, but no trace of Mrs. Antry and children were found. There is no question but that he killed them, and it is believed he had the bodies. He will not tell any more. No other reason than that he is insane has been given.

## GROUND HOG LEGISLATION.

Richmond, Feb. 3.—Some wag yesterday handed up to the clerk's desk in the House a bill to incorporate all ground-hog holes in Virginia, and to compel ground-hogs, under penalty of death, to remain in their holes until after 6 p. m. on February 2d each year hereafter. The bill states that its enactment is absolutely necessary for the purpose of retrenchment and reform.

## CHILD BURNED TO DEATH.

Lexington, Va., Feb. 3.—A 5-year-old daughter of Mr. J. R. Fox, of this place, while alone had her clothing to catch fire from an open stove and was burned with fatal results before assistance could be rendered.

Business College night school opens hereafter at 7:15.

## NICE CLEAN

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## THE KNIFE CUTS DEEP.

### Retrenchment Committee Makes a Report to the Senate.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 3.—The house committee to-day reported unanimously against the bill proposing the new county of Tyler, composed of parts of Montgomery, Pulaski, Floyd and Giles counties.

Senator Barksdale's special retrenchment committee reported to-day in favor of cutting the appropriation for the University of Virginia \$10,000; William and Mary College, \$7,500; the Staunton Hospital, \$15,000; Williamsburg Hospital, \$10,000; Merion Hospital, \$5,000; Virginia Military Institute, \$10,000. The report abolishes the appropriation of \$5,000 to the Medical College and also abolishes the positions of register of the land office and the commissioner of agriculture. Blacksburg College was untouched. The report recommends the transfer of the agricultural department to Blacksburg.

## MONTGOMERY ALSO GOING TO CUBA.

### She Will Stop at Matanzas and Santiago and Proceed South.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The Navy Department announces that the cruiser Montgomery will sail to-day from Key West for Matanzas, as the first port of call in Cuba. Thence the Montgomery will proceed to Santiago, another Cuban port, and after visiting some other points on the coast of Cuba will sail for the coast of South America, perhaps extending the cruise as far south as Rio where she may join the South Atlantic squadron. Other cruisers and gunboats probably will follow the course of the Montgomery generally from time to time, so that the United States flag will be seen oftener in the future in the waters south of us than it has been for many years past. For this purpose the small gunboats recently added to the navy, originally for service in Chinese waters, are said to be admirably adapted, and they will be used freely.

The details of the cruise of the Brooklyn, so far as arranged at the Navy Department, provide for visits by the ship to the following ports in the West Indies and the Caribbean Sea, in the order named: St. Thomas, Santa Cruz, St. Lucia, La Guayra, Port of Cabello, Curacao, Savannah and Colon. At this point on the Isthmus of Panama, the ship will receive orders for her further guidance. The gunboat Nashville arrived at Key West to-day from Port Royal, S. C., and the North Atlantic squadron will make good the numerical loss that it would have sustained by the failure of the Brooklyn to join, as originally intended.

## QUO VADIS 25c, at Caldwell-Sites Co.

## NAMED IN A TRUST DEED.

Joseph Jefferson and Lotta Jointly Interested in a Chicago Estate.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—A trust deed for \$51,608.48, in which two persons famous in the theatrical world figure, Joseph Jefferson and Lotta, was filed for record to-day. The deed was given by Harriet G. McVicker, widow of J. H. McVicker, the theatrical manager, to George A. Follanslee, as trustee, and Michael D. Follanslee, successor in trust, and is dated January 17, 1898. The beneficiaries under the trust are Joseph Jefferson, to whom the grantor is indebted in the sum of \$10,000, secured by two promissory notes for \$5,000 each. Lotta M. Crabtree, better known as "Lotta," is the holder of two promissory notes of \$20,000 each. A third beneficiary is Elva A. Brooks, who holds two promissory notes aggregating \$1,668.48, also bearing 5 per cent. interest, payable in five years. The property given in trust is the old homestead of the McVicker family on Wabash avenue, 160 feet north of Peck court with east front 80 feet by 165 feet.

## WANTED FOR JURY DUTY.

### Senator Hanna's Son Likely to be Defendant in Contempt Proceedings.

Cleveland, Feb. 3.—Young Dan R. Hanna, only son of the Senator, was threatened by Judge DeLough with attachment for contempt of court to-day. Mr. Hanna was drawn on a jury at the opening of the present term. He pleaded to be excused, and was allowed to go on the understanding that he would turn up again February 1. The appointed date came, but Dan didn't. This morning, as soon as court opened, the judge inquired if Mr. Hanna was present. Mr. Hanna's name was called but there was no response.

## SLAPPED THE MAYOR'S FACE.

### Means Adopted by a Trenton Councilman to Express His Disapproval.

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 3.—Mayor Wellington G. Sichel was slapped in the face in the Trenton House grill-room last night by Councilman William H. Baker. Immediately after striking the mayor Baker left the room. The assault is believed to be the outcome of some very bitter feeling engendered by a fight in common council between the Trenton Gas Light Company, now in existence, and the People's Gas Improvement Company, which is seeking a franchise. The mayor has taken an active interest in behalf of the new company, while Councilman Baker is the principal champion of the old company.

## A SAD EVENT.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 3.—James Wilson and John Moore, students at the Academy, engaged in a fight to-day. Principal Phillips went to separate them. Wilson was armed with a club. Wilson turned on the professor. Phillips grabbed a baseball bat and in self defense struck Wilson as he approached him. Wilson was knocked senseless and died few hours later.

## THE OFFICIAL MAP.

### Council Committee Decides Against a Further Appropriation.

There was a meeting of the map committee held Wednesday night in the office of Clerk W. E. Thomas and the following members of the committee were present: Chairman James P. Woods, R. A. Buck, Mr. Dr. W. Hodgson and Levi Witt.

Chairman Woods was in favor of taking some action, but after a somewhat lengthy debate it was decided not to make any majority report to the Council on the subject.

A motion to appropriate \$800 to enable City Engineer Wingate to estimate the amount needed to complete the map was lost.

It is understood that Chairman Woods will very likely make a minority report to Council.

The following is a copy of section 1014 of the Code of Virginia under which the map was first started:

"The council of every city and town shall (unless it has already been done) cause to be made a survey and plan of such city or town, showing distinctly each lot, public street and alley therein, the size and number of the lots and the widths of the streets and alleys, with such explanations or remarks as they may deem proper. The said plan, when approved by the Council, shall be entered in some one of their books and afterwards recorded, in the case of a city, in the clerk's office of the corporation or hustings court of such city and in case of a town in the clerk's office of the court of the county in which said town or the greater part thereof is, and when so recorded shall remain in said office. Said plan shall be evidence of the boundaries of the said lots, streets and alleys."

In 1889 a resolution was adopted by the City Council reciting that the court required a map of the city made in accordance with the above quoted section and a special committee was appointed for that purpose. In 1890 Council determined that the map should be made and \$15,000 was voted for that purpose by freeholders and bonds were issued for that amount. When that sum had been exhausted City Engineer Dunlap asked Council for more money, which was allowed from time to time until over \$31,000 had been expended for that purpose.

When the present city engineer was elected he, more than two years ago, made a report as to condition of the map work and the necessity for further appropriation in order to complete the work. Several weeks ago the map committee called for the opinion of the city solicitor as to the correctness of certain work heretofore done in mapping lots and the opinion of the city solicitor was adverse to the work so done.

At present matters are at a standstill and until the map is completed there are no official monuments of boundaries and no official designation of courses of streets and alleys and in the meantime whilst the city has none of the advantages of a city map, the taxpayers are paying interest on the city map bonds at the rate of \$800 per annum.

## BOWDEN WAS CONFIRMED.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The Senate to-day confirmed the nomination of George E. Bowden to be collector of customs for Norfolk, Va.

## "YON YONSON" DEAD.

Cleveland, Feb. 3.—Gus J. Huggie, the actor known the country over as "Yon Yonson," died at his home in this city to-day. He was 36 years of age.

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETS.

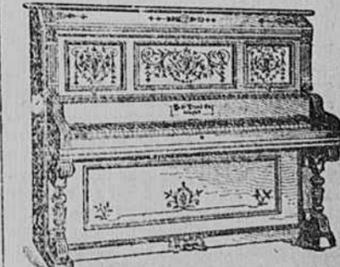
The city school board held a meeting last night at the National Exchange Bank and selected sites for school buildings in the First and Fifth wards. The site selected for the First ward building is the Clayton lot fronting 200 feet on Campbell avenue and running back on A street 320 feet, price \$1,600. The site for the Fifth ward building is the lot on the north-west corner of Third avenue and Eighth street, size 130 by 400 feet; price \$1,600. It was decided that before the lots were purchased the titles should be carefully examined and abstracts made. It was also declared expedient to construct an addition to the Gilmer avenue school building at a cost approximating \$3,000. Steps were taken to secure plans for each of the buildings, and a meeting will be held on next Friday night for the purpose of adopting plans. It was estimated that each of the new buildings in the First and Fifth wards could be built for at least \$9,000 each. The board will visit the Monroe public school in Lynchburg on next Friday for the purpose of examining the sanitary and heating arrangements in use there. No steps were taken in regard to a high school building, that matter being left open for future consideration. It is very probable that the board will be able to let the new buildings to contract in a few weeks.

## THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Virginia: Generally fair warmer; southerly winds.

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