

Rain or Snow.

Thomas Jefferson, born April 2nd, 1743.

He had one pronounced peculiarity—he

Always

Got there. If he were living now, he would probably be the first customer to enter our store today to make his selection

Ahead

Of the others. You have more advantage than he ever had—have you the alertness to seize your opportunities? A new lot of business suits are opened for you this morning—not many of a kind—the new colors are experimental. \$15, \$18 and \$20.

AT THE WHEN

Useful Articles for Invalids.

Refrigerating and Heating Appliances for parlor and street. Carrying Chairs, Wheelchairs, Cane, Strollers and Desiccators, Feeding and Food Cans, Electric Bells, Insulators and Batteries.

W. H. B. ARMSTRONG & CO.,
254 and 256 S. Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.

was yesterday presented with a magnificent loving cup, for which every employee of the Patent Office subscribed.

Special Agent Kemp, of the Civil Service Commission, left yesterday for El Paso, Tex., to assist in the proceedings brought against Collector of Customs Dillon and four subordinate employees at El Paso growing out of alleged violations of civil service laws.

Postmaster General Smith has issued an order establishing a dead letter service for the Territory of Hawaii for the disposition of unclaimed and unmailable matter originating in or reaching the various postoffices in the Hawaiian Islands. The usual return of such matter hereafter will be made to the postmaster at Honolulu, instead of Washington.

The Navy Department has sent orders to Admiral Remy, the commander-in-chief of the naval forces on the Asiatic station, to proceed aboard his flagship, the Brooklyn, to Melbourne, Australia, in time to take part in the exercises commemorative of the opening of the first federal Parliament, from May 6 to May 9 next. It is possible that the New York or the Oregon, en route to and from the Asiatic station, may also be authorized to stop and take part.

Major Abiel L. Smith, commissary United States army, has been temporarily assigned to the commissary general and as disbursing commissary in this city, and has been ordered to Chicago, to be assigned to duty as temporary chief commissary of that department and as purchasing commissary at Chicago, to be assigned to duty as chief commissary of the department of the army, and as Capt. Philip Mottersill, assistant commissary of subsistence, United States Volunteers.

OBITUARY.

William T. Nord, Retired Medical Director of the United States Navy.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Medical Director William T. Nord, of the navy, died here to-night. He held the relative rank of captain on the retired list. His naval service covered a period of nearly forty years. He was born in Kentucky and was about seventy years old. He was a volunteer aid on the staff of General Sherman from the battle of Pittsburg Landing to the evacuation of Corinth, Miss., by General Beauregard. On the steam schooner Pawnee he participated in all the operations against Charleston under Admirals Dupont, Dahlgren and General Gillmore. He was commander medical director on May 7, 1870. He was retired on account of age in 1880.

Henry Gribble.

NEW YORK, April 1.—The Tribune will, to-morrow, say: "Word was received here of the death yesterday (Monday), at San Remo, Italy, of Henry Gribble, Mr. Gribble was, for many years, a business man and broker in New York city. About ten years ago he retired from business here and went to Shanghai, China, as a representative in the oil business for the Standard Oil Company. Recently he suffered severely from throat trouble, and his visit to Italy was for the purpose of consulting a specialist. He was married to a daughter of Alfred Wadstaff, of this city, chief clerk of the Appellate division of the Supreme Court."

Other Deaths.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Col. Thomas B. Rand, a former hotel manager, is dead in this city. He was born in Portsmouth, N. H., in 1820. He was known as an advocate of certain measures to the advantage of hotel men, as, for instance, in the liability of property to the hotel, and in the right of the hotel to the property. During the civil war Col. Rand was the senior captain of the Thirty-third Massachusetts.

SEYMOUR, Ind., April 1.—Thomas Swift, aged sixty-four years, well known in Masonic and Grand Army circles throughout the country, died to-night of pneumonia, after a two weeks' illness. Mr. Swift was a member of Hiram Lodge, No. 21, of Masons, at Winchester, Va., joining the lodge the same night as did President McKinley.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—W. Harry Clarke died here to-night. He was manager of the Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph Company here for some years, and later was engaged in the management of public utility companies. He was employed in the Treasury Department. He enjoyed the friendship and esteem of many public men.

CHICAGO, April 1.—Thomas C. Hammond, former president of the Walker-Oriskany Company and a well-known club man, fell dead on the street to-night a few minutes after leaving his home for an evening walk. About a year ago Mrs. Hammond died suddenly of heart failure in Boston.

LONDON, April 1.—Sir John Stainer, organist, composer and writer on musical topics, is dead. He was born in 1830.

BERLIN, April 1.—Dr. Schlechter, the African traveler and geographer, is dead.

Writer of Juvenile Stories Killed.

ROCKFORD, Ill., April 1.—Jessie Elizabeth Forbes, daughter of A. D. Forbes, a prominent banker of this city, is dead at El Paso, Tex., as the result of an injury received in a fall from her horse. Miss Forbes was a writer of note, some of her juvenile stories being especially well known. She was twenty-eight years of age.

The German consular reports for the last three months, which are slowly coming in, seem to show a decrease of exports throughout Germany to the United States.

Charles Hopkins, a fisherman, was shot dead yesterday by his stepson, John Olin, at Pekin, Ill. The latter was protecting his mother from Hopkins, who was drunk.

A jury at Cincinnati yesterday in a suit by W. W. Thomas against the Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, to recover \$1600 for loss on the burning of his warehouse, returned a verdict for the defendant. This is a test case involving about \$6000 of insurance.

Ross Raymond, alias James E. Sandys, a former newspaper man, who pleaded guilty in New York last week of getting \$20000 from Henry F. Clarke, paying teller of the Lincoln National Bank, on Jan. 28 last, was sentenced to four years' imprisonment yesterday.

Alexander Surtees, a blacksmith, and John Addington, a liverman, were both killed in a street duel at Lake City, Col., yesterday. Each received four wounds. Surtees being shot through the heart after he had fatally wounded Addington. The cause of the fight is unknown.

At New York, yesterday, Alex. Douglas, a janitor, shot and killed his wife and then himself with a revolver. He was thirty months ago and she left him. Of late the man had been in correspondence with her with a view of reconciliation. She went to his room last night and was with him but a short time when the shooting occurred.

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MRS. A. H. FRANCIS AFRAID OF INCRIMINATING HERSELF.

Incident of the Case Against Lawyer Patrick, Who Is Accused of Murdering Millionaire Rice.

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Matter Discussed at a Secret Meeting

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TREASURY STATEMENTS

DECREASE OF \$18,765,593 IN THE PUBLIC DEBT LAST MONTH.

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