

THE DAILY NEWS.

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HAVING THE LARGEST CIRCULATION IN THE CITY OF CHARLESTON, PUBLISHES THE LIST OF LETTERS REMAINING IN THE POSTOFFICE AT THE END OF A WEEK, ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW POSTOFFICE LAW.

MATTERS.

MEETINGS THIS DAY.

Palmetto Encampment, at 8 P. M. Charleston Ladies' Association, at 8 P. M. Mechanic's Union, No. 1, at 8 P. M. Hook and Ladder, No. 2, at 8 P. M. Marion Fire Company, at 8 P. M. Charleston Mechanic Society, at 8 P. M.

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

A. H. ALEXANDER & Son will sell at 10 o'clock, at their saleroom, Hayne-street, liquors, dry goods, &c.

KNOX, DALY & CO. will sell at 10 o'clock, at their saleroom, Meeting-street, shoes, hats, clothing, &c.

JOHN PILLSBURY will sell at 11 o'clock, at the Courthouse, a lot of land in Church-street, and a tract of land in St. John's Berkeley.

A. C. McGRILLISTER will sell for the Sheriff at 11 o'clock, at 233 King-street, contents of drug store; and at 12 M., on the premises, Beaumont-street, contents of a bakery.

ROBBED.—Mr. John Fox, reported to have been robbed in the vestibule of the Calder House, was not robbed at that place, but at some other hotel in the city.

THE LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY.—The Savings Bank department of this institution went to operation on Saturday. It will not be for some time before the money deposited in this institution will be employed in Charleston.

SATURDAY CLOSING.—Beginning with this week and continuing during the summer, the prominent stores on King-street will close at 2 P. M. This is a good move, beneficial to the employees and the employers.

THE STATE COURT.—A motion was made by Mr. Corbin in the court for a rule against the respondents in the quo warranto, involving the right to the office of register of mesne conveyances, to show cause why an attachment should not issue for refusing to give up the office. To this Mr. E. McAdry, Jr., for the respondents, pleaded an appeal pending. The argument involving the constitutionality of the act regulating attachments was heard by the court, and the decision rendered.

SALE OF SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—On Saturday last Messrs. Risley & Creighton, importers, disposed of the following amounts of sugar and molasses, being mostly the cargo of the schooner Nellie Carr, from Mayaguez, P. R.: 45 hogheads Porto Rico sugars at 18¢ per cent.; 22 puncheons Porto Rico molasses at 72¢ per cent.; 20 puncheons Porto Rico molasses at 67¢ per cent.; 45 puncheons Porto Rico molasses at 66¢ per cent.; 15 puncheons Porto Rico molasses at 65¢ per cent.; 40 hogheads Muscovado molasses at 48¢ per cent.; 60 hogheads clayed molasses at 45¢ per cent.

THE BALTIMORE STEAMER.—The swift steamship Maryland sailed for Baltimore late Saturday afternoon with a very large cargo, consisting of over 1500 packages of cotton, rice, roses, clay, early vegetables, &c., &c. The very reasonable figures of freight on this line continue to attract shippers, and our farmer friends are assured of a steamer every five days, during the trade season, for the dispatch of their surplus products, to Baltimore, Washington City, Wilmington, Del., and Philadelphia, to all of which points through bills of lading are issued and prompt delivery guaranteed by this very popular company.

THE SCHUTZENFEST.—A GALA TIME EXPECTED.—The preparations on foot for the forthcoming German celebration, warrant the opinion that the festival of this year will exceed a variety of amusement and general entertainment, and in beauty of appointment, anything which has occurred at the *Platz* since its existence. The programme which appears in the News shows that extraordinary arrangements have been made to make it interesting to the community generally. On all sides the wish and the determination is expressed by our citizens, irrespective of nationality, to enter into the spirit of the festive occasion. The number of gifts which are pouring into Von Stettens' bazaar, King-street, daily, show the extent of the public interest in the Schutzenfest.

MAY DAY FESTIVAL OF THE SABBATH SCHOOL OF THE SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—At 4 P. M., on Saturday, the scholars of this flourishing Sabbath School assembled in the church to carry out the programme of the day. The opening reflected credit upon the exertions of the conductor of the music, Mr. C. N. Averill, and after prayer by the Rev. Dr. Smythe, the "Song of the Pilgrimage" was sung. The recitations followed were interspersed with singing, led by the fine organ of the church. At the close of the services, the scholars to the number of two hundred were conducted to the mail in front of the church, where the tables had been spread. The feast was a bountiful one, and not the least successful part of the day's proceedings. It was a pleasant feature of the occasion that the large assemblage was increased by visiting friends of other denominations, who also participated in the festivities of the hour.

THE ORPHANS' ENTERTAINMENT.—The following articles were raised at the Orphans' entertainment on Saturday night, viz: Handsome fruit cake, won by T. A. Bonham; one pair vases, H. Pieper; China cup and saucer, J. Martin; mechanical toy (boy), John Knobloch; mechanical toy (girl), John H. Devereux; ornamented fruit cake, Dr. LeRoy; beautiful doll, F. G. Buchheit; fancy toilet set, Miss M. U. Condray; handsome picture, Mrs. Artope; gilt salver castore, Rev. J. O. Schaefer; China tea set, F. B. M.; silver goblet, Phil. Buchheit, Jr.

The ballot-box for the trumpet will close at 10 P. M. to-night, and the committee will count the votes immediately afterwards. The entertainment will be open from 8 P. M. to 12 M. in the evening, when the last opportunity will be afforded to visit the festival. All who can should attend, and thus testify their appreciation of a good work.

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The Episcopal Convention will meet in St. Philip's Church, on Wednesday, the 12th inst., Bishop Davis presiding.

There will be a number of persons confirmed in St. Philip's Church, next Saturday.

President Tupper, of the Phoenix, was taken very ill on Saturday, and was in a critical condition yesterday.

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Mr. Pillsbury, soon after the service of the writ, addressed Mayor Clark a letter, demanding possession of the office. Mayor Clark replied, that after considering the communication he would say, "that whilst it was his desire to hold on Tuesday evening next one more meeting of Council, in order to close up some unfinished business, still, as it was Mr. Pillsbury's desire, he would be ready to turn over at 12 meridian, on Monday (to-day), the possession of the Mayoralty in accordance with the result of the law."

The acting Mayor and the Mayor elect and some others repaired to the Attorney-General's office in the Courthouse, where the outgoing and the incoming buried the hatchet by shaking hands and vowing eternal friendship. Hearsay in consequence of it not being generally known, there were fewer of the faithful than is usual on such momentous occasions gathered around the temple of justice, and these were in no wise enthusiastic. Of course the dusky face of Ethiopia was lit up with a smile, and the features of the Caucasian tinged with a more cerealian hue; but beyond these slight evidences of satisfaction and annoyance, the occasion was unmarked by incident.

To-day, at 12 M., Mr. Pillsbury and his Aldermen will be sworn into office, at the City Hall. To-night there will be a gathering of the friends of the Mayor elect, in front of his residence, in Doughty-street, to compliment him with a *serenade*; beyond this, no other demonstration is expected to take place.

As far as the present city officials are concerned, there will be a clean sweep, and many batches of official heads will be gathered ere many days. The slate has not been definitely announced, but rumor has Major Willoughby for chief of police; Daley and Tatt, lieutenants; Hiley, orderly sergeant, and dominos for privates. General J. B. Dennis, for city treasurer; T. J. Mackey, city inspector; W. B. Etter, chief of council.

In the community the decision of the case has created no outward stir whatever. City stock, however, was dull and may temporarily decline.

REDUCTION OF FARE.—We learn that the fare by the steamer Pilot Boy to Savannah, via Beaufort and Hilton Head, has been reduced from \$8 to \$5. The Pilot Boy is a fine and staunch steamer, and has lately been overhauled. She is said to be one of the fastest boats in Southern waters, and there is only two and a half or three hours of sea passage on the trip. Captain Fock, the commander of the Pilot Boy, is a well-known and experienced officer.

THE SHIP SUEZER.—This ship, which was reported as having run into Tybee on fire, and which received assistance from Savannah, was in the following condition by the latest reports. The Adviser, of Saturday morning, says:

The Board of Survey returned at half-past eleven o'clock last night. We learn that on reaching the ship it was decided not to flood her. The hatches were taken off, and it was discovered that the fire had made considerable headway among the cargo, although there was very little smoke arising from the hold. The work of discharging the entire cargo was immediately commenced. The cargo is taken out and placed on board of a lighter, and that which is on fire is exposed to a stream from the steam fire engine F. B. Barlow. The work of discharging was continued throughout the night, and the entire cargo was taken off the ship by daylight.

The ship was in a bad condition, and many of the bales which were bound with rope were broken open and badly burnt, the ropes being burnt through, while bales bound with iron have escaped.

There is no doubt, but that the entire cargo will be saved, somewhat damaged by fire.

The fire originated under the main hatch and took a downward course, burning through the hold deck, and toward the forward part of the vessel. The main deck, which is about four inches in thickness, was burnt in some places to within an inch of the top.

THE SALE OF THE SUEZER.—The sale of the ship is postponed until to-morrow, 4th instant, at 12 M. See advertisement in another column.

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The STORM.—On Saturday night, about ten o'clock, a violent storm of wind arose and swept over the city, blowing down a number of fences and trees, and snapping them off their branches and foliage. The large placard boards in Meeting-street, near Queen, and by the Charleston Hotel, were blown down. The quarantine schooner was carried from her moorings of James Island down to Fort Sumter. The storm continued in violence until ten o'clock yesterday, when it partially subsided, but slightly increased an hour or two afterwards. Later in the afternoon the storm fell and a perfect calm followed. It has been suggested that Old Boreas overdrank himself in honor of the expected installation of Mayor Pillsbury.

REPORTERS' CRUMBS.—There can be seen at THE NEWS office a picture, which on a front view shows the face of Jefferson Davis, and on oblique views General Johnston and Lee. Messrs. J. F. Taylor & Co., machinists, have enclosed a piece of land near their premises in honor of the expected installation of Mayor Pillsbury.

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