

CITY AFFAIRS.

Meetings This Day.

Orange Lodge at 7 P. M.

THE LADIES' MUTUAL AID SOCIETY desires gratefully to acknowledge the receipt of a donation of \$100 from "A Friend," through Mrs. Forrest.

THE STEAMSHIP GEORGIA,—This elegantly appointed passenger steamship arrived at New York early yesterday morning, after a quick passage from this city.

A PILOT DROWNED.—Dean Thompson, a colored pilot on one of the coasting steamers, fell overboard on Saturday, and was drowned before assistance could reach him. The body was recovered and brought to the city.

THE WEATHER REPORT TABLE, to which many readers have just become habituated, has been discontinued until further negotiations, owing to the inability of the chief signal officer and the Western Union Telegraph Company to come to terms as to the rates of compensation.

COTTON FOR GREAT BRITAIN.—The British bark, Celeste, Captain Fullerton, was cleared on Saturday, by Messrs. B. S. Rhett & Sons, for Liverpool, with 45 bags sea island cotton and 1475 bales of upland cotton, tops phosphate rock, and 215 sacks cotton seed cake. Weight, 1,609,213 pounds; value, \$112,679.

WATER-SPOUT OFF FLATTERS.—The steamship Oriental, which arrived at Savannah on Friday last, from Boston, fell in with an immense water-spout when off Flatters. An officer of the ship describes the sight to have been a grand one; many of the old salts on board asserting that it surpassed anything of the kind ever before seen by them, measuring, at a rough estimate, sixty feet in diameter and one hundred feet high.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER.—Michael Gladden, said to be one of the Big Game Church rioters in the late election, was brought before United States Commissioner Parsons, and held to bail in the sum of \$500, to answer at the next term of the United States District Court. Gladden is alleged to have been very active on that occasion in intimidating voters, giving assistance in the removal of the ballot box, and perambulating the streets with the armed crowd who, in their way, got up a small battle on the purity of elections.

A SIGHT TO REMEMBER.—Passengers between Charleston and Augusta are talking about the beautiful sights of the thousands and thousands of peach trees now in full bloom on the celebrated Derby Fruit Farm at Aiken, S. C. More than a mile of them fronts the South Carolina Railroad, and every indication is that this year we will have some of those large famous peaches which the Aiken favor. If our readers will refer to another column, and read Mr. Derby's advertisement, they can readily "see what five dollars will do." "Let us have peace," says Grant. "Let us have peaches," say we.

THE NATIONAL FREEDMAN'S SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY.—Mr. Nathan Ritter, the cashier of the Charleston branch of this institution, announces by advertisement to-day that money deposited before the 30th of March will draw interest from the 1st of March at the rate of six per cent. Heretofore the rate has been but five per cent. The cause of the increase is the general prosperity of the various freedmen's banks in the country. According to the monthly statement, published in Washington, the gain for February was \$31,924, and the corresponding good done to the colored people in enabling them to save money and purchase homes has been great.

GRAND ART EXHIBITION.—The Academy of Music will open to-night with a new attraction, in the shape of a series of views represented through a wonderful stereoscopic, which will give the spectator a correct idea of many of the most noted places and things in Christendom. Paris and the Tuilleries, scenes and localities connected with the Franco-Prussian war, ancient and modern cities, historical buildings, &c., are among the many pictures which will be exhibited. Young folks, especially those who are studying geography and history, will learn more in one evening at the Academy from this display of art, than in a month's reading among the pages of books. The prices fixed are as follows: Parquette and dress circle, 15 cents; family circle, 50 cents; and under 12 years of age, 25 cents. On Wednesday there will be a matinee at half-past 2 o'clock, to which the admission will be 25 cents.

ARRIVAL OF COTTON SHIPS AT LIVERPOOL.—The following cotton ships arrived at Liverpool March 8:

Bark Pericles, from New Orleans January 18, with 3241 bales cotton; ship Ocean Pearl, from New Orleans January 22, with 3487 bales; ship Southampton, from Mobile January 23, with 3393 bales; ship John O. Baker, from Charleston February 3, with 3533 bales; ship Calliope, from Savannah February 5, with 3717 bales; ship Catharine, from New Orleans January 14, with 3250 bales; ship Lake Ontario, from New Orleans February 17, with 3212 bales; ship Rose, from New Orleans January 23, with 2311 bales of cotton; Andrew Jackson, from Mobile January 28, with 3006 bales; Reese S. Generallock, from New Orleans January 29, with 1735 bales; bark Les Bon Fels, from New Orleans January 31, with 705 bales of cotton; ship K. G. Morris, from New Orleans January 31, with 270 bales of cotton; bark Two Alto, from Galveston January 8, with 2205 bales; ship M. Pollock, from New Orleans January 27, with 2580 bales; ship O. E. Southern, from New Orleans February 2, with 3363 bales; bark Bellevue, from New Orleans January 27, with 1822 bales. The ship Lake Ontario, reported as having arrived on Feb. 28, should have been reported as the Ontario, from New York February 10, with 1515 bales cotton.

CRIMES.—The Governor has appointed S. A. Saunders, of Summerville, an honorary public. The new floating dry dock at Savannah, which has been under construction for some time by Captain M. P. Usina and Mr. Francis Marjion Jones, will be completed, it is said, in May next.

It is stated that a number of our citizens will go to Columbia this morning to confer with the Governor on the subject of the troubles in the up-country. Delegates from various parts of the State are expected to be present.

The Charleston members of the Legislature are having a high old time in accounting for their stewardship during the late session. Some of their constituents are inclined to lecture them in a decidedly breezy style.

The funeral of Mr. John Toomer, the boarding officer of this port, was attended by nearly all of the employees of the Customhouse. It is said that his life was insured for \$10,000.

Yesterday was one of the most beautiful days of the year. The churches were well filled, and the spring fashions were displayed in all their glory. From the battery the sea looked like a mass of solid sunshine.

CLUBS AND STARS.—In a criminal point of view, the city has been remarkably quiet for the past week. Thieves have done their business on the most insignificant scale, and vagrants chiefly bear away the palm in putting in frequent appearances before his Honor the Mayor.

Ellis Robinson and Tom Brown were lodged in the Stationhouse as vagrants, and Mary Tracy found quarters at the same caravansary for being a—k and disorderly.

Three or four cases of exceeding top-heaviness and inclination to recline on the pavement also await disposition this morning.

A party, by name unknown, was discovered to be selling fish without official license, and was relieved of his stock in trade, consisting of twelve shrimps, by the proper authorities.

Several persons afflicted with the oh how come-you-are-alive incident to Saturday night and Sunday estimulations, were humanely cared for by the police, and will pay tribute to-day on the altar of Hon. G. F.

Cyrus Mack and Daniel Drayton, colored, for being drunk and disorderly, were furnished quarters at the public expense, and await their lesson in propriety this morning.

Officers Burke and Davis yesterday arrested Paris Eddy, a colored youth, charged with the larceny of seventy-five feet of rope and a coat from a sloop. He is not the first man whose early affection for rope has led him to a halter. Held for examination.

SOLD FOR OLD COPPER.—Audubon's Birds of America (i. e. the plates illustrating his great work, presenting the birds as large as life) have recently been sold in New York for old copper, to be melted up and made into kettles, &c. The announcement will be painful to many who knew something of how these plates were prized by the illustrious naturalist.

BOTTLED UP.—One John Scott visited a bar-room on Saturday and took a drink. While waiting for the change he made love to a decanter of "sky," slipped it under his coat unperceived, and vanished. The liquor being missed, chase was given, the culprit was overhauled, the stolen property recovered, and John awaits the decision of the Mayor this morning.

THE NEW GERMAN CHURCH SPIRE.—The ward committee appointed to collect money for the completion of their beautiful edifice in King street have commenced work, and met with hearty encouragement on all sides. Among other contributions, the Schutzen Club have donated \$100, and Messrs. Walker, Evans & Cogswell have presented one thousand copies of a beautiful imprint of the building as it is to be. Those of our citizens who have not been called upon, and are willing to add a stone towards its completion, will find a subscription paper at this office.

PERSONAL AND THEATRICAL.—Mr. Nat. Levin, Jr., the courteous treasurer of the Academy of Music, having taken charge of the Chapin Sisters Troupe for their agent, left the city with them yesterday. Mr. Levin is a native and old resident of Charleston, and we commend him to the attention of our brothers of the quill and tripod else where. We learn that his predecessor, Mr. Wachtel, has gone to Washington as agent of the celebrated Lydia Thompson Troupe, who may be expected in a few days to display drapery at half-mast for the delight of a Charleston audience.

THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Not since its construction has the Academy of Music been filled with a happier or more youthful audience than assembled Saturday afternoon at the matinee of the Chapin Sisters. By the kindness of Mr. Ford, the orphan children of the various public institutions, including also the colored orphans, attended in a body, and the row of beaming faces fringing the family circle from side to side was a sight pleasant to look upon. These little ones don't favor of this sort shown them every day, and their gratification should be alone enough to add sweetness to Mr. Ford's slumbers for a month of Sundays. Gifts were distributed to all, and a merry time they had of it tooting their horns and adding petting their dolls.

DECASTRO.—A man who can draw a crowded house in the City of Charleston for six successive evenings, and on a Saturday afternoon fill the Hibernian Hall with fifteen hundred ladies and children, must have the elements of success in his composition. An act that success Decastro proposes to repeat during the ensuing week, changing his performance every night, giving away prizes and good things generally, and always keeping anticipation on edge. He must be seen to be appreciated; so must the pretty young lady he magnetizes, and who goes to sleep in the air, resting on nothing but her elbow—a tangible illustration of the manner in which one may "elbow his way through the world"—if one only knows how.

REpetition of the AMATEUR DRAMATIC PERFORMANCES.—At the request of everybody, the ladies and gentlemen who so handsomely acquitted themselves before an immense audience at the Academy of Music, in playing "Married Life," will repeat the performance at the same place on Wednesday of next week. On that occasion, however, there will be an admission fee charged; and the receipts will be appropriated for the benefit of the Israelite street Synagogue. This is the first time that the Israelites of Charleston have ever made an appeal to the public, and we think we may say "that the public will not disappoint them. There is no class of our citizens who are more public spirited, and in time of need, none have made greater sacrifices or more cheerfully given money, blood and energy in a good cause."

THE DEATH OF BISHOP ANDREW.—The memorial exercises announced to take place yesterday morning, filled Trinity Church to overflowing. The church was beautifully draped for the occasion, and in the rear of the pulpit was the inscription, "Bishop James Orsog Andrew," born 1793; died 1871. "Well done good and faithful servant." A voluntary by the choir—"I would not live always"—preceded the regular services, and was followed by the hymn, "Come let us join our friends above." Prayer was then offered by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Canale, and a selection from the Scriptures read by Rev. T. E. Wamacher. The hymn, "Servant of God, well done," being sung, Bishop Wightman delivered a sermon from the text found in Acts, chapter 20, verse 24. It was a grand and eloquent eulogy worthy of the subject, the occasion, and the distinguished divines by whom it was delivered. The hymn, "What though the arm of conquering Death," was then sung, and was followed by a prayer by Rev. J. T. Wightman. The services concluded with a touching beautiful air adapted to the words—"They are going down the valley," the singing of the doxology and a benediction by Bishop Wightman.

BUSINESS NOTICES.—THE AMMONIACAL ANIMAL MATTER in "Mapes' Nitrogenized Superphosphate of Lime," consists of the flesh (containing ten per cent. of ammonia) and the blood (containing fifteen per cent. of ammonia) of beavers, horses, fish, and other animals, after the expression of the oil and fat by steam. Kinsman & Howell are agents for the State.

A New Lot of mercantile Note Paper, five quires for \$50, at the Hasel street Bazaar and No. 161 King street.

BILL HEADS printed on fine paper at \$3, \$4, \$5, \$6, \$8 and \$9 per thousand, according to size, at the News Job Office.

PARISIAN DRESSMAKING is famous, the world over, for its matchless nicety and taste; and those of our lady readers who wish to avail themselves of the services of a true and accomplished artist in dress, may give their work to Madame Lazier, with full confidence in her skill, promptitude and ability to please. She also makes fine French corsets to order. Her establishment is on King street, one door above Wentworth, over the Dollar Store.

KNOWLEDGE is like coin, its circulation is not restricted to any particular class. The knowledge of a cat can only be obtained by a practical test, and thousands who have essayed that unite in commending the Old Carolina Bitters.

No one having made a trial of the Old Carolina Bitters will deny the efficacy of its workings.

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HASEL ST. BAZAAR, and No. 161 KING ST.

BUSINESS ENVELOPES.—The News Job Office is now prepared to furnish good envelopes, with business cards printed thereon, at \$4 per thousand. Send your orders. Every merchant and business man should have his card printed on his envelopes.

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THE ATTENTION OF WATCH-BOYERS is called to our large stock of Waltham Watches. These Watches have been long known throughout the United States as the best and cheapest in the market. All Watches guaranteed.

GENUINE GOLDEN JAPAN LILY (LILIAM AUSTRALIS).—A few bulbs for sale at the Rural Carolina office, or the store of Walker, Evans & Cogswell, No. 3 Broad street, Charleston, S. C. A full description of this magnificent flower is in the January number of the Rural Carolinian. Price—Large bulbs, 75 cents; small bulbs, 50 cents. Great bargain, and price much below market price to close out a small consignment. Will be sent by mail for above prices. mar13-2

SPRING GOODS.—Mr. A. R. Stillman, No. 281 King street, announces the opening of Spring Goods and styles to-day. Dress patterns of exquisite beauty, lawns, prints, tweeds, alpaca, lileas, to say nothing of the thousand other articles belonging to a lady's toilet, constitute an attraction that invites both a visit and investment.

EXTRAORDINARY INDUCEMENTS IN THE DRY GOODS LINE.—Messrs. Furchgott, Benedict & Co. profess to be able to offer seasonable dry goods at prices from twenty to fifty per cent. lower than those of any other dry goods house in the South. Possessing special facilities for purchasing from first hands, and with a resident partner in New York, their selection and assortment of goods embraces all the novelties, more diversified taste and beauty in their line can be found nowhere.

DATTON'S EXISTO DRYGALS.—Fresh lot of these delicious Oysters received to-day. Philadelphia Pale Ale on draught.

AT COST! AT COST!—Large size Chromos. HASEL STREET BAZAAR.

ATTENTION, TOURISTS.—Stereoscopic views of Charleston and vicinity, at No. 161 King street, or at the Hasel street Bazaar. nov12

Clothing and Furnishing Goods.

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THE MATELOT THE MARQUIS OF LORNE THE MONARCH THE RUCBY CRAVAT BOW.

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BEAVER OVER SACKS, \$35, to \$28

BEAVER OVER SACKS, \$30 and \$32, to \$25

BEAVER AND MELTON OVER SACKS, \$25 and \$28, to \$20

BEAVER AND MELTON OVER SACKS, \$18 and \$22, to \$15

BEAVER AND MELTON OVER SACKS, \$14 and \$15, to \$11

UNION BEAVER OVER SACKS, \$10, to \$7

UNION BEAVER OVER SACKS, \$7, to \$5

BEAVER, KING WILLIAM, \$28, to \$20

BEAVER, KING WILLIAM, \$20, to \$15

CHINCHILLA D. B. SACKS, \$25, to \$20

CHINCHILLA D. B. SACKS, \$15, to \$12

CHINCHILLA D. B. SACKS, \$12, to \$10

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BLAY AND BUFF LINENS, FOR APRONS, 25

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ALL CHEAP FOR CASH, AT

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The following table is based on the "realized" premium accumulations of each of the Companies named—made from the statements of the Companies and without any purpose of making invidious comparisons—for the sake of truth solely.

The Statements of the Companies were made last year (except that of the Policy-Holders).

NAME OF COMPANY.

Ratio of realized assets to amount of assets.

Ratio of realized income to amount of income.

Ratio of realized surplus to amount of surplus.

Ratio of realized reserve to amount of reserve.

Ratio of realized profit to amount of profit.

Ratio of realized dividend to amount of dividend.

Ratio of realized interest to amount of interest.

Ratio of realized commission to amount of commission.

Ratio of realized expense to amount of expense.

Ratio of realized net income to amount of net income.

Ratio of realized net profit to amount of net profit.

Ratio of realized net dividend to amount of net dividend.

Ratio of realized net interest to amount of net interest.

Ratio of realized net commission to amount of net commission.