Telegraphic—Foreign Affairs.

LONDON, April 30.—The city is illuminated in honor of the Lord Mayor's ball. The Prince and Princess of Wales are among the guests.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 30.—Another implicated murderer of Rev. Mr. Stevens has been condemned to death. The cold has killed the wheat in Michoachin. The revolutionist, Loteus Lozano, was assassinated at Teyoutepec. The Apaches are raiding Chihuahua. The Government has notified the railroad contractors, to whom concessions were granted, to come to time, with guarantees. Secretary Fish tenders his friendly offices in restoring friendly relations between France and Mexico.

LONDON, April 29.—A meeting of farmers was held at Newmarket, yesterday, to consider the present difficulties with agricultural laborers. Among the speeches delivered was one by a Mr. Wood, a native of England, but now a resident of Ohio, who offered to bring from that State any number of persons who were willing to work for fourteen shillings a week in place of the laborers now looked out.

HAVANA, April 28.—Captain-General Concha has ordered a draft for military services, to take place May 1, from the class between the ages of twenty-five and thirty-five, instead of eighteen and twenty-five. The order prescribes that persons liable to military service, and whose income exceeds $500 per annum, may commute by payment of a contribution to the expenses of the war, and exempts discharged soldiers, priests, novices, only sons maintaining poor parents and employees of the Government, but the latter are obliged to join the volunteers. Substitutes for drafted parties will be accepted. Any person liable to the draft will be permitted to leave the island on payment of $500 in gold.

The steamer which leaves for Spain to-morrow takes out 450 Carlist prisoners to be exchanged.

Telegraphic—American Matters.

YAZOO CITY, April 30.—The inland rivers above are falling, and as only a little over one-third of the Yazoo Valley is flooded, the planters and merchants are more hopeful.

Memphis and Little Rock have suspended trains, on account of washes.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., April 30.—Everything quiet. A number of arrests on either side. Business flat. A collision is apprehended any moment.

LOUISVILLE, KY., April 30.—Delegates to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are arriving by every train. A commission from the Northern Church, with a view to union, will be in attendance.

The iron steamship Mediator, of Lorillard's line, is burning between decks. The cargo and interior will probably be destroyed. She is aground.

NEW YORK, April 30.—On account of the storm and mud, certain cars were stopped running by Bergh.

Sigesmund Appel has disappeared, leaving $50,000 indebtedness. He was a member of the Produce Exchange.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The House is considering a bill to defend the rights of American citizens abroad.

The Senate is discussing the question of distributing public documents.

NEW YORK, April 29.—An attempt was made this morning to burn a row of forty tenements, nearly ready for occupation, at Laurel Hill, Long Island. Four of the houses were burned before the flames were extinguished. Two firemen and a child are missing, and search is being made among the ruins for their bodies.

John Given, who shot Policeman Gibney, Saturday night, has been committed to the Tombs, to await trial for murder.

Gustave Goethe was to-day convicted of bigamy, and sentenced to five years in the State prison. When passing his first wife, he struck her in the face. Recorder Hackett ordered him to be re-arrested, and added a year to his sentence. Goethe afterwards sent a message to the Recorder, to the effect that if he had had a pistol, he would have shot him like a dog.

The Government sold $1,000,000 in gold to-day, at a range of 12.89 to 13.13.

PHILADELPHIA, April 30.—Drexel, Treasurer of the Louisiana relief fund, authorizes the Mayor of New Orleans to draw for $10,000.

BOSTON, April 30.—Contributions to the sufferers from the floods have been raised to the amount of $43 000.

NEW ORLEANS, April 30.—Colored State Senator E. Barber and three other negroes sue the Jockey Club for refusing to sell them badges to the quarter stretch. $50,000 involved.

CHICAGO, April 30.—Harrison, Treasurer of the Globe Theatre, accused of burning the theatre, was honorably discharged.

ATLANTA, April 30.—Heavy frost this morning. Fruit and crops injured.

WILMINGTON, DEL., April 30.—Apprehension regarding the peach crop has been relieved. The latest advices represent the prospect for a good crop as excellent.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Consumers of iron and steel are appealing for a reduction of the tariff. It is understood the Committee on Appropriations will report the river and harbor bill without amendment.

In the Senate, Oglesby introduced a bill to promote commerce between the States and cheapen transportation of freight and passengers between the Atlantic seaboard and the West. Civil rights was resumed. Norwood made a speech, which attracted much attention.

In the House, a bill was offered to bridge the Omecheta at Monroe and the Red River at Shreveport. A motion was made by Negly, of Pennsylvania, in behalf of the North Louisiana and Texas Railroad; objection, and the bill went over. The Louisville and Portland Canal bill has passed, and goes to the President.

Probabilities—For the Middle States, partly cloudy weather and light rain to-night, followed on Friday by rising temperature, partly cloudy and South-west to South-east winds. For the South Atlantic and East Gulf States, rising temperature, clear weather and fresh to brisk South to South-east winds. The Ohio River will continue falling at Pittsburg and rising at Louisville and Evansville. The Mississippi below Cairo will remain nearly stationary.

CHARLESTON, April 30.—Arrived—Steamships Champion, New York; Falcon, Baltimore.

Telegraphic—Commercial Reports.

COLUMBIA, April 30.—Cotton market firm and buyers anxious to purchase—strict middling is quoted at 16c.

NEW YORK, April 30—Noon.—Stocks active and lower. Money 3. Gold 13. Exchange—long 4.87½; short 4 90. Governments strong and active. State bonds dull and lower. Cotton quiet; sales 646—uplands 17¾; Orleans 18⅛. Futures opened: May 17 1-16, 17 5-16; June 17 9 16, 17⅝; July 17 31 32, 18, 18 1-32; August 18 5 16; September 18 1.32, 18 3-32; October 17¾, 17 25 32; November 17⅝; December 17⅞. Flour steady. Wheat a shade firmer. Corn firm. Pork quiet, at 16 87½@17.00. Lard firm—steam 10¼. Freights firm.

7 P. M.—Cotton dull; sales 1,660, at 17¾@18⅛. Flour firm and in fair request. Wheat unchanged, but in very moderate demand, closing dull. Corn opened firm and in moderate inquiry, but closed dull, and 1@2c. lower. Coffee steady, at 18@21¾ for Rio. Pork quiet. Lard active and firmer—10½. Whiskey lower—97½. Freights dull—cotton, steam ¼. Money easy, at 3@4. Sterling firm, at 4.87½. Gold 12¾@12⅞. Governments strong and active. States quiet and dull. Cotton—net receipts 453; gross 1,749. Futures closed steady; sales 24,000.

CINCINNATI, April 30.—Flour steady. Corn firm. Provisions dull. Whiskey firm, at 93.

CHARLESTON, April 30.—Cotton firm—middling 16½@16⅝; net receipts 146; exports to Great Britain 2,535; coastwise 412; sales 250; stock 15,750.

NEW ORLEANS, April 30.—Cotton quiet and unchanged; net receipts 245; gross 1,022; exports to Great Britain 3,265; France 2,166; continent 1,040; sales 2,000.

MOBILE, April 30.—Cotton quiet and firm; net receipts 126; exports coastwise 303; sales 1,000.

AUGUSTA, April 30.—Cotton irregular—middling 16½; receipts 214; sales 142

BOSTON, April 30—Cotton quiet; gross receipts 853; exports 6,853; Great Britain 168; sales 200.

NORFOLK, April 30.—Cotton steady—low middling 16¼; net receipts 1,167; exports coastwise 820; sales 250.

BALTIMORE, April 30.—Cotton quiet and firm; gross receipts 25; exports to Great Britain 919; coastwise 126; sales 271—last evening 270; spinners 167.

SAVANNAH, April 30.—Cotton firm and unchanged; net receipts 183; gross 197; exports to Great Britain 4,409; coastwise 225; sales 599.

GALVESTON, April 30.—Cotton—holders firm, at outside figures.

ST. LOUIS, April 30.—Flour in fair inquiry—single to double extra 4.50@5 50; other grades held above views of buyers. Corn easier. Whiskey firm, at 94. Provisions quiet. No lard offering.

LONDON, April 30.—Bank rate 4 per cent. Consols 92¾. Eries 31.

LIVERPOOL, April 30—3 P. M.—Cotton firm; sales 14,000, including 2,000 for speculation and export; sales of uplands, nothing below good ordinary, deliverable April, 8¼; May or June, 8 5-16; June or July, 8 7-16; nothing below low middling, shipped May or June, 8½; deliverable May or June, 8⅜; of sales to-day, 9,000 were American.

LIVERPOOL, April 30—Evening.—Cotton—sales of uplands, nothing below low middling, deliverable in June or July, 8½.

Special Meeting of the City Council.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
COLUMBIA, S. C., April 28, 1874.

Council met at 7½ P. M. Present—His Honor the Mayor, and Aldermen Pugh, Swygert, Thomas, Wells, Brown, Simons, Davis, Purvis, Carroll, Carr, Cooper and Griffin. The minutes of the last regular meeting and two special meetings were read and approved.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from R. E. B. Hewetson, making application for the position of architect of New City Hall, as Mr. Berg, his former partner, had resigned, and recommended him for the position. The same was referred to Special Committee on New City Hall.

A communication from E. H. Heinitsh, with regard to his contract for furnishing medicines for the Alms House, Hospital and indigent poor, was, on motion of Alderman Carroll, referred to Committee on Alms House.

A communication from John Irwin, asking that his mule and cart be employed by the city, to enable him to support his family and pay his taxes, was referred to Committee on Streets.

A petition from James Holcombe, for abatement of license, was referred to Committee on Alms House.

A petition from A. Rice, asking to be relieved from paying license as huckster, on account of extreme poverty, was referred to Committee on Alms House.

A petition from Mary E. Doyle, for assistance to the amount of $10, was referred to Committee on Alms House.

A petition from S. Avery, for employment to trim the trees in Sydney Park, was referred to Committee on Park.

A petition from John W. Pope, to repair the fountain in the Park, was referred to Committee on Park.

The following bills were received and referred to Committee on Accounts: Columbia Gas Light Company, gas; Sam. Gourdine, Edward Reed, Cooper & Taylor, Street Department; Cooper & Taylor, miscellaneous; Cooper & Taylor, Fire Department; Cooper & Taylor, bell tower; Cooper & Taylor, Market.

The following report of the Committee on Alms House was presented, and received as information:

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia—GENTLEMEN: The Committee on Alms House and Hospital beg leave to report that we have visited the Alms House, and find therein nineteen inmates, one steward, one stewardess and one cook. We find the condition of the institution not as good as might be; for instance, we find the bedding very scanty; so much so, that the inmates are really not comfortable. The buildings have somewhat an unbecoming appearance, from a want of whitewash, both inside and outside; which, in our opinion, if done, would add not only to the appearance, but to the health of the institution. The fencing around the institution is in a rotten and bad condition, a great many of the posts being decayed and broken off, and the gates in a broken condition. We find, also, upon the grounds the new Alms House and Hospital building, partly constructed. The said building is at present in a condition to be very materially damaged by the weather, there being no roof upon the same. We would, therefore, recommend that the Council take some steps to have the building covered, so as to protect it. We further report that we have visited the Hospital, and find therein twenty patients, some of which are apparently in a very bad state, while others, seemingly, there is very little the matter with. We find the building in a very uncomfortable condition, the mattresses having very little straw in them, and sheets and blankets very scarce. We think, therefore, that something should be done in that direction, in order to relieve the necessity of the poor and unfortunate who fall within the bounds of those institutions. All of which we respectfully submit.

S. D. SWYGERT, Chairman.

The Committee on Fire Department referred back to Council the petition of the Enterprise Fire Company, as having been acted upon by the former Council, and thought no report was needed. Adopted.

Alderman Carroll gave notice that he would offer an ordinance to amend an ordinance regarding the pay of the City Physician, and to increase his pay to the sum of $1,000 per annum.

Alderman Brown offered a resolution, which was adopted, to abolish the office of Lieutenant of Police.

A resolution was offered by Alderman Purvis and adopted, that the Committee on Ways and Means report to the Council, at its next regular meeting, the possible chance of raising funds to keep open the public schools of the city for one month, as they close this week.

COLUMBIA, April 28, 1874.

To Mayor Alexander and Council of the city of Columbia—GENTLEMEN: Having contemplated and carried into execution a business directory for the city of Columbia, I have found that there is a general desire amongst the merchants for a complete city directory, giving the names of all the voters or heads of families, and name of street and number of house, the names to be arranged in alphabetical order. They also desire to know the entire population, with a division of race, marked "W" and "C," so as to know the standard of the city. Now, gentlemen, I have a great deal of experience in this line of business, and I will make a thorough canvass, take the names of all voters and heads of families, the entire number of residents in each house, also classify them, all between the ages of five and twenty-one. I will attend and canvass in person the entire city, if Council will authorize the same for a consideration merely sufficient to bear the net expense. I will then have it printed in combination with the business directory, in which I will give the officials of city, County and State, locate the public buildings, all the fire departments, police force, railroad depots, churches of all denominations, etc. I would respectfully suggest that Council fix the amount in bulk or by per cent., allowing so much for the work, to be paid only when the work is completed. I am, gentlemen, yours, etc.,

F. F. MADDEN.

The above was, on motion of Alderman Carroll, received as information.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 28, 1874.

To his Honor the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia—GENTLEMEN: In accordance with notice, given at previous meeting of Council, that I should introduce an ordinance amending an ordinance, creating the office of Overseer of the Streets, I have, after a diligent search, found no ordinance of Council, or any Act of the Legislature, creating any such office. The only ordinance bearing on the matter is one passed by the Council during the year 1873, regulating the duties of such an officer, but no authorized Act exists establishing such an office; and since such is the case, I offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the work to be done by the city, on the public streets of the city of Columbia, be given out by contract to the lowest bidder, the party receiving said contract to enter into bond to the amount of —— dollars for the faithful performance of said contract—said contract to refer especially to the keeping of all streets in good order, and not the opening of new streets or the building of drains, all of which is done, by petition to Council, by the citizens so desiring the above improvements, which, if granted, also to be given out by contract to the lowest bidder. Very respectfully,

(Signed) H. W. PURVIS.

On being put to a vote, the resolution was adopted.

The following lease was presented by Alderman Carroll, and the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to sign the same, which was done:

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF RICHLAND, CITY OF COLUMBIA.—Know all men by these presents, that the city of Columbia has devised and leased, and by these presents does devise and lease, for and in consideration of the annual rent of $1, to it agreed to be paid by the lessees and their successors in office, as trustees of the the free common schools of the First School District of Richland County, unto C. D. Lowndes, C. J. Carroll and L. L. Brown, as such trustees, and to their successors in office, for the term of ninety-nine years, all that piece, parcel and lot of land situated in the city of Columbia, in the South-east corner of Sydney Park, having a front to the South, on Taylor street, of 150 feet, and running to the North, into Sydney Park, 87 feet, and covering the ground on which now stand the buildings formerly used as a green house and an engine house, and which are at this time advertised by City Council for sale; the object of this lease being to furnish a site for the erection of a suitable building for the purpose of a school-house in the First School District of the said County of Richland.

And it is understood and agreed by and between the lessor, the city of Columbia, and the lessees, the said C. D Lowndes, C. J. Carroll and L. L. Brown, as such trustees, who contract for themselves and their successors in office, that this lease shall continue so long, and no longer, as the lot of land embraced in it and the building erected thereon shall be devoted to the purposes of a free common school: *Provided*, That it shall be the right of the said trustees, and their successors in office, to sell or remove the said building, with a like right of removal on the part of the purchaser, whenever the same shall cease to be used as a free common school-house; and the disuse of the said lot and building as a free common school convenience shall terminate this lease, notwithstanding it is herein said to be for the term of ninety-nine years. And they, the said C. D. Lowndes, C. J. Carroll and L. L. Brown, as such trustees, for themselves and for their successors in office, do by these presents agree to lease, and have hereby leased, upon the terms and conditions herein set forth, and for the purpose specified herein, the said lot of land herein described from the said the city of Columbia; and they, in addition, do by these presents bind themselves to erect on the said lot, at as early a day as practicable, a suitable building for the purpose of free common school education.

In witness thereof, I, John Alexander, Mayor of the said city of Columbia, and, in behalf thereof, and in pursuance of an order of the City Council, have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said city; and we, the said C. D. Lowndes, C. J. Carroll and L L Brown, as trustees as aforesaid, of the same date, to wit: the 28th day of April, A. D. 1874, have hereunto set our hands and seals.

(Signed) JOHN ALEXANDER,
Mayor.
C. J. CARROLL,
L. L. BROWN.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of B. F. GRIFFIN.

Attest: C. BARNUM, City Clerk.

Alderman Carroll offered an ordinance to amend an ordinance "To make appropriation for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 1874," as follows:

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia, in Council assembled, and by the authority of the same, That so much of the ordinance as fixes the salary of City Physician at $600 be so amended as to read $1,000.

Alderman Davis gave notice of an ordinance to abolish the office of Overseer of the Poor.

Alderman Cooper presented the bonds of the following newly elected officers of the city: W. R. Jones, City Clerk, Treasurer and Assessor; M. F. Nixon, Chief of Police; J. H. Pickett, Clerk of the Market.

On motion of Alderman Purvis, the bond of Mr. Jones was accepted.

On motion of Alderman Brown, the bond of J. H. Pickett was approved.

On motion of Alderman Pugh, the bond of M. F. Nixon was approved.

On motion of Alderman Simons, the newly-elected officers were qualified.

Alderman Purvis gave notice that he would offer an ordinance to amend an ordinance establishing the office of City Attorney, and do away with the same.

The Committee on Guard House reported back the report of the Chief of Police for the month of March, as examined and found correct.

The following bills were reported back by the Committee on Accounts, and the committee recommended payment: R. Hannan, Guard House; P. B. Nowell, Market; *Union-Herald*, printing; A. L. Solomon, Fagan Bros., two bills; M. E. Carr, four bills; W. D. Starling & Co., two bills; A. Stork, T. J. Harper R L. Young, L. T. Levin and J. B. Boozer.

On motion of Alderman Simons, Council adjourned.

C. BARNUM, City Clerk.

SUICIDE OF AN EX CONGRESSMAN—REMARKABLE CONDUCT.—A remarkable circumstance connected with the suicide of ex-Congressman Doane, of Staten Island, was that, on the day previous, he called at the office of a New York morning paper, and asked for a reporter, to accompany him to Staten Island, where he would give him a piece of startling news. The reporter went with Doane, who related his history, rehearsed his political opinions, and then announced the determination to kill himself, telling the reporter he would be a dead man to-morrow. The next morning early, he was found dead in his bed from poison.

North Carolina claims to be the only State in the Union which produces every article enumerated in the census report of 1870.

MARRIED,

On the 30th April, 1874, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. D. Frost, Sr., by the Rev. Dr. P. J. Shand, Miss MARY E. FROST and Mr. J. MANCY, all of Richland County. No cards.

Auction Sales.

Furniture.

BY JACOB LEVIN.

THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 10 o'clock, I will sell, at my Auction Room,

A general variety of FURNITURE, the property of a family leaving the city, consisting of Mahogany Sofas and Chairs, Caneseat Chairs, Ottomans, Marble-top Tables, Extension Tables, Marble-top Bureaus and Washstands, Lounge, Mahogany Bedsteads, Mahogany Book Case, Carpets, Mirrors, Feather Beds and Mattresses, Velocipede, Cooking Stove, (Cotton Plant,) and a variety of useful articles to house-keepers.

Terms cash and sale without reserve.

May 1

A Card.

THE undersigned takes this means to express his cordial thanks to the Fire Companies and to the citizens of Columbia, for their kind and effective efforts in extinguishing the fire at his residence, yesterday.

H. M. BLACK,
May 1 1* Lieut. Col. 18th Infantry.

For Sale or Rent.

THE MILL known as Geiger's Mill, near the junction of the Broad and Saluda Rivers. The water power is abundant, and the Mill is in good order. Apply to

DR. W. P. GEIGER.
May 1 1mo†

Notice.

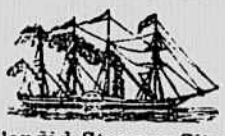
CHARLOTTE, COLUMBIA & AUGUSTA R. R. CO., GENERAL PASSENGER DEPARTMENT.

PASSENGERS purchasing Tickets of Agents at Ticket Offices, before entering Trains, will obtain the advantage of the Company's DISCOUNT RATES. If paying upon the Trains, they will be charged the Company's REGULAR FARE, as collected by Conductors.

JAMES ANDERSON,
Superintendent.

A. POPE, General Passenger Agent.
May 1

Grand Annual Excursion
TO
FLORIDA!



The Splendid Steamer City Point,
Capt. Fitzgerald,

WILL leave Charleston on THURSDAY EVENING, 7th May, at 8 o'clock, on an EXCURSION TO FLORIDA, arriving at Savannah early Friday morning, and remaining there until the afternoon, affording ample time to see the city, visit Buenaventure, and other points of interest.

Leaving Savannah Friday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, will arrive at Fernandina same night, Jacksonville early Saturday morning, and Palatka same evening. Thus passing up St. John's River by day-light, stopping at all points of interest, affording a rare opportunity of seeing to the best advantage the most beautiful of Southern Rivers.

Sunday is set aside to visit St. Augustine, where a most agreeable time may be spent inspecting the ancient Spanish Fortress, the Cathedral, and other relics of the first settlement on the Continent; in sailing on the Bay, or visiting the Orange Groves of the neighborhood.

Leaving Jacksonville on Tuesday, will arrive at Fernandina same afternoon, Savannah early Wednesday morning, and Charleston same afternoon.

Fare for the Round Trip, $20.00,
Including Meals and State-rooms.

RAVENEL & CO., Agents,
Corner Vanderhorst Wharf and East Bay,
May 1 6 Charleston, S. C.

New and Seasonable Goods,
CONSISTING OF

PATENT REFRIGERATORS,
ICE CREAM FREEZERS,
ICE PITCHERS and WATER COOLERS,
Sponge, Hip and Children's BATHING TUBS,
Wire Meat SAFES,
Wire Dish and Plate COVERS,
Glass FLY TRAPS,
Palmetto FLY BRUSHES,
Opened THIS DAY, and for sale at

STANLEY'S CHINA HALL.
April 29 †3

To Farmers and Planters.

YOU should now begin to get your LIME and compost your chip and woods manures for grass and small grain. When the Lime is ready to hand, a rainy day can be taken, which is the very thing for your compost heap, as it must be thoroughly wet through and through.

Lime is the great enriching warming agent, and combined with other material, a preventive of drought.

Don't wait until you wish to sow, for then the rush will be so great that, perhaps, you will not be able to obtain any; besides age improves your compost.

I will deliver Lime at Gaffney's Station, at $1 00 a barrel, when a car load is taken.
At Spartanburg, $1.12½ a barrel.
At Alston, $1 42 a barrel.
At Columbia, $1 62 a barrel.
At Charlotte, $1 20 a barrel.

For other points, see your Railroad Agent and get his car load rates from Gaffney's, and divide that by 80, as a car holds that many barrels.

I will send to all applicants, free of charge, Prof. Johnson's great formula for a mixture to resist drought. Address

THOS. H. BOMAR,
April 29 6 Spartanburg, S. C.

Notice.

ALL persons holding claims against the estate of the late RICHARD WEARN will please present them to

JOHN R. SLAWSON,
Indian Girl Cigar Store,
April 30 6* Columbia, S. C.

Private Boarding,

BY MRS. M. A. DAVIS. No. 69½ Richardson street, opposite Republican Printing Office, Columbia, S. C. April 29 3†

CASH.

AFTER TO-DAY, we will sell goods for CASH ONLY.

COPELAND & BEARDEN.
COLUMBIA, S. C., April 29, 1874. 3mo

Grand Trotting Race---$2,000 Purse.

THERE will be a MATCHED RACE trotted over the State Auxiliary and Joint Stock Association's Course, at Columbia, S. C., on May 1, 1874, between T. B. Johnston's brown gelding, "Ruin of Man," and R. Small's brown gelding, "Major Beaufort," for $1,000 a side. Mile heats, best three in five, under the rules of the National Association. It is expected there will be other races on the same day.

J. B MOORE, Secretary.

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