

NEW POSTAL CARDS.

Three Sizes of the Convenient Articles Soon to be Issued.

DAGGETT GETS A BIG CONTRACT.

Important Discoveries of the United States Fish Commission.

THE CREEK INDIANS FILE A PROTEST.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—Acting Postmaster General Clarkson today awarded the contract for furnishing postal cards to the Postoffice Department for four years, beginning October 1 next, to Albert Daggett, of New York, the lowest bidder under the return call for proposals.

The advertisement called for bids upon samples offered by the department, and also upon such samples as bidders might wish to offer. The contract was awarded upon the departmental samples, the proposals upon which were found to be more advantageous to the Government than the proposals on samples offered by bidders.

There will be a material reduction in the price of the cards, although the cards in the new contract will be superior in quality to those in the old one; and, besides, the public will be afforded

BETTER FACILITIES for correspondence and for advertising by the addition of two new sizes of cards. Size No. 1 is to measure 2 1/2x3 1/2 inches. The cost of this card will be 37 cents a thousand.

Size 2 is to be of the same dimensions (2 1/2x3 1/2 inches) as the present card, and weigh 5 pounds 5 ounces a thousand. The weight of the present card is 5 pounds 4 ounces a thousand. The cost on the new contract is 35 cents a thousand, and in the old contract was 47 1/2-100 cents a thousand cards. Size 3 is to measure 3 1/2x5 1/2 inches, and weigh 9 pounds 9 ounces a thousand. The contract price is 50 cents a thousand. The average weight of the three sizes will be a little over 6 1/2 pounds and the average cost about 40 cents a thousand. This is a reduction of nearly 17 per cent in the price of the cards, and an increase of about 27 per cent on weight.

CHEAPER CARDS.

Allowing for the difference in weight the cards will be about one-third cheaper in the new contract than in the old one, the average price of the cards being about 9 cents a pound in the old contract, and about 6 cents a pound in the new one.

The estimated number of cards to be required during the four years of the contract term is 2,900,000,000 at a cost of \$800,000. The reduction in cost for four years will amount to fully \$150,000 as compared to the price in the old contract. The postage on the estimated quantity of cards to be called for during the four years will amount to \$25,000,000. The contract will require nearly 7,000 tons of paper, or an average of about six tons for each working day.

The size of postal cards was first introduced in this country in 1873, and the issue for the first year was about 600,000 cards. The contract price was then \$1.395 a thousand cards, or about three and a half times as much as the average price in the contract just awarded.

SIGHT RESTORED.

Witnesses of a Miracle Tell a Remarkable Story—The Wonder Foretold—A Man Believes His Own Eyes—A Message From the Spirit Land.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—Mrs. Willie Bittig, residing on the Condit road, one mile and a half beyond Georgetown, had her sight restored in a peculiar manner. The following interview with Mr. J. D. Bittig, the lady's father-in-law, tells the story. Mr. Bittig said:

"Several weeks ago my son's wife was taken sick, and for days her life was despaired of, though she received the best of medical attention, and was carefully and tenderly nursed by Mrs. Bittig and other members of the family. A little more than two weeks ago, after having several severe convulsions, her sight was entirely lost, as the attending physician and others will state. I think it was the next day after the loss of sight there began a series of strange manifestations in her room. Distinct knocking or rattling sounds were heard coming from the bed upon which she lay, and chairs would move from one side of the room to the other. Now, I want to say that this sounds funny, but I witnessed the manifestations, and know a thing or two about it. But to proceed. A few days after my daughter-in-law went blind, she told us that on Sunday, August 11, she would go to sleep at 9 o'clock, and when she awoke at about 7 o'clock her sight would be restored.

"Last Sunday evening myself and family were in the sick room, and I must confess I put no confidence in what she had said as to the return of her sight. She was, however, a very close observer. At 7 o'clock my daughter fell asleep and slept soundly until 8:40 o'clock, at which time she awoke, and speaking to those around her, said: 'I can see the light of this day.' Her sight will be restored at 9 o'clock. The spirit has told me so, and I have confidence.' We talked to her and hoped that her belief might prove true. Just as the clock was striking the hour of 9, she reached out her hands and said, 'I see! I see!'

"I glanced at her eyes and discovered that the film which had been over them had disappeared and they danced and sparkled as they did in the days when she was not sick. That is all I know, and I know it to be true. That people will doubt it I am well aware, but am satisfied with the return of her sight."

AN INDIAN PROTEST.

The Creeks Do Not Propose to be Cheated Out of Their Rights.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—Ex-Governor Pleasant Porter, of the Creek Nation, today filed with the Department of Justice a protest against the proposed proceedings in the matter of ex-Governor Samuel J. Crawford, of Kansas, and other persons who, as attorneys for the Creeks, received 10 per cent in their purchase money in bringing about the purchase by the United States of the interest of the Creeks in the lands embraced within Oklahoma Territory.

He says that the Creeks, afraid of being cheated out of their rights, in 1886 employed counsel to represent them, and, after a long contest, succeeded in January last in securing from Congress \$2,280,837 for their rights in the lands.

Paying For the Yorktown.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—The Navy Department today ordered the payment to Cramp & Sons, of Philadelphia, of \$10,200 on account of the new gunboat, Yorktown. This is the last regular payment on the vessel, although a reserve fund of \$30,000 will

NEW KINDS OF FISH.

Thirty-Five Distinct Species Discovered by the United States Commission—Orders to be Prepared on the Pacific Coast—A Fishing Boat Discovered.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—Prof. Chas. H. Gilbert, who has been for the past seven months the chief naturalist on board the United States Fish Commission steamer Albatross, has just returned from Washington and is now engaged at the laboratory of the commission in working on the collections which were made during that time off the Pacific coast.

Prof. Gilbert says that after joining the ship at San Francisco early last winter work was commenced on the southern coast of California and continued for three months between Point Conception and San Diego. The main work there was in locating fishing grounds and dredging for deep sea material. While there 35 different species of fish that were not known before on that coast were taken, some of them being entirely new to science.

A new fishing bank was discovered in the vicinity of San Diego, and one company has already begun to fish on it. Prof. Gilbert thinks there is a possibility of some little industry being established there. He does not, however, regard it as a very important fishing bank.

After completing work on that part of the coast a cruise was made into the Gulf of California, partly for the purpose of looking up the question of the southern coast, and partly to ascertain whether the experiment of introducing shad in the Colorado river had been successful. No shad were found in this river, although some had been planted there. The question now to be determined is whether there is a suitable place on the California coast where they can be propagated.

Part of the work was of scientific interest, many new and very interesting forms being obtained. Having finished the southern cruise, the vessel proceeded northward and did some work off the coast of Oregon and Washington Territory, locating fishing banks there. It had been reported that there were good halibut banks off the northern coast, but the Albatross was not successful in finding fish there in sufficient abundance to promise any large industry in that line.

SOMETHING OF A QUESTION.

The State Department Withheld to Take Care of a Prisoner.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—The State Department has received an opinion of the Attorney General in the case of Captain Duvigne, which will be accepted as settling the question of the right of this Government to bring to the United States for confinement persons convicted by consular courts of offenses and sentenced to imprisonment. In this case, Captain Duvigne was found guilty of the murder of General Stearns and was sent first to imprisonment for years. As there were no proper means of carrying out the sentence at Madagascar, the scene of the murder, it was sought to bring the prisoner to the United States and confine him here. The Attorney General, however, decides that this cannot be legally done.

During former administrations prisoners sentenced by the consular courts in the Ottoman Empire were brought to the United States for confinement, but the Attorney General explains that this was done only when the prisoner had been sentenced to death and the President had used his power of making a conditional pardon, and commuted the sentence practically in that way. In the case of Captain Duvigne, however, the sentence was not commuted, and he was not brought to the United States for confinement.

OFF TO DEER PARK NEXT. The President Will Make a Brief Stop at the Capital.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—At 2:08 o'clock this afternoon the President and Private Secretary Halford drove up in front of the White House, after an absence of nearly two weeks. A number of newspaper men and a few tourists had gathered upon the sidewalk. In response to their salutes the President raised his hat, and, with a smile, said: "I am much obliged for the reception." Mr. Halford says that they had a pleasant trip down from Fall River on the Pilgrim. The water was a little rough, but not enough so to make it uncomfortable to experienced travelers. They left the train at 10 o'clock, and were met by Mr. Halford at the Jersey City train to the first Pennsylvania train to Washington, comfortably placed in the private car of President Roberts. As few people were aware of the itinerary of the trip there were no demonstrations or incidents on the railroad journey.

The President's first act upon reaching the White House was to telegraph Mrs. Harrison that he had returned safely. She will take the train to-night and reach Washington to-morrow afternoon just in time to join President Harrison at the station and proceed with him to Deer Park. The President and Mr. Halford looked well upon their arrival and were in good spirits.

THE child's strengthener is Dr. Jayne's Tonic Vermifuge, which corrects all acidity of the stomach, restores digestion and imparts strength and vigor to adults and children. Deposits of fat and mucus are almost always benefited by its use; and, if worms be present, it is the mildest and safest of remedies. Sold by all druggists.

IMPORTANT TO LADIES.

Seal Sacques—Seal Jackets. Ladies wishing their seal sacques redyed, reshaped, relined or made into jackets, or any repairs will find it to their advantage to write or send their sacques to J. G. Bennett & Co., for manufacturers, Corner Wood street and Fifth ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

REAL ESTATE SAVINGS BANK, LIM. 401 Smithfield Street, cor. Fourth Avenue. Capital, \$100,000. Surplus, \$45,000. Deposits of \$1 and upward received and interest allowed at 4 per cent.

USE "Dun's" four-flint spring patent in the world. "Golden Wedding"—the best of broad footed shoes—made in America as a pair of shoes. Horning's "Ivory," gem of all family shoes.

It sold quick, a desirable North Avenue (Allegheny) residence, 19 rooms, cor. lot, at a very low price. W. A. HERBOW & SONS, 80 Fourth Ave.

Excursions via the P., Ft. W. & C. Ry. and C. & P. R. R. Thursday, August 22. Trains leave Union station at 8:30 A. M., 12:45 P. M., central time. Tickets good returning until August 25.

Patrons Home Industry By drinking Frauenheim & Vilsack's Pittsburg beer. It is a healthful and invigorating beverage. Telephone 1186.

JERUSALEM'S PATRIARCH and the religious potentate are gratefully depicted by Frank G. Carpenter in to-morrow's DISPATCH.

TWO LIVELY GHOSTS.

A Couple of Spiritual Visitors of the Good Old-Fashioned Kind.

TROUBLE A GLEN COVE FAMILY.

Midnight Calls, Sulphurous Smiles, Grimaces and Hasty Flights.

WITH ALL THE OTHER CONCOMITANTS

GLEN COVE, L. I., August 16.—The family of William Eastman, who live in a nice house up near the railroad depot, are troubled by a good old-fashioned spirit, of the kind that the good old-fashioned people of the country used to call "ghosts." The wife of the Rev. Frank Eastman says this ghost several times a week, and she has experience with it to several of her friends. She firmly believes in its existence as a tangible ghost, although her husband tried to argue her out of her belief. After the birth of Mrs. Eastman's child, the ghost disappeared for a time, but now it is back again. Before the child was born it appeared nearly every night.

QUITE A ROMANCE.

The Peculiar Manner in Which a New Loving Couple Became Acquainted—A Cemetery Chosen for the Scene of the Marriage Ceremony.

PHILADELPHIA, August 16.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Burbank arrived here yesterday on their way from New York to New Jersey. They had a strange story to tell. At the Brooklyn theater five years ago the father and sister of young Burbank were lost, as were the mother and sister of Sadie King, who then lived in State street, Brooklyn. Mr. Burbank wrote from the West for information about his folks, and was answered by Miss King, who wrote coquettishly, but he really used to love her. Young Burbank read the letter, and a correspondence has been kept up ever since.

Last October he proposed marriage. She replied in a most interesting manner, but suggested as the Brooklyn girl had been the means of their meeting, that they should carry out the marriage ceremony in Greenwood cemetery, near the monument that was erected by the city of Brooklyn for the unknown dead who perished in the terrible disaster. On Wednesday Mr. Burbank, accompanied by Colonel Montgomery Green, of St. Louis, an old friend of his father; Foster Bishop, Cincinnati, and his wife; and Miss King for the first time at her house on De Kalb avenue. Before the talk shaft there were eight in the party, and the group was quickly made. A few of the party were

"Harry, my mother and sister are under that stone. We never found them." He took her hand and answered: "And so are mine." Colonel King, who was an officer in the army during the late civil war, said:

"Yes, and they are in one of the most beautiful spots this world can find for the dead. Sadie, you have selected this spot to be married in. The bride and groom knelt while the clergyman offered a short but affecting prayer. Then all returned to the city, the bride and groom going to the house of an aunt, Mrs. C. Barham, at Yonkers, where they remained until morning, when they left for their home in Nebraska.

TEXAS RATES REDUCED. The Tariff on Iron Articles Will Come Down About 10 Per Cent.

S. P. Kennedy, agent of the "Cotton Belt" route, yesterday received a circular saying the Southern Inter-State Association, which comprises all the railroads running into Texas, had reduced all classes of freight, including the rates on iron articles, to about 10 per cent less.

The new arrangement will go into effect on the 19th inst., and will make a reduction of about 10 per cent, according to the classification. The reduction will also include local or intermediate stations. The reduced rates on iron articles to this territory will be about 10 per cent less.

HIS END WAS NATURAL. Terry Belonged to the Breed That Usually Dies With Boots On.

Albert H. Clark, Esq., of this city, brother of "Grace Greenwood," whose name was Sarah Jane Clark, was one of the men who organized the Vigilantes of California, since that edge David Terry had enjoyed greater immunity than most desperadoes. Mr. Clark states that if Terry had gotten his deserts he would have been hanged before he killed Senator Broderick. How he succeeded in escaping death for the murder of another California man is a mystery. Mr. Clark states that Terry was a man of unusual ability, but utterly unprincipled, and so courageous and self-willed that he could not be controlled by any other citizens who could not conceal their respect for bravery.

At 65 years of age Judge Terry's vim seems to have been about as great as when he was in the prime of manhood.

Patterson Makers' Entertainment. The Pittsburg Association of Pattern Makers will hold an open session on Tuesday evening, September 1. The members of the committee having the matter in charge are John F. Miller, C. M. Ward and H. B. Hezlett. They are straining every effort to have a first-class entertainment.

BRUSHAM'S Pills cure sick headache. BRUSHAM'S Soap, the purest and best ever made.

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EXHIBITORS WILL DECORATE.

The Exposition to be Made Beautiful—An Additional Display for the Street—Busy Scenes at the Point.

President S. S. Marvin, of the Exposition, has received the following letter from Mayor Grant's Private Secretary in answer to the one Mr. Marvin wrote in regard to the portable cast iron buildings:

THE COMMISSIONER FOR THE INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION OF 1892. MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, August 8, 1889.

DEAR SIR—Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of August 6, and to say that the same will be referred to the proper committee.

The Mayor and the general committee directed me to thank you for the suggestions you have made.

The work on the buildings is being pushed as rapidly as possible, and the contractors say everything will be in shape for the opening on September 4. Quite a number of the most prominent exhibitors got together yesterday and decided to decorate the building, it having been decided by the management not to do any official decorating this year.

The merchants want to buy bunting and flags, and furnish the framework of the main building. The cost will be \$1,000.

Art Hall is about completed and as soon as the lighting apparatus is put in place, the pictures, which have already arrived, will be hung. This will be done within the next two or three days.

It was reported to Manager Johnston yesterday that a number of people who had been refused space in the Exposition buildings had again applied from property owners along Duquesne way, and exhibits will be made in the open air in front of the main building. These are among the people who wanted to exhibit specialties and establish permanent stands.

Manager Johnston stated yesterday that the list of exhibitors that has been published was not a complete one, many of the most prominent ones being omitted. The full list will be published in a few days.

Applications for space are so numerous it is quite probable an annex will have to be built in the main building at the end next to the Point bridge. If an annex is decided upon, it will be built as soon as possible. It will, of course, be only temporary. Contractors have agreed to erect it in a week if the Board of Directors authorize it.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

A young Hungarian woman with two children is being cared for by the children's authorities at New York. She has learned that her husband, who sent her money to come to this country, was lost in the Johnston calamity. Her grief on hearing of his death was terrible.

William Trainor, the young man who entered Broker Leiby's office at 90 Broadway, New York, a few days ago, pointed a pistol at Leiby, demanded money and fired his pistol when he refused to comply. He was arrested by Gilchrist yesterday to 15 years and 6 months in the State Prison.

Catherine Mullig, aged 55, of Philadelphia, committed suicide yesterday morning in a most peculiar and determined manner. She placed a wafer on the top of her head, and put her head in the tub and then turned on the water, holding her head therein until she was suffocated. She had some time past the woman has shown signs of insanity.

The three-masted schooner A. Vicky, with a cargo of 2,000 bushels of corn, bound from Chicago for Prescott, Ontario, struck a rock near the Rock Island light house, opposite Thousand Island Park, Thursday night, and the crew escaped. The schooner was valued at \$12,000. The grain was consigned to A. Wiser, of Prescott. The vessel was totally insured, and the cargo was insured by the Erie and Ontario Insurance Co.

The jewelry store of William B. Stone, of Boston, was entered by burglars Thursday night and robbed of valuables amounting to \$10,000. The burglars, several in number, succeeded in opening the safe which contained diamonds and other precious stones. The collection they took only the most expensive articles, including \$400 worth of diamonds.

The gross earnings of the Union Pacific Railroad Company for the month of July, 1889, were \$1,232,221, an increase over the same month last year, \$41,117, or 3.3 per cent. The net earnings, \$418,567, for the same month, were an increase of \$10,000 over the same month last year. The gross earnings for the first six months of the year were \$7,700,000, an increase over the same period last year of \$1,000,000.

The Treasury Department has granted the application of a New Orleans firm to have a consignment of percussion caps intended for transmission to interior points taken from the list of explosives to which they may be forwarded under bond in the ordinary manner. This action has been taken upon a report from the collector at New Orleans that actual tests show that these caps, used for sporting purposes only, are not explosive articles, and are not therefore properly included in the list of explosives.

The Mexican steamer Alejandro arrived at San Francisco from Guaymas, Mexico, yesterday, bringing word that in the early part of July a fire broke out in the fifth hundredth level of the Truena mine, near the town of the same name. Ten men lost their lives. Eight Mexican miners were in the mine at the time of the fire, and two unknown Americans, former captives of the Truena, were also killed by the fire. The fire lasted several days, and finally burned itself out.

It is estimated by careful officials at G. A. R. encampment headquarters that there will be fully 40,000 genuine old veterans in attendance at the encampment at Milwaukee and that at least 100,000 private citizens, or sightseers for every old soldier that will be here. This would bring a crowd of 200,000 visitors to the city of Wisconsin.

Several of the top of the Americans were fed and furnished quarters. These estimates are based on numerous averages taken by the officers from requests for quarters daily received from old soldiers for themselves and families or immediate friends, and from people not connected with the order. General order issued by Commander-in-Chief Warner, under date of August 15, states that the business session of the encampment will convene at the Westside Turner Hall, August 23, at 10 A. M.

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