

## A. BARTEL APPEARS BEFORE THE BOARD

Complains that Sewers Were Inadequate, Causing Big Loss During Storm.

"The city cannot control the elements," declared Mayor Zimmerman at the meeting of the board of public works this morning during the discussion as to whether the city could be held liable for the damage done by Saturday's storm.

Adam H. Bartel, president of the firm which bears his name, appeared before the board of works and stated that he probably was the heaviest loser as the result of the storm and the extent of the loss and that the contention that the inadequateness of the sewers had a great deal to do with the extent of the loss and that the condition of North E street east of Tenth which is to be paved, tended to augment the loss. He said that the sewers at Eleventh street were choked with bricks and other debris and that the water could not be carried off, and that it ran in his cellar and his entire stock of merchandise in the basement was absolutely destroyed.

Mr. Bartel has taken no legal steps in the matter as yet and stated that he believed some satisfactory arrangement could be made between the city and the company. He said that he had not considered suing the city for damage. Mayor Zimmerman declared the city could not be held responsible for damage resulting from the storm.

**A Record Rainfall**  
According to Walter Vossler, of the local weather station, the rain fall during one hour Saturday was 2.38-100 inches. This was the largest rainfall which Richmond has experienced for many years.

"What is your sewer at Eleventh and E streets for," asked Mr. Bartel. "Why to carry off the water," answered the city's executive.

"Well if they are not in condition to carry water they do no good," replied Bartel. Mr. Bartel asked the board to consider the matter and it will be taken up later.

In attempting to cross the Yanktown ford, two miles below Abington, on Saturday afternoon, Don Burcham, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Burcham of this city, was rescued from drowning by Bright Winter, a farmer living near by. A span of mules hitched to a heavy wagon sank in the quicksand and was drowned, the loss being close to \$700, as the animals were large and very valuable.

Although there was little rain in the vicinity of Abington, the creek was swollen greatly from the heavy rain which fell here. The treacherous quicksand was washed to and deposited at the ford, which hitherto had been considered a very good one and not regarded as dangerous. When young Burcham, who is a former student of the Richmond high school, had gotten about half way across, the mules began to sink, and though they bucked attempted to kick and struggled with all their strength, they only succeeded in making their condition more serious.

In attempting to cut the animals loose, Burcham too was caught in the quicksand and had it not been for the prompt assistance rendered by Mr. Winter, a farmer living near the ford, who saw his danger, Burcham would undoubtedly have been drowned.

## City Statistics

**PERSONATE**—The funeral of James Personate was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, 253 Chestnut street. The Rev. Arthur Cates had charge of the services. Burial was in the Earlham cemetery.

**POSTER**—The funeral of Henry Foster will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, 727 South Eighth street. The Rev. Conrad Huber will conduct the services and burial will be in the Lutheran cemetery. Friends may call at any time.

**FRANCIS**—The body of Mrs. Bell Francis, wife of William Francis, who died Saturday at her home, 320 North Fourth street was taken to the Springfield, O., yesterday afternoon. The funeral services and burial took place today.

**STOLLE**—Mary E. Stolle, aged thirty-one years died Sunday morning at her home, 712 South Fifth street. The funeral will be held Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock at the St. Andrew's church and burial will be at the St. Andrew's cemetery. Friends may call at any time.

**LEFTWICH**—The funeral of Oliver Leftwich who died at Denver, Col., Thursday morning was held this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home, 310 North Sixteenth street. The Rev. S. R. Lyons conducted the funeral services. Burial was in the New Paris cemetery.

**MILLER**—Mrs. Emma Miller, widow of Nimrod Miller, died Saturday afternoon at her home, 119 North Fourteenth street. The funeral will be held Tuesday morning at the home, under the charge of the Rev. T. Kenworthy. The burial will be at Elkhorne cemetery. Friends may call at any time. Mrs. Miller was a member of the East Main Street Friends church.

**Telephoning in China.**  
In China when the subscriber rings up exchange the operator may be expected to ask:

"What number does the honorable son of the moon and stars desire?"

"Eight, two-three."

**Allice.** Then the exchange resumes:

"Will the honorable person graciously forgive the inadequacy of the insignificant service and permit this humble slave of the wire to inform him that the never-to-be-sufficiently-censured line is busy?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Schwab and Chinese Delegation



This photograph shows Mr. Schwab and Chinese dignitaries who came to this country to inspect steel for warships of the Chinese navy. Mr. Schwab was in the public eye as an important witness before the Congressional committee investigating the steel trust.

## HAYTIAN GENERAL IS PRESIDENT NOW

Leconte Takes Charge and Will Reimburse Germany—Simons in U. S.

(National News Association)  
**PORT-AU-PRINCE, Aug. 7.**—Gen. Leconte occupied the president's palace today while his ministry prepared for the transaction of state business. It is believed that Leconte will resist the landing of Gen. Firmin, commander of the other big wing of the rebel army, who is a candidate for president but will reimburse German houses for loans made to Firmin.

## GIVEN GOLD IN NEW YORK.

**NEW YORK, Aug. 7.**—Bearing strong boxes filled with gold, Antoine Simon, son of the deposed president of Hayti and six other Saytians, officials under the Simon regime arrived here today on board the steamer Allemania, from Port-au-prince enroute for Paris. They fled from Hayti when the downfall of the Simonists became evident. E. R. Dick, who sold his private yacht America to the Haytian government, which transformed it into the gunboat "17 December" was another passenger.

The son of the deposed Haytian president declared that his father had been cruelly mistreated.

"The whole revolution," he said, "was due to the Americans who have a railroad concession down there. I am on my way to Paris where I intend to live. The people of Hayti do not know what they want. When things are running nicely, somebody will start a row and a revolution follows."

Passengers estimated that Simon and his companions had \$100,000 with them.

## TOOK WILEY'S POWER

Solicitor McCabe Admits Revising Food Law.

(National News Association)  
**WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.**—On cross examination today before the committee investigating the Dr. Wiley controversy, solicitors McCabe of the department of agriculture admitted that he wrote the law which robbed Dr. Wiley of his privilege of recommending prosecutions of pure food violators and also drafted the general order giving himself the sole power to recommend prosecutions.

## SAD COINCIDENCE IN BABY'S DEATH

A sad and sorrowful coincidence occurred early this morning when the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pilgrim died at the home of the parents, 419 South Fourth street. Just nine months ago Mr. and Mrs. Pilgrim buried an infant son who was exactly the same age as the one who died this morning, both being nine months old at the time of death. Both died on the same day and at the same hour.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home. The Rev. Albert Feeger will have charge of the services. Friends may call at any time.

**Court Feels.**  
The custom of having court fools survived longest in Russia, where Peter the Great often had fools.

## LOVE EETTERS TELL OF AUSTRIAN SPY

Count of Prague Said to Be Enlisted as Private in American Army.

(National News Association)  
**INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 7.**—Captain James Watson, in charge of the United States army recruiting office here, has asked for a warrant for the arrest of Private Geo. Peters of the 135th Coast Artillery, said to be stationed at Ft. Totten, N. Y., on the ground that he is an Austrian spy, commissioned to get the plans of American coast defenses.

The alleged exposure of Peters came through his sweetheart, Miss Clara Anita Dyer of Philpot, Ky., who attempted to obtain Peters release from the Artillery corps and get him out of the perilous position. She showed letters to Captain Watson, which he says are sufficient to convict the man if they are bonafide.

The girl says Peters is Count Windisch-Araetz of Prague.

**FT. TOTTEN, WILLETS POINT, N. Y.**—Col. Strong, commander of Ft. Totten, stated today that there was a private of the 135th United States Coast Artillery in his command named George Peters but that he knew nothing of the charge that the man is an Austrian spy. However, he said, news of this character would go to Washington and be threshed out there through official channels. Peters has a good record, he said, but he knows nothing of his antecedents.

## HOUSE PLAYS BALL

No Reciprocity Between the Teams Playing Today.

(National News Association)  
**WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.**—Eighteen members of the House, nine Democrats and nine Republicans, practically forgot that they ever knew about politics today while they discussed the equestre play and the advantages of the spit ball. They were the men selected to represent the two parties in the baseball game on Georgetown University grounds this afternoon.

The star attractions are Representative Longworth, playing second base, and J. Thomas Heflin in a cream-colored suit, officially rooting for the Democrats.

The proceeds will go to charity and players were warned that any one mentioning "tariff" or "reciprocity" during the game would be banished.

## WATER WORKS BID TO BE DISCUSSED

After the regular council meeting tonight, the discussion of the proposal of the Richmond City Water Works will be taken up. Council meeting will be called promptly at 7:30 o'clock and the routine business will be rushed through, after which the remainder of the proposal will be read.

Palladium Want Ads Pay.

## Was Murdered by Her Husband



MRS. HENRY C. BEATTIE, RICHMOND, VA.

## A NEW CASTLE MAN KILLED BY FRIEND

(National News Association)  
**NEW CASTLE, Ind., Aug. 5.**—As a result of the first fatal brawl since the return of the saloons to New Castle, George Fennem, 50, is dead from a knife thrust in the abdomen inflicted by George Barscock of Union City, Saturday night. The latter was arrested, charged with murder, following a statement by the dying man at 10 o'clock, today. The cutting occurred on Broad street and was witnessed by many. Barscock quietly put up his knife and walked from the scene. The arrest followed some hours later. The two had been fast friends, but quarreled over some trivial matter. The dead man came from Shelbyville, Ky., and is survived by a wife and two daughters.

## CLUE IS FOUND IN CINCINNATI CRIME

(National News Association)  
**CINCINNATI, Aug. 7.**—A warrant charging murder was sworn out today against Charles Jones, husband of Bertha Courtney, whose headless body was found Friday in Bloody Run sewer near the city corporation lines. City detectives Harry Ryan and Frank Huefle left at once with special instructions from Chief Jackson, to visit a city in which, according to information received by the police, Jones is hiding. The police are attempting to connect Jones with with six unsolved murders of girls as he lived in the basement of a house where one of the other killings, in which the woman's skull was crushed by an iron bar, took place.

## NIP POISON PLOT

Allege Man and Wife Sought Lives of Children.

(National News Association)  
**FULTON, Mo., Aug. 7.**—What is alleged to have been an attempt to wantonly kill children was nipped by officers of Concord, Mo., when they arrested Mr. and Mrs. Lee Boyd and Jefferson Wood on a charge of wholesale poisoning.

The three were brought here and released on bail of \$1,000 each. They were accused of poisoning chewing-gum with arsenic and leaving it in yards and on porches where children might get hold of it.

Children who were menaced all belong to families whose members testified against Mrs. Boyd in her recent slander case against Dr. W. B. Elkins.

**Impartial.**  
"Mr. Singleton prides himself on being strictly impartial."  
"Yes," answered the unamiable man; "I once went shooting with him. He didn't seem to care whether he hit the rabbit, the dog or one of his friends."  
—London Tit-Bits

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