SPECIAL NOTICES.

THERE WILL BE A DEBATE AT MACCABEE Temple TUESDAY NIGHT, Jan. 23, 1900, at 8 o'clock; subject, "The Single Tax." Mr. Maurice Pechin will speak for the single tax and Mr. E. E. Slagle will oppose him.
Admission free. 1t*

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WM. A. LEETCH. ja20-3t*

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 19, 1900.
Notice of copartnership: We have this day taken into copartnership Mr. John C. Lewis of Baltimore, Md., as a member of the business firms of Gilmor Meredith & Co., Baltimore, Md., and Meredith, Winship & Co., of Washington, D. C. Mr. Lewis will sign.
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A dividend of one per cent on the Common Stock of this company has this day been declared, and will be payable February 15, 1900, to stockholders of record at the close of business February 1, 1900.
The transfer books of the Common Stock will be closed from 3 o'clock February 1, 1900, until February 16, 1900.
J. T. SPROULL, Treasurer.
Dividend checks will be mailed to stockholders of record unless otherwise instructed. ja19-3t

OFFICE OF THE WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT CO., WASHINGTON, D. C., January 19, 1900.
The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Washington Gas Light Co., for the election of directors and for such other business as may properly come before said meeting, will be held at the office of the company, 417 10th st. n.w., MONDAY, February 5, 1900, at 12 o'clock m.
The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock p.m. WILLIAM B. ORME,
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SPECIAL NOTICES.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WASHINGton City Orphan Asylum will be held WEDNESDAY, January 24, at 2 o'clock, at the Asylum, 14th and S sts. n.w. All subscribers and friends or any persons interested in the institution are cordially invited to be present. ja22-2t

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SPIRITUALISM.—PIERRE L. KEELER, 918 H st. n.w., will hold meeting at his room this (Monday) night; also Wednesday and Friday nights, 8 o'clock. 1t

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FAIR TONIGHT.

Light Southerly Winds, Moderate Temperature for Several Days.

Forecast till 8 p.m. Tuesday—For Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, fair tonight; increasing cloudiness Tuesday; light southeasterly winds.

For the District of Columbia, fair tonight and Tuesday; light southerly winds; moderate temperature will continue several days.

Weather conditions and general forecast.—The weather conditions are moderate over the whole country, except in eastern Maine, where there has been a fall in temperature of twenty-two degrees in twenty-four hours. Abnormal temperatures continue in the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys, Williston reporting 37 degrees above the normal and Moorhead 36 degrees. The temperature has risen in the lower lake region and has remained nearly stationary elsewhere.

Light snow has fallen in Maine and light rain on the north Pacific coast.

During the twenty-four hours ending 8 a.m. Sunday rain occurred from the lower lake region, the Ohio and lower Mississippi valleys to the Atlantic coast, changing to snow in the north Atlantic states.

A disturbance appears to be developing in the west gulf.

Fair weather will continue in the lower lake region, the Atlantic and gulf states, followed Tuesday by increasing cloudiness and rain on the Texas coast.

The temperature will rise in New England and in central and northeastern New York.

Brisk southwesterly winds will prevail on the north Atlantic coast, variable winds, becoming easterly on the middle Atlantic, and light northeast to east winds on the south Atlantic coast.

The following heavy precipitation (in inches) was reported for the twenty-four hours ending 8 a.m. Sunday: Eastport, 1.70; Montreal, 1.12; Chatham, 1.14; Halifax, 1.70; Sydney, 1.30; Albany, 1.12; Rochester, 1.06.

Records for Twenty-Four Hours.

The following were the readings of the thermometer and barometer at the weather bureau for the twenty-four hours beginning at 2 p.m. yesterday:

Thermometer—January 21, 4 p.m., 48; 8 p.m., 40; 12 midnight, 32. January 22, 4 a.m., 30; 8 a.m., 31; 12 noon, 50; 2 p.m., 53. Maximum, 53, at 2 p.m., January 22; minimum, 26, at 5 a.m., January 22.

Barometer—January 21, 4 p.m., 30.07; 8 p.m., 30.23; 12 midnight, 30.23. January 22, 4 a.m., 30.25; 8 a.m., 30.32; noon, 30.25; 2 p.m., 30.20.

Tide Table.

Today—Low tide, 6:31 a.m. and 7:06 p.m.; high tide, 12:21 p.m.

Tomorrow—Low tide, 7:12 a.m. and 7:57 p.m.; high tide, 12:27 a.m. and 1:07 p.m.

The Sun and Moon.

Today—Sun rises, 7:17 a.m.; sun sets, 5:06 p.m.
Moon rises, 11:58 p.m.
Tomorrow—Sun rises, 7:16 a.m.

The City Lights.

Gas lamps all lighted by 5:48 p.m.; extinguishing begun at 6:22 a.m. The lighting is begun one hour before the time named.

Arc lamps lighted at 5:33 p.m.; extinguished at 6:37 a.m.

Condition of the Water.

Temperature and condition of water at 8 a.m.: Great Falls, temperature, 34; condition, 1; receiving reservoir, temperature, 33; condition at north connection, 1; condition at south connection, 6; distributing reservoir, temperature, 37; condition at influent gate house, 10; effluent gate house, 10.

Imports at Manila.

The War Department has issued a statement showing that the total value of merchandise entered at the Manila custom house during July, August and September last was $5,802,581. In addition, there was $52,520 in gold coin and $255,294 in silver coin from British India, and $332,707 in silver coin from China, bringing the aggregate of imports up to $6,443,102, or at the rate of more than $25,300,000 a year for Manila alone.

Address on the Transvaal.

The Men's Club of Assembly's Presbyterian Church has arranged to have an address delivered at its meeting tomorrow evening by Col. F. F. Hilder, the subject being "The Transvaal." At the close of the lecture there will be a "social hour," following which light refreshments will be served.

Charles Henderson found the dead body of an infant on a lot near Glenwood cemetery yesterday afternoon. He notified the police and the body was taken to the eighth precinct station. Today it was interred in potter's field.

Catarrh of the Stomach.

A PLEASANT, SIMPLE, BUT SAFE AND EFFECTUAL CURE FOR IT.

Catarrh of the stomach has long been considered the next thing to incurable. The usual symptoms are a full or bloating sensation after eating, accompanied sometimes with sour or watery risings, a formation of gases, causing pressure on the heart and lungs and difficult breathing, headaches, fickle appetite, nervousness and a general played-out, languid feeling.

There is often a foul taste in the mouth, coated tongue, and if the interior of the stomach could be seen it would show a slimy, inflamed condition.

The cure for this common and obstinate trouble is found in a treatment which causes the food to be readily, thoroughly digested before it has time to ferment and irritate the delicate mucous surfaces of the stomach. To secure a prompt and healthy digestion is the one necessary thing to do, and when normal digestion is secured the catarrhal conditions will have disappeared.

According to Dr. Harlanson, the safest and best treatment is to use after each meal a tablet, composed of Diastase, Aseptic Pepsin, a little Nux, Golden Seal and fruit acids. These tablets can now be found at all drug stores under the name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and not being a patent medicine, can be used with perfect safety and assurance that healthy appetite and thorough digestion will follow their regular use after meals.

Mr. N. J. Booher of 2710 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill., writes: "Catarrh is a local condition resulting from neglected cold in the head, whereby the lining membrane of the nose becomes inflamed, and the poisonous discharge therefrom, passing backward into the throat, reaches the stomach thus producing catarrh of the stomach. Medical authorities prescribed for me for three years for catarrh of stomach, without cure, but today I am the happiest of men after using only one box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I cannot find appropriate words to express my good feeling. I have found flesh, appetite and sound rest from their use."

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the safest preparation as well as the simplest and most convenient remedy for any form of indigestion, catarrh of stomach, biliousness, sour stomach, heartburn and bloating after meals.

Send for little book, mailed free, on stomach troubles, by addressing F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. The tablets can be found at all drug stores. ja22&25-2t

SNOW AND ICE LAW

Draft of a Bill Prepared by Commissioner Ross.

LEGISLATION TO CURE DEFECTS

The Penalties Prescribed for Violations of Its Provisions.

CONGRESS ASKED TO ACT

The District Commissioners have approved a bill drafted by Commissioner Ross, providing for the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalks in the District, and Congress will be asked by the Commissioners to make the proposed measure law at the earliest date possible. This action of the Commissioners, as recently explained in The Star, was taken by them in order to cure the defects in the existing laws on the subject, the Court of Appeals having several months ago held these laws to be inconsistent and practically inoperative.

The bill prepared by Commissioner Ross makes it the duty of every tenant or occupant of any improved lot or lots of ground in said District whereon there is or shall be a house or building, and to which there is adjacent a paved sidewalk, within four hours of daylight after every fall of snow, to cause the said snow to be removed from such sidewalk to the extent in length to which said lot or lots abut thereon, and to the extent of not less than six feet in breadth, so as to afford a reasonably safe passageway along said sidewalk; and in the event that said snow shall have been so hardened by freezing that it cannot be removed without great difficulty, or in the event that ice shall have formed on the sidewalks by the freezing of the rain thereon, it shall be the duty of such occupant or tenant to cause such ice or frozen snow to be so sprinkled with sand, sawdust or other such material as to make a reasonably safe passageway along such sidewalk. For the violation of this act any such occupant or tenant shall be liable to a fine, the amount of which is to be decided by Congress, and which fine is to be recovered at the suit of the District of Columbia in the Police Court of said District.

Duty of Commissioners.

The second section of the bill makes it the duty of the Commissioners forthwith after any and every fall of snow or accumulation of ice on the paved streets of the District in front of and adjoining the public buildings, public squares and public reservations in the District, to cause the removal of said snow and ice, and also to cause such removal from all cross walks, from the junction of alleys with streets and from the gutters adjacent to the sidewalks of all paved streets. In the event of inability to remove such accumulation of snow or ice by reason of the hardening thereof, it shall be their duty as soon as possible to cause such paved sidewalks, cross walks and alley entrances to be freely sprinkled with sand, sawdust or other such material, so as to make a reasonably safe pathway.

The third section of the bill makes it the duty of all owners of vacant or unoccupied lots in the District fronting or abutting upon paved sidewalks, within four hours of daylight after every fall of snow or accumulation of snow, as aforesaid, to cause said snow or ice to be removed from said paved sidewalks in front of their lots in the same manner and to the same extent as is required by the first section of this act in regard to improved or occupied property; and in the event that such snow or ice has become so hardened as not to be removed without great difficulty, then to sprinkle the same freely with sand, sawdust or other material, as hereinbefore provided for improved or occupied property. In the event of the failure of any such owner of unimproved or vacant land to cause such removal of snow or ice, or to sprinkle the same, as the case may be, the bill makes it the duty of the Commissioners to remove the snow or ice or to sprinkle the sidewalks, as the case may be. No fine, however, is to be imposed upon the owners of unimproved property for failure to obey the law. Nevertheless, a penalty is provided in cases of such failure, the proposed law making it the duty of the Commissioners to assess the sum of $1 against every such lot of ground having a front of 25 feet or less, and an additional sum of $1 for every additional frontage of 25 feet or fractional part thereof, which assessment shall be added to the taxes annually levied on such lot or lots, and be collected as part of such taxes, and become as the said taxes a lien on such lot or lots.

Additional Penalties.

The fourth section of the bill imposes an additional penalty upon tenants or occupants of improved property for failure to comply with the requirements of the first section of the bill, as it makes it the duty of the Commissioners to then act as in the case of an offending owner of unimproved property, directing the same assessment against the property as is to be assessed against unimproved property.

The fifth section of the proposed measure empowers and authorizes the Commissioners to make all needful and proper rules and regulations to carry it into effect, and the sixth section repeals all inconsistent acts and parts of acts, and especially the act approved March 2, 1897.

SUSPECT ARRESTED.

Colored Man Who Has Already Served Term in Penitentiary.

John Goings, alias Boughn, colored, twenty-seven years old, is locked up at the sixth precinct station on charges of theft. He returned from the penitentiary at Trenton, N. J., about four months ago, after having served a sentence there for arson. Sergeant Byrnes and Bicycle Policemen Mullen and Bean arrested him yesterday on suspicion that he had robbed the house of Mrs. Ella Bentley, No. 628 North Capitol street, Saturday night. After locking up the prisoner they searched his house in Jackson's alley. An alarm clock and some bedding that had been taken from Mrs. Bentley's house were found there. The officers failed to find an army revolver alleged to have been taken at the same time.

In addition to the property mentioned, the police found in the house two books that had evidently been taken from the library at the Catholic University and eight volumes of a work printed at the government printing office, entitled "Messages and Papers of Presidents." A bundle of theatrical lithographs was also found.

Detectives Peck and Miller are working on the case and the prisoner will be taken to the Police Court tomorrow.

A Snap Shot of Senator Depew.

GEN. ANDERSON'S RETIREMENT.

Gen. Wade to Take Temporary Command of the Lakes Department.

Brig. Gen. T. M. Anderson, commanding the military department of the lakes, with headquarters at Chicago, closed his active career in the army Saturday by reason of reaching his sixty-fourth birthday, which is the statutory limit for service in the army. The vacancy in the list of brigadier generals, occasioned by his retirement, has been anticipated by the appointment of Gen. William Ludlow, U. S. V. (lieutenant colonel Corps of Engineers). He was nominated and confirmed by the Senate as Gen. Anderson's successor as brigadier general on the 4th instant. The President's action in filling this vacancy in advance of its existence is said to be without precedent in the army, and was avowedly taken to spare the President from further importunity from the numerous candidates for the prospective vacancy. Anticipatory appointments of this kind are, however, said to be frequent and common in other branches of the federal service, it being the usual way to provide against an interregnum in cases where an office becomes vacant by expiration of a stated term.

Maj. Gen. J. R. Brooke may be assigned to the department of the lakes, but the general impression is that he is more likely to be assigned to the command of the department of the east at New York on the retirement of Gen. Wesley Merritt in June next. Gen. Brooke is now at St. Augustine, Fla., where he has been recuperating since his departure from Havana, and is expected to arrive here next week. The question of his future duties will be determined after the President and Secretary of War have conferred with him. It is almost certain, however, that he will succeed Gen. Merritt at New York, notwithstanding his known liking for Chicago, where he has already served for several years.

By direction of the President, Gen. J. F. Wade, commanding the Department of Dakota at St. Paul, assumed temporary command today of the Department of the Lakes at Chicago, vacated yesterday by the statutory retirement of Brig. Gen. Thomas M. Anderson. A permanent assignment to this command will be made after the President has conferred with Maj. Gen. John R. Brooke, now on his way to this city.

SHOT BY A CUBAN EDITOR.

Killing of J. W. Smith, Customs Collector at Gibara.

Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn of the War Department has received from Col. T. H. Bliss, in charge of the custom service in Cuba, a report in regard to the case of Collector J. W. Smith at Gibara, who was shot by a Cuban named Cannidaty, editor of Lasclarides, a newspaper published at Gibara, on the 9th instant, and who died Friday night.

Col. Bliss says that on the 10th instant he received a telegram from Collector Smith, giving an account of his trouble with the Cuban editor in the following words:

"Was shot in left thigh yesterday afternoon by editor of local paper in an encounter resulting from personal insults and lies published by him in regard to management of custom house. I was unarmed at the time, and disarmed him after being shot. Was operated on, and doctor thinks I will be able to return to my duties in about three weeks; meanwhile the interpreter is managing the affairs of the custom house."

The next day Col. Bliss received the following telegram from the collector at Santiago, dated the 10th instant:

"Following details from Gibara, reliable account: Insulting article published local sheet, Lasclarides, against Smith. Altercation in street yesterday. Cannidaty shot Smith in groin, cutting artery. Wound not thought fatal. After being shot, Smith took revolver from Cuban. Smith now doing very well. Everything quiet."

In his telegram to the War Department announcing the death of Smith, which is dated Havana, January 20, Col. Bliss said that Smith's leg was amputated January 18, and he died the following evening. Col. Bliss asked if he should send the remains to the United States.

Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn replied to him by telegraph as follows:

"Recent orders of department preclude removal to this country, at the public expense, of the remains of civil employes in the insular service."

Very little is known at the War Department regarding the history of the deceased collector, beyond the fact that he served in the Spanish war as second lieutenant of the 2d U. S. Volunteer Infantry; that he was mustered out June 22, 1899, and that he resided at New Orleans. He had been collector of customs at Gibara for a few months only, and had given general satisfaction in his administration of the affairs of the office.

TO AID PORTO RICO.

Senate Committee Discusses Free Trade With the United States.

The Senate committee on Porto Rico and the Pacific Islands held a long session Saturday and listened to arguments for and against free trade between Porto Rico and the United States. The Porto Rican commission appointed by the federal party, which recently arrived in this country, was heard. These gentlemen were all for free trade with the United States, wanted a territorial form of government, desired United States currency as the standard and wanted a loan authorized. Most of them favored an extended suffrage and believed that under the United States fair elections could be held.

Henry Oxnard of Nebraska argued against free trade because of the effect it would have upon the beet sugar interests.

Mr. Hill of Louisiana, representing the cane sugar growers, took the same view.

Mr. Frye of Connecticut opposed free trade on account of the effect upon tobacco interests.

Herbert Myrich made a general argument against free trade between the United States and Porto Rico because of the effect it would have upon the agricultural interests of the United States.

Major Ames, who was for a long time military officer of the island, gave some information concerning health conditions there.

DR. WITMER'S SUCCESSOR.

A Civil Service Examination to Be Had This Week.

There will be a civil service examination this week to fill a vacancy in the medical staff of St. Elizabeth's Asylum. The position pays $1,200, and one of the conditions is that the applicant shall have had at least five years' hospital experience.

Dr. Richardson of Ohio, the newly appointed superintendent, has recently brought a medical friend from Ohio to the institution and has put him in charge of Dr. Witmer's work. It is understood the staff at the hospital have protested against this. The new doctor will have to take an examination, however, unless the civil service rule is violated, as, it is claimed, it was when Dr. Richardson was appointed.

Injury to Gen. Drum.

Gen. Richard C. Drum, formerly adjutant general of the army, met with an accident at his home, "Langdrum," near Bethesda Park, Md., Friday night which will confine him to his home for some time. He made a misstep on the front porch and fell a distance of seven feet to the brick sidewalk, dislocating his wrist and causing a simple fracture of the forearm. Although seventy-five years of age, it is believed he will recover rapidly from his injuries.

Training Men for the Navy.

The old wooden corvette Mohican has been turned over to the naval training service and will be used in practice cruises on the Pacific coast. There are now 14,80 men on the rolls of the navy, being 2,700 below the legal limit. Owing to the pressing demand for more sailors to man the new ships soon to be put in commission, the department has adopted the policy of educating landsmen on training vessels, so as not to be compelled to depend entirely on the regular recruiting stations. A new recruiting station is to be opened in Philadelphia and three have been recently put in operation in Detroit, Chicago and Cleveland.

Movements of Naval Vessels.

The Scindia has left San Francisco for Guam.

The Chicago has arrived at Ensenada and the Vixen has sailed from Cape Henry.

CRIMINAL PRACTICE

Verdict of Jury in Case of Henrietta Speier.

A LOCAL PHYSICIAN IMPLICATED

Required to Give Bond Pending Action of Grand Jury.

THE EVIDENCE SUBMITTED

Coroner Carr held an inquest today in the case of Miss Henrietta Speier, who died at Columbia Hospital Friday afternoon, under alleged suspicious circumstances. The jury found from the evidence that the woman was the victim of an alleged abortion. The jury held that Dr. Samuel S. Bond, the physician referred to in the testimony, should be held for the action of the grand jury, because of his alleged connection with the case.

Miss Speier, who formerly lived in New York, was employed in the government printing office. She was in the bindery, where she had worked for several years. She had a room at the house of Mrs. Gubish, 604 12th street northwest. After having been sick two days she was removed to Columbia Hospital, where she soon died.

Before being taken to the hospital she told Dr. Allen of her downfall and mentioned the name of the accused doctor as having performed an operation on her. After the verdict was rendered Detective Boyd took charge of Dr. Bond and went with him to the district attorney's office, as he desired to discuss the question of giving bail for his appearance. Detective Boyd was detailed on the case yesterday.

This afternoon the services over the woman's body were held at J. W. Lee's undertaking establishment, 332 Pennsylvania avenue. Rabbi Stern officiated. The body was interred in the Hebrew cemetery, beyond Anacostia. Mr. J. S. McKenna, a friend of the Speier family, from New York, was present at the inquest and funeral. The inquest was held at Lee's undertaking establishment.

Result of Autopsy.

Deputy Coroner Glazebrook testified that he performed the autopsy on the body of Miss Speier Saturday afternoon. The woman's face showed that she had undoubtedly suffered intense pain. Death, he said, was the result of blood clot following the woman's being delivered of a child. He could not tell from the conditions found whether the deliverance was the result of criminal conduct or from natural causes.

Dr. Jacob S. Allen, No. 666 G street northeast, testified that he was first called to treat Miss Speier in June, 1897, when she had malarial fever. A year latter she called on him for treatment. Then she told him of her previous condition, from which she was still suffering. Miss Speier, the doctor said, talked with him on two occasions when she did not come to him for treatment. Last year he treated her for asthma. About Christmas he was summoned to her house, but for reasons of his own he declined to go. Between Christmas and New Year day she called to see him and admitted to him that she was in trouble. She begged him to treat her, offering him $25 in cash and a diamond pin. He told her he could treat her for no such trouble and she left.

Last Thursday, the witness said, he received a message from the woman. When he went to see her she told him it was all over; that she had been seeing a doctor and she had worked until Tuesday. The doctor who had treateed her, she told him, had told her to call her family physician.

"Did she tell you the name of the doctor who had treated her?" inquired the coroner.

"Yes, sir," answered the witness, "but I wouldn't like to tell his name unless I am compelled to do so."

"That's a very important thing for the jury," said the coroner.

The name of the physician was then given to the jury.

Number of Visits.

Miss Speier, the doctor said, told him she visited the office of the physician named eight or nine times, and that the doctor had used instruments on her.

When witness called at the house on 12th street Thursday, the time the statements were made to him, witness said he did not even examine the woman.

Dr. L. S. Nicholson, 608 12th street northwest, testified that in December, 1898, he was summoned to see Miss Speier, who complained of an attack of acute indigestion. About last Christmas he was called to see the woman, who then made a similar complaint. He heard no more of her until last Wednesday, when he found her in about the same condition. He then told her that she would have to send for her family physician. After giving her treatment he left. That night he saw her again. Thursday morning about 7 o'clock he was again called, and then he went and telephoned for Dr. Allen for her. Again in the afternoon he was summoned, and he told her he could not take her case, as he was not a regular practitioner. He was told that another physician would be summoned.

Witness found the woman was getting worse, and he questioned her, he thought, rather closely. She told him she was taken sick at the office, and she stopped at the office of a physician, who gave her a prescription. Friday morning Dr. Atkinson was summoned, and he recommended that the patient be sent to the hospital. When an ambulance called witness accompanied the woman to the hospital, where she died.

Miss Speier, he said, lived in the house where he had a room. She persistently refused to allow witness to make an examination.

Responds to Call.

Dr. Wade Atkinson, 805 12th street northwest, testified that he called on Miss Speier Friday morning, in response to a note from Dr. Nicholson. When he reached the house he found the patient in a prostrated condition. Witness advised that she be sent to the hospital, but she objected to going.

Mrs. Emma Gubish, 604 12th street, in whose house Miss Speier had a room, testified that the latter was sick Wednesday. She went to work, but returned home. Witness told of a hemorrhage that Miss Speier had and said she suffered intense pain. The woman lived in her house about six months and had been sick three times. Miss Speier never mentioned Dr. Bond's name to her.

Betty Kelly, colored, 409 Warner street, told the jury that she did Miss Speier's washing for her. She knew nothing of her illness until after her death.

Dr. Samuel S. Bond, 818 New Jersey avenue, testified that he knew nothing of the case except what he had seen in the newspapers. He said he never had a patient of the name of Henrietta Speier. Dr. Bond viewed the body and said he did not remember of ever having seen the deceased before. He added that to his knowledge he had never seen the woman's face before he saw it in the coffin. If she had been in his office he thought he would have remembered. No woman ever offered him a diamond pin to perform an operation.

Never Accepted Collateral.

Dr. Bond said he had never accepted collateral security from patients, although it had sometimes been offered. He said that many women called at his office for treatment, the same as at other doctors' offices, but he did not always register their names. Sometimes in severe cases he asked strangers their names.

Detective Boyd was present at the inquest, but he did not give testimony.

Caskets Not Needed in Cuba.

Quartermaster General Ludington is informed that the transport McClellan arrived at New York Saturday afternoon from Santiago, with the remains of seventy-six soldiers who died from yellow fever in Santiago province last summer and spring, and 375 metallic caskets, which are destined to the Philippines. These caskets were sent to Santiago when there was a large force of troops there, and were brought home when the withdrawal of the principal part of the military force precluded the possibility of their further use in that quarter. They will probably form part of the cargo of the next troop ship leaving New York for Manila.

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RELIGIOUS CUSTOMS IN CHINA.

Address by Rev. Ingle at St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral.

Missionary work in China was the subject of an entertaining address yesterday at St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral Church by Rev. Addison Ingle, a missionary in the flowery kingdom. Mr. Ingle is a native of this country. He has been engaged in missionary work for fourteen years. He spoke of the social and religious customs in China and dwelt upon the work of the missionaries. It was difficult, he said, to get a native to attend a Christian church and listen to a discourse by a foreign minister. When they did go it was to be amused to hear the efforts