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The most prosperous merchants in Washington are those who advertise in The Times.

Its morning and evening editions afford merchants such an opportunity as is presented by no other medium in this city.

The Times carries no business of merchants who advertise merely because they always have.

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The Times asks for business on merit only. Its circulation is fully 25 per cent greater than that of any other paper published in Washington.

and affects more trade than all others combined.

The Times is the paper of the people—people who read advertisements and who spend their money in Washington.

The circulation of The Times for the week ending November 17 was as follows:

Table showing circulation statistics for The Washington Times from Monday, Nov. 11 to Sunday, Nov. 17, 1895. Total circulation for the week is 233,799.

I solemnly swear that the above is a correct statement of the daily circulation of THE WASHINGTON TIMES for the week ending November 17, 1895, and that all the copies were actually sold or mailed for a valuable consideration and delivered to bona fide purchasers or subscribers; also, that none of them were returned or remain in the office undelivered.

J. M. MILTON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of November, A. D. 1895. ERNEST G. THOMSON, Notary Public.

SOME INCIDENTAL QUESTIONS.

It may seem strange, to one who has not studied the question, that the laboring men of the District and the conservative business element, do not want to see \$7,500,000, or \$12,000,000, or \$16,000,000, or whatever the bond schemers finally propose, devoted in a lump sum, and within a comparatively short time, to any improvements in the District.

Feasible plans have been presented whereby an annual sum could be raised sufficient to maintain work on a sewerage system and street improvements within the city. The raising of this money would not entail any burden of usury, in fact it need not be larger than the annual interest payments.

Under this plan the taxpayers would have a principal of seven or ten millions of dollars and local laboring men, who pay rent or taxes and who buy goods here, would be given continuous employment for years to come.

There would seem to be no reason in municipal engineering and financing why such a plan or one similar to it is not entirely feasible. The Times will have more to say on this subject after the people have had their say on the main question at issue, viz., the spending of money for the improvement of taxpayers' city property or the improvement of sparsely-populated speculators' property.

The foregoing statement of the evils incident to an influx of foreign cheap labor may seem overdrawn to some, but its force will be recognized by those old citizens who remember the condition of the city under the Shepherd administration, good as it was. At that time it was imperatively necessary that improvements be made, and be made quickly. The percentage of the unemployed population was then comparatively small and the employment of outside contractors and their gangs

worked no marked injustice to local men. These conditions are now changed. The work to be done can be advantageously accomplished by local labor, even though its completion would be somewhat delayed. However, let the main question be decided. Say what you think and say it with a ballot in a Times bond bill ballot box.

Do you think District taxpayers should go into debt for city sewerage and street improvements? Yes, or No? Do you think District taxpayers should go into debt for street extension and improvements outside the city proper? Yes, or No?

LOUISIANA AVENUE MERCHANTS. The commission merchants on Louisiana avenue, between Ninth and Tenth streets, appear to have good ground for their protest against the order directing the removal of their goods from the sidewalk. There does not seem to be any reason for requiring them to do something which will not merely interfere seriously with their convenience, but make it almost impossible for them to transact their business properly, if at all.

Enforcement of the order, which, though there be a law on the subject, rests largely within the discretion of the Commissioners, might be justified, if there had been a great deal of complaint about obstruction of the sidewalks or of bad odors from the wares exposed, or for any other good and sufficient cause. But the sidewalks of that part of Louisiana avenue are probably wider than any other in the city, and more than one-half of them is left free for pedestrians. The produce exposed for sale is clean and fresh and free from disagreeable odors.

MONOPOLY STOCK SHRINKING. It is evident, from the news columns of The Times this morning, that the warfare waged by this newspaper against the humiliating monopolies of this city has not been without effect.

The creation in sentiment which shall finally crystallize into legislation is, of course, the point towards which The Times is striving. But it is interesting to know that the value of the stocks of the Washington Gaslight Company, the Georgetown Gas Company and the United States Electric Lighting Company show a total shrinkage of more than \$200,000 during the past fifty days.

When investors begin to suspect that in the near future the present plundering of the people by these corporations must be modified or cease, then the vitality of reform in this direction receives real recognition.

TOO MUCH SPREAD OUT.

The more the record of recent thefts and robberies in the District is investigated and references had to the available police force, the more one marvels that the exhibition of misdeeds is so limited. For all practical purposes, whole sections of the city are given up to the burglar and highwayman to work his own sweet will, while in others his vocation is only semi-occasionally interfered with. The police are not to blame, for they cannot accomplish the impossible. Even the most elastic of our "cops" finds it difficult to spread himself all over several square miles of ground.

According to the latest statistical information gathered by The Times there are just 366 policemen available for active patrol duty. Of these 183 are on duty at night and 92 in the day time. It appears therefore that the average patrolling force at night is two and one-half men to one square mile, and in the day one and one-third men to the square mile. In other words, after dark an area bounded by Pennsylvania avenue on the south, I street on the north, First street on the east, and Thirteenth street on the west is patrolled by two or three policemen.

Figures tell, says a popular adage. These figures certainly do tell a story that carries conviction. It is a physical impossibility for the men to either properly guard property or to assist citizens who may fall into the clutches of thugs. It is anything but a pleasant fact to contemplate that a city as large as Washington, the Capital of the Nation, should be almost helpless in the matter of keeping the criminal element in check. What makes the matter worse is that the prevailing condition is due to nothing but Congressional negligence. The revenues of the District are ample to warrant a police force large enough for the most efficient service which the ingenuity of the authorities can devise.

It is not enough that the Commissioners ask for 200 additional policemen for the next fiscal year. They ought to be supplied at once, and even then there will be barely enough to go around.

Chicago should get an adequate fire department to protect her "fire-proof" skyscrapers.

A highway robber, who plied his vocation near Wilmington, has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment, two hours in the pillory, forty lashes at the whipping post, and in addition was fined \$300. Delaware's laws have rather an ultramarine tint.

A fiddler was recently lynched out West for stealing a horse. It was a pathetic execution on one string.

It is doubtful whether Senator Sherman's book will have as large a sale as Trilby. We are waiting to hear what Messrs. Biehl and Wiggins have to say about the new comet.

While they are engaged in calling Abdul Hamid bad names, why not end it all by calling him down?

Lost, strayed or stolen—a blizzard. Finder will kindly take it to the Weather Bureau ice box. The present temperature would spoil it.

Advertisement for Saks and Company featuring the slogan "We've taken Matters in our Own hands" and listing various men's suits and overcoats with prices. Includes illustrations of men in suits and a decorative border.

GAINES CASE ABOUT TO END.

Justice Fuller announces that the New Orleans Appeal is Dismissed. The famous Myra Clark Gaines case, it is believed, was finally ended in the Supreme Court of the United States yesterday.

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STOLE OLD REVENUE STAMPS.

Charles Edwards, colored Treasury Watchman, Arrested. Charles Edwards, colored, a watchman in the Treasury, was arrested on Thursday night by a deputy United States marshal and taken to jail on the charge of having stolen old revenue stamps from public documents and then having destroyed the documents in an effort to conceal his crime.

City Engineer kills Himself. Boston, Nov. 23.—City Engineer Horace L. Eaton of Somerville, committed suicide this morning. He was under investigation by a special committee of the board of aldermen.

Grape and Bark Bitters for Malaria. Every one knows the value of the grape as a luscious and healthful fruit. Aunt Rachel's Malaria Bitters is the ultimate of the Grape Juice; it is its properties, mildly diuretic, and bitter and tonic. More than seven-eighths is the pure juice of the grape, simply made bitter by Peruvian Bark, Chamomile Flowers, Snake Root, &c., and will cure Malaria Fever if used as directed.

Wine for the Communion Table. Speer's unfermented grape juice preserved absolutely pure as it runs from the press without cooking or the addition of spirits or any substance in any form whatever. It is preserved by precipitating and extracting the ferment or yeast principle by fermentation.

Hubbard Brothers Convicted. Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 23.—Joseph and Robert Hubbard, brothers, were convicted in the circuit court today of killing William Lines, a young Englishman. Joseph Hubbard was found guilty of murder in the first degree and Robert of manslaughter. Lines was killed last Christmas.

SURE TO BE SHOT.

Absconded Alabama Judge Tried for Murder in Colombia. Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 23.—Last February Frank C. Randolph, who, for many years, held the office of probate judge of Montgomery county, disappeared, leaving a shortage of some \$40,000, and it was supposed that he had gone to South America. Several weeks ago rumors reached here that Randolph had murdered a wealthy merchant in the United States of Colombia. Two or three months ago he shot and killed, near Cali, an aged German merchant, named Charles Simmons. The consul said his conviction was practically certain. Since his incarceration the man had stated he was from Montgomery, that his family lived here, and he gave the name of his married daughter here. It is considered here that there is no question as to Randolph's identity.

Took the Wrong Delicacies. New York, Nov. 23.—Eugene Stahl, twenty-five years old, a delicatessen storekeeper at 373 Columbus avenue, at 9 o'clock this morning attempted suicide by taking a large quantity of Paris green. He was taken to Manhattan Hospital. Stahl has been drinking heavily of late.

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OCEAN STEAMERS.

FOR EUROPE and the Orient this winter. Mrs. M. A. CROSSLEY will conduct her tenth select European party through Spain, Greece, Turkey, islands of the Mediterranean, Asia Minor, Syria, Palestine, the Nile to the first contract, Italy, Switzerland, France, and England, leaving New York JANUARY 8, 1896, by express steamer NORMANIA. First class throughout. For itineraries, address Mrs. M. A. CROSSLEY, 786 Putnam ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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