

WASHINGTON TALK.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1, 1877.

General Ord, commanding Department of Texas, is in this city, and his coming has been productive of a partial revival of the Mexican sensation. He was yesterday at the State Department in company with Secretary McCrary and a long conference was had with Mr. Everts as to the future treatment of the Mexican cattle stealers, whose exploits have often been the subject of formal complaint on the part of our Government to that of Mexico. General Ord described their *modus operandi* and stated as his opinion that the raids could not be effectually broken up unless the commanding officer of our forces was authorized to pursue the thieves until captured even should it take them across the Rio Grande. It is understood that because of the inability or indifference of the Mexican Government in the matter, he has for months been tacitly permitted to do so to the extent necessary to recapture the property stolen, but not to inflict further punishment than was incidentally required for that purpose. The points yesterday discussed were whether the scope of his instructions should be so large as to include the healthy chastisement of the rascals. No conclusion was reached and the matter will be submitted to the cabinet's decision. If any instructions were asked or given in anticipation of an attempt to cross an invading force from this side it has not been made public. But it has come to be pretty generally believed that good progress has been made in the organization of such a force and that Lerdo will make a move, when ready, to dispossess Diaz of his usurper authority.

The yesterday's *Republican* in a tone of approval gave some particulars of the new party movement which stimulated the gossips, but received little credence. It stated that President Hayes and members of the Cabinet have during the past six weeks held a good many confidential conferences at the White House with prominent citizens and politicians of both parties, now supporters of his Administration, who came and went silently without attracting much attention to their movements, and it proceeds to say that a large meeting has been agreed upon at an early day in New York when the birth of the Administration party will be formally announced, celebrated and commanded to the public support. The most inconsistent and stupid part of the statement is in conclusion where it assures its readers, that the President, after being represented as taking a leading part in the matter, cannot be justly held responsible as he knows next to nothing about it. The *Star* of last evening refers to the gossip in an incredulous way, and reminds those interested that great parties are, to a large extent, spontaneous productions and cannot be drilled into existence for the convenience or gratification of any one. The statement telegraphed all over the country Friday night, bringing many requests for particulars in a few hours, to the effect that a Blaine party was formed the night previous at a meeting of a hundred and fifty eminent politicians, was founded upon the action of a half-dozen notoriety seeking men, wholly unknown to the public and supposed to have been disappointed and soured by their lack of success in applications for Departmental clerkships. They attempted to trade on Mr. Blaine's reputation, hoping thus to give tone to their proceedings. That, from the best attainable information, was all there was of it. The Ladies Mt. Vernon Association has been in session since Tuesday at the mansion, and expect to close their deliberations to-day when a full report of proceedings and of its financial condition is promised. The matter of transporting pilgrims from this city and return, has been under consideration the whole time of the meeting. This has considerable interest to Washingtonians as it has imposed some restraints on those desiring to visit Mt. Vernon in the past, although Captain Hollingshead, who has controlled it as a close monopoly for seven years, is personally very popular. His eight year contract expires next April, and several competitors have bid for the valuable privilege, some of them offering as high as 50 per cent. of fares collected.

Common Council.
LOWELL, Mich., June 4, 1877.
Regular meeting of the Common Council.
Present full Board.
The minutes of previous meetings were read and on motion approved.
On motion the board voted to enter into a contract with John Calkins to do a job of work on Jackson Street at Twenty Dollars.
Bills allowed:
Bill of H. E. Hogan Fire Fund \$ 8.00
" " J. H. Weeks Gen'l " 2.35
" " J. Calkins " " 11.60
" " J. Calkins Street " 144.95
" " P. King " " 61.64
On motion the Commissioner of High-

ways was granted permission to take gravel from the Village gravel pit for the purpose of graveling the road between the north end of the Lower Grand River Bridge and the corporation limits and for said road only.
On motion the Recorder was instructed to draft an ordinance prohibiting persons from driving teams on any sidewalk in the village and to submit to the same at the next meeting of the board.
J. H. WEEKS, Recorder.

The would-be robbers of the tomb of Abraham Lincoln have been found guilty and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary.
Judging from the accounts given in newspapers, Decoration Day observations were more general this year than ever before.

The lawyers in this country number 35,000. Chicago has 679, St. Louis 594, Baltimore 548, and Cincinnati 524. New York and Brooklyn have over 2,000, and Philadelphia 993.
The Ohio State Democratic convention for the nomination of a candidate for Governor and other State officers, will be held at Columbus, July 22. The candidates whom they will nominate are doomed to overwhelming defeat.

Senator Lamar agrees with Gov. Stone that it is desirable "not to stir up" the Kemper county massacre. Mr. Lamar is wrong and misses a grand opportunity to prove that he is the man the North has desired to regard him. That horrible affair must be stirred up, and thoroughly, before it can rest. It will be worse for those who try to cover it up.
What is the matter with Gov. Williams, of Indiana? The Democratic journals outside of Indianapolis are accusing him of being the tool of the "rings" at the capital, and are saying all sorts of ugly things about him. Perhaps the truth is leaking out gradually that it requires something besides blue jean breeches to make a capable executive.

Ohio can beat the world on anything. We point with pride to the fact that it is an Ohio idiot who writes to the *Washington Nation* solemnly demanding that John Sherman be "tried for treason," if he does not instantly cease making preparations for specie resumption. Can any other State show such an idiot as this? Pennsylvania has over a million of men doing their best to beat him, but the editor of the *Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette* is the only one who has come within sight of the distance post.

A few changes.
The Lansing *Republican* summarizes in lucid form, the changes in the school laws of the State, made during the session recently closed. Those of greatest importance are as follows:

The system of teachers' institutes are made general. Act 53 of this session requires the superintendent of public instruction, personally or through deputies, to hold a state institute once a year in every organized county containing more than 1,000 children of school age, and in any other county where fifteen teachers petition for such a meeting. In portions of the state sparsely settled, teachers from different counties may unite in asking for an institute. A state institute is to be held once in each year, open to all, but designed also to lay out the work given to the institute directors to be conducted in different portions of the state. It is desired to secure for the state institute the best educational lectures attainable in the west. An annual appropriation of \$1,800 is made from the State treasury for the general work. Further resources are obtained by taking a fee of \$1 from each male teacher granted a certificate to teach and fifty cents from each female teacher. A registration fee of fifty cents is also required from those attending the institutes.

Act 77 of this session amends act 230 of 1875 by providing that no district shall be divided and no two districts consolidated except by consent of a majority of the resident tax-payers. This clause is not to be construed as prohibiting the transfer of a single piece of real estate from one school district to another by the board of inspectors.
Act 173 of this session places additional limitations in the power of school districts to borrow money by providing that no indebtedness shall be contracted to run for a longer period than ten years.

PROBATE ORDER.
State of Michigan, County of Kent, ss.
At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Kent, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, on Saturday, the second day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.
Present—Cyrus E. Perkins, Judge of Probate.
In the matter of the estate of Spencer Sligh deceased.
On reading and filing the final account of Edwin A. Crow Administrator of said Estate, thereupon it is ordered, that Henry the twenty-fifth day of June next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon be and is to be the day for the hearing of said account and the settlement thereon and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at the hearing of said account, then to be held at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed, and if it is further ordered, that said administrator, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the *Lowell Journal*, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county of Kent, three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, a true copy.
Cyrus E. PERKINS, Judge of Probate.
(A True Copy) J. M. Weatherwax, Register.

PROBATE ORDER.
State of Michigan, County of Kent, ss.
At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Kent, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, on Friday, the eighth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.
Present—Cyrus E. Perkins, Judge of Probate.
In the matter of the estate of Mary W. Perry, deceased.
On reading and filing the petition duly verified of Milton W. Perry of Lowell in said County praying for the probate of the instrument heretofore filed in this court purporting to be the last will and Testament of said deceased, and that the executor thereof and administration of said Estate may be granted to him, he being sole executor in said will named.
Thereupon it is ordered, that Monday the eighth day of June next at ten o'clock in the forenoon a hearing of said petition and all those and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at the hearing of said petition, then to be held at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petition should not be granted.
And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the *Lowell Journal*, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Kent, three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, a true copy.
Cyrus E. PERKINS, Judge of Probate.
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Bargains for Prints—Good Dark Prints 4c, and 5c. Best Sprague Prints, 6 Cents.
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PROBATE ORDER.
State of Michigan, County of Kent, ss.
At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Kent, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, on Wednesday the sixth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.
Present—Cyrus E. Perkins, Judge of Probate.
In the matter of the estate of Joseph K. Hoffman deceased.
On reading and filing the petition, duly verified of Martha K. Hoffman, widow of said deceased, praying that administration of said Estate may be granted to Alexander Stahl of Boston in said County.
Thereupon it is ordered, that Tuesday the 6th day of June next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon be and is to be the day for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at the hearing of said petition, then to be held at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petition should not be granted.
And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the *Lowell Journal*, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Kent, three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, a true copy.
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