

## JUDGES DECIDE WINNERS TONIGHT.

Last Day of Gazette's European Con-  
test Was Surprise to  
Everyone.

CONTEST WAS GREAT SUCCESS.

Everything Is Speculation and Con-  
jecture at this Time Until Ballots  
Are Counted Tonight.

### THE JUDGES:

Rev. Edgar Carpenter, rector of  
Grace Church.  
Arthur Herbert, of Burke & Her-  
bert, bankers.  
Walter C. Foster, attorney-at-law.  
George L. Appich, of Thompson &  
Appich, real estate.  
J. Sutton Jones, manager Southern  
Bell Telephone Company.

### Contest Closed.

The office of the Alexandria Ga-  
zette presented a scene of intense  
activity and interest yesterday and  
last night during the closing hours  
of the greatest contest ever conducted  
by any newspaper in this section of  
the State, and promptly at 9 o'clock  
the ballot box was locked and sealed  
in the presence of the judges, to be  
opened by them at 7 o'clock tonight  
in the Alexandria Gazette office, when  
the work of determining the three  
fortunate winners of the great Euro-  
pean Tours and the other special  
prizes will be commenced.

### Last Day a Hummer.

Although the large number of  
young ladies engaged in the contest,  
assisted by numerous friends, had  
worked faithfully for the past seven  
weeks in this city and throughout this  
section, meeting with great success,  
the closing day proved a record-  
breaker and subscriptions to the Al-  
exandria Gazette accompanied by  
the cash, were poured into the busi-  
ness office, keeping the contest man-  
ager and his assistants and the en-  
tire office force very busy. When  
the evening shades appeared the of-  
fice presented a scene not unlike elec-  
tion night. The room was filled by  
the contestants and their friends,  
and all were doing their utmost to  
swell the total vote of those in the  
great race for the goal.

For some time before the polls  
closed many had become intensely in-  
terested in the outcome of the event  
and filled the office. When 9 o'clock  
arrived the manager of the contest  
declared the voting closed, locked and  
sealed the ballot box, handed the  
key to the judges, and the box, con-  
taining the hopes and fears of nearly  
thirty energetic young ladies, as well  
as the results of their labors for the  
past seven weeks, was locked in a  
bank vault, there to remain until the  
judges convene tonight to determine  
and declare the result.

Today all the subscriptions are be-  
ing verified by the circulation depart-  
ment, and recorded in the contest  
subscription books for the inspection  
of the judges at 7 o'clock tonight.

### Who Will Win?

The young lady who has the most  
votes in each of the several districts  
will be one of the three contestants  
who will be awarded the tours and  
will enjoy the trip with several hun-  
dred other newspaper "contest girls."

### All Is Now Speculation.

Who those fortunate ones will be  
will be told by the Alexandria Gazette  
in its next issue, providing the judges  
finish their work in time. At present  
all is speculation and conjecture. The  
contest is so very close in some of  
the districts, perhaps in all three of  
them, that even the contest manager  
was unable to name the win-  
ners in advance of the decision of the  
judges, even were he disposed to do  
so. All the anxious ones can do is  
to patiently await the announcement  
by the judges.

One lady's votes at a time will be  
counted and just as soon as the judges  
find out the total of the vote of each  
lady it will be announced then, so that  
the candidates and their friends who  
are present, can keep right up with  
the judges, and in this way there will  
be something doing all the time. The  
work of counting the ballots will be a  
tedious one and the contest man-  
ager has the assurance that the  
judges will make the count as rapidly  
as possible, and will render their de-  
cision as soon as it can be done in

fairness to all concerned.

Thanks to All.

The management of the Alexandria  
Gazette and of the contest want to  
thank all of the ladies and their  
friends, who worked so hard to make  
the contest the success that it has  
been. While all cannot win, the ladies  
who have worked in the lost  
cause feel that the experience they  
have had in this battle of ballots has  
been well worth the effort put forth  
by them. They have, if nothing else,  
found out who their friends are. Not  
friends by profession, but friends by  
example and precept. The manage-  
ment has but one regret, and that is  
that a tour of Europe can not be  
awarded to all who have worked so  
hard. They did nobly. They deserve  
great credit for what they have done.

### COURT NOTES.

In the Corporation Court, Judge  
Barley, today judgment was rendered  
for the defendant in the case of the Na-  
tional Publishing Company vs. S. A.  
Bryant. The case had been removed  
from a magistrate's court.

Mary J. Marshall qualified as admin-  
istratrix of the estate of Alred B. Mar-  
shall.

In the clerk's office the following  
deeds were recorded: James B. Sam-  
uels to Fred G. Ayers, transferring to  
the latter a house and lot 1211 Prince  
street; Thos. A. Groves to G. T. Klip-  
stein conveying to the latter 921 King  
street; C. T. L. Klipstein to Thos. A.  
Groves conveying to the latter four  
houses on the north side of Montgomery  
street, between Alfred and Patrick;  
George A. Paff, trustee, et al. to W. E.  
Swan conveying to the latter house and  
lot on the north side of King street, be-  
tween Pitt and Royal.

### DEATH OF MR. WILMER

Mr. Joseph Wilmer a prominent re-  
sident of Rapidan, Virginia, died at his  
home "Horseshoe" near that place  
yesterday afternoon after a long illness.  
Mr. Wilmer was a son of Bishop P. B.  
Wilmer of Louisiana. Mr. Wilmer  
took an active part in the work of the  
Episcopal Church of Virginia being for  
many years a member of the Virginia  
Diocesan Council. He was also a lay  
representative in general conventions  
from the Diocese of Virginia attending  
all of its meetings. Mr. Wilmer was  
a member of the Board of Trustees of  
the Theological Seminary near this  
city. He was a gentleman of the old  
school and had many friends and  
acquaintances throughout the State of  
Virginia, Baltimore and the State of  
New York.

### EAGLES DANCE

One of the most successful dances  
of the season was given last night by Alva  
Aerie No. 871 of the Fraternal Order  
of Eagles in the Elks Auditorium on  
Prince street. It was the first dance  
given by this organization and it proved  
to be an unqualified success. The  
floor was filled to overflowing with  
members of this popular organization  
and their friends, more than two hun-  
dred couples being present. Cohen's  
orchestra furnished the music. The  
following committees were in charge:  
Committee of Arrangements, Thomas  
D. Downey, Chairman; C. E. Hantz-  
mon, Secretary; Wm. W. Welker.  
Floor Committee: H. Friedlander,  
Chairman; Ferd. Knight, W. G. Cox.  
Reception Committee: J. T. Luck-  
ett, Chairman; H. E. Chapman, Thos.  
D. Downey, C. E. Hantzmon, Wm. W.  
Welker.

### BODY FOUND

The body of an unidentified white  
man was found floating in the Potomac  
off Fort Hunt, Va., shortly before noon  
today. Soldiers at the fort put out in a  
row boat and towed the body to the  
government wharf where it was tied to  
one of the supports. The harbor police  
boat Vigilant started down the river  
at 12 o'clock to bring the body to  
Washington.

From the description of the body it  
might be that of Edward N. Hopewell,  
a young attorney, who disappeared on  
February 5 from his home in Wash-  
ington. The body had been in the  
water some time.

The place where the body was dis-  
covered floating is almost the identical  
spot where the body of Mrs. Robert  
Greaver, wife of the Rev. W. H.  
Greaver, of Columbia, S. C., was  
found about a week ago.

### OFFER OF MEDIATION

London, April 16.—A Reuter dis-  
patch from Constantinople states  
that the powers today made overtures  
to the Sublime Porte, offering medi-  
ation in the Turko-Italian War. The  
effort to bring out a basis for medi-  
ation, it is stated, was believed un-  
successful.

### Miss DeAubigne's Address.

An appreciative audience gathered  
in the Second Presbyterian Church  
last night to hear the address of Miss  
I. Merle de Aubigne, daughter of the  
historian of the Reformation.  
Miss DeAubigne was listened to  
with close attention.

## GLOOM CAST OVER THE COMMUNITY.

Death of Hubert Snowden one of the  
Saddest Event in History  
of City

MAYOR ISSUES PROCLAMATION

Funeral Tomorrow Afternoon from  
Christ Church Will Be Largely At-  
tended—City Offices to Close.

The death of Hubert Snowden, pres-  
ident of the Common Council, and  
one of Alexandria's most prominent  
citizens, which took place yesterday  
afternoon at 3:40, cast a gloom over  
the entire city of Alexandria. In all  
of the history of this old city, no  
death ever caused such universal re-  
gret, and until midnight last night  
little groups of men stood on the  
street corners and talked of his un-  
timely end.

Mr. Snowden's serious condition has  
been known for several days by his  
intimate friends, but they had hoped  
up to the last moment that he would  
recover. Every report from his bed-  
side yesterday was eagerly watched  
for, but none came that brought any  
comfort to his sorrowing friends.

When the bulletin announcing his  
death was posted at the Gazette  
building a few seconds after he had  
passed away, it was surrounded by  
a large crowd, and from every mouth  
there was no note but one of deep  
regret.

The first official action in regard to  
his death took place last night when  
the city democratic committee met  
to arrange the details of the primary  
to be held next Tuesday for the  
election of a mayor and members of  
the city council. On account of the  
fact that Mr. Snowden was a candi-  
date in that primary for the office  
of mayor, the committee adjourned  
without transacting any business.

This morning Acting Mayor Frank  
F. Marbury issued a proclamation or-  
dering all of the city offices to be  
closed tomorrow at noon and the  
bells rung at the hour of the funeral.  
The funeral will take place tomor-  
row afternoon at four o'clock from  
Christ Church, of which Mr. Snow-  
den was a vestryman, and the officiat-  
ing clergymen will be Rev. W. J.  
Morton, rector of Christ Church, and  
Rev. Berryman Green, of the Theo-  
logical Seminary.

The following will be pallbearers:  
William P. McKnight, Luther H.  
Thompson, Harry R. Burke, William  
E. Fendall, George S. French, George  
Uhler, John B. Waller, F. F. Marbury,  
E. F. Price and Thomas W. Robinson.

Previous to the church service Al-  
exandria-Washington Lodge of Ma-  
sons will hold a special communica-  
tion at three o'clock, in the Masonic  
temple and from there they will  
march in a body to the residence of  
the deceased on South Lee Street.

The interment will be private.  
As announced elsewhere in the Ga-  
zette, a special meeting of City Coun-  
cil will be held tonight for the pur-  
pose of passing appropriate resolu-  
tions out of respect to Mr. Snowden.

The death of Mr. Snowden has  
caused a serious question to confront  
the citizens of Alexandria so far as  
the mayoralty contest is concerned.  
Mr. Snowden was a candidate against  
Mr. A. D. Brockett and had received  
the assurances of a large number of  
citizens that he would receive their  
support. His death at this time leaves  
Mr. Brockett as the only candidate in  
the primary which is to be held next  
Tuesday. The time for the entering  
of names expired over a week ago,  
and under the existing rules of the  
committee no other candidate can  
enter the race at the present time.  
It is stated that some members of  
the committee favor extending the  
date of the primary and the opening  
of the race, so that another candi-  
date can be admitted who will rep-  
resent the principles for which Mr.  
Snowden stood. On the other hand,  
other members hold that it would be  
manifestly unfair to Mr. Brockett  
to extend the time and require him to  
go into another fight against a new  
man. The question may be discussed  
at a meeting of the committee which  
will be held after Mr. Snowden's fun-  
eral.

### LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mrs. Foster, wife of D. W. Foster, of  
Lincolnia, Fairfax county, died Sunday  
night, at her home in that county.  
The deceased, besides her husband, is  
survived by three sons and four daugh-  
ters.

A marriage license was issued in  
Washington to Frederick F. Cutter and  
Margaret W. Graham, of Alexandria.

The Retail Merchants' Association  
meets tonight.

Bessie Springs, colored, a respected  
colored woman of this city, died yester-  
day at 121 north Henry street. The  
deceased was 28 years old. She had  
been employed at the residence of  
John Watkins during most of her life.

Oriental Court No. 10, held a han-  
quet at the close of their meeting last  
night at James Wagner's dining rooms  
on north Royal street. All present  
greatly enjoyed themselves.

The United States authorities have  
given the contract for the alterations  
and repairs to the custom house and  
post office to Julian D. Knight, the  
contractor.

Alexandria Lodge of Elks held its  
regular weekly meeting last night in  
Masonic Temple.

A called communication of Alexan-  
dria-Washington Lodge of Masons will  
be held tomorrow afternoon at three  
o'clock.

The lecture of Father Delaney on  
"Macbeth" tonight at the Elks Hall  
promises to be one of the most interest-  
ing lectures that Alexandrians have  
ever had the opportunity to hear. It is  
for the benefit of the new Alexandria  
Hospital.

The Junior Auxiliaries of St. Paul's,  
Grace and Christ Churches are arrang-  
ing for a musical on Thursday evening  
April 18th in the Young People's  
Building. A number of persons repre-  
senting the best talent of Alexandria  
will be among the participants, and  
the proceeds will go towards the educa-  
tion of a young Chinese girl.

The Cardinal Yum Yum's will play  
the strong Regent team of the Northern  
Circuit Wednesday at 5 p. m. on north  
Alfred street.

### THE I. O. O. F. BAZAAR.

Interest in the Canton Fair contin-  
ues, notwithstanding there was a  
number of other attractions in the  
city. There was a good attendance  
last night.

The vote on some of the articles up  
to date is as follows:

Ladies' Gold Watch.	29
Miss V. Bittle.	29
Miss Cora Trenary.	25
Mrs. Lottie Campbell.	18
Mrs. Lyles.	5
Odd Fellows Ring.	27
N. R. Davis.	28
M. F. Mansfield.	27
Bath Cabinet.	25
Harry E. Arnold.	15
J. W. Minnamun.	15
C. E. Remington.	5
Rebekah Gold Jewel.	22
Mrs. Friedlander.	17
Mrs. Padgett.	17

Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5  
o'clock the hall will be open for chil-  
dren.

### A REMARKABLY LOW TIDE.

A writer in a Washington paper,  
who signs himself C. T. Tant, L street,  
in answer to a query from a correspon-  
dent, makes the following statement:

"Regarding the drought on the Po-  
tomac a good many years ago, I was  
a resident of Alexandria at the time,  
and, although I cannot recall the exact  
date, I remember perfectly the condi-  
tion of the river. On the afternoon of  
one day when the water had been very  
low I was surprised on going down to  
the wharf to find that only a small  
stream, more like a country creek than  
a river, was running in the channel.  
Its course was as crooked as a black  
snake on the run. About a dozen  
people on the Maryland side opposite  
Alexandria were walking all over the  
river bed hunting for miscellaneous ar-  
ticles. I can furnish you with the  
names of two or more persons who  
saw the same thing."

A number of Alexandria octogenar-  
ians as well as a few who are non-  
agenarians threw up the sponge after  
reading the above. There have been  
some phenomenally low tides in the  
Potomac in past years, but nothing ap-  
proaching that mentioned above can  
be recalled to the minds of any now  
living.

Planned to Sail on Titanic  
Paris, April 16.—Retiring United  
States Ambassador Bacon came near  
being a passenger on the ill-fated liner  
Titanic. The ambassador had planned  
to sail on the Titanic, but decided to  
take the new French liner France and  
accompany a French delegation that  
will visit the United States. It will  
be the maiden voyage of the France.

FOR SALE.—Cheap: a large room  
and wagon; have no further use  
for same. Apply to ERNEST HER-  
BERT, 429 Wilkes St. April 16-3t.

## GREATEST OF ALL MARINE HORRORS.

White Star Liner Titanic Sinks  
After Ramming Iceberg Early  
Sunday Morning

1,492 PERSONS ARE DROWNED

Canard Steamer Carpathia Rushing  
to Port With Over Eight Hundred  
Survivors Aboard.

New York, April 16.—Because of  
the variance between the official and  
unofficial reports, it was almost im-  
possible to say definitely at 10:30  
this morning just what the number of  
saved and lost was. The latest word  
received from Carpathia placed the  
number on her at 866. If all of the  
others were lost, the death list would  
number 1,492 as the manifest of the  
Titanic, telegraphed from London this  
morning, said there were 2,358 per-  
sons on board when the liner started.  
These were the latest definite figures.

The fatality of money in the face  
of the appalling tragedy that had over-  
taken the victims of the wreck was  
exemplified in the case of Mrs. Ben-  
jamin Guggenheim, whose millionaire  
husband was one of the missing. She  
importuned every one she could reach  
semi-hysterically demanding that  
something be done.

"For God's sake do something,"  
she demanded, of Vice-President  
Franklin, "if there is any chance do  
not let expense count. Can't you hire  
steamboats and rush them to the  
scene. There may be some boats  
still afloat and there may be men and  
women clinging to the wreckage."

She was assured that word had been  
sent to every steamer in the vicinity  
to comb the seas and see what they  
could do.

New York, April 16.—The White  
Star officials said at eight this morn-  
ing that the latest word they had from  
the scene of the wreck of the Titanic  
was that there were only 866 surviv-  
ors of the vessel's company. They  
were all on board the Canard Liner  
Carpathia which is hurrying with  
them toward this city. The company  
was receiving a list of the survivors  
relayed from the Olympic to the land  
stations.

New York, April 16.—At seven  
o'clock this morning the White Star  
Line received a Marconigram from the  
Carpathia stating that among the sur-  
vivors on board were Mrs. John Jacob  
Astor and maid; sending this word to  
Vincent Astor, her step-son, the ag-  
ents of the line said: "We hope to be  
able to tell you before long that your  
father is safe."

Charleston Navy Yard Wireless Sta-  
tion, April 16.—"Six hundred and fifty  
mostly women and children on board  
liner Carpathia, are the only ones  
saved from the Titanic. Others went  
down with ship and wreckage. Other  
rescue ships failed to find any more  
of Titanic's passengers."

This marconi message, relayed by  
at least two ships, and north of Cape  
Cod sent it within speaking distance  
of the United States wireless station  
here was picked up by navy wireless  
operators shortly before five o'clock  
this morning. The message was per-  
fectly clear, according to wireless op-  
erator Charles Kemper. It was twice  
repeated and is thought to be from a  
reliable source, although it was un-  
signed.

Cape Race, N. F., April 16.—About  
the only well known man whose name  
is contained in the list of survivors of  
the Titanic wreck picked up by the lo-  
cal wireless station was Bruce Is-  
may, managing director of the line.

Cape Race, N. F., April 16.—A wire-  
less picked up early today from the  
Olympic confirms the report that the  
Carpathia with survivors of the Ti-  
tanic, mostly women and children, is  
being rushed to New York. The mes-  
sage concludes:

"Grave fears are felt for the safe-  
ty of the balance of the passengers  
and crew."

New York, April 16.—The following  
wireless dispatches were given out at  
the office of the Canard Line:

"7:55 a. m., New York time, latitude  
41.45 north, longitude 50.20 west. I  
am proceeding to New York unless  
otherwise ordered with about 800. Af-  
ter having consulted with Mr. Ismay  
and considering the circumstances  
with so much ice about consider New

York best. Large number icebergs  
and twenty miles filled ice with bergs  
amongst. —"Rostron, commanding  
Carpathia."

This message came via Cape Race  
and was followed by another which ap-  
parently had preceded it and read as  
follows:

"7:20 a. m. April 16.—Titanic struck  
iceberg sunk Monday 3 a. m. 41.46  
north, 50.14 west. Carpathia picked  
up many passengers in boats. Will  
wire further particulars later. Pro-  
ceeding back to New York."

Montreal, April 16.—The last faint  
hope that more of the passengers and  
crew of the Titanic might have been  
saved went glimmering today when  
Capt. Gambell, of the Virginian re-  
ported to its agents here that his rescue  
trip had been fruitless.

"We arrived too late to rescue any-  
one," says Gambell, "and we are pro-  
ceeding to Liverpool."

This was accepted here as meaning  
that the only persons saved were those  
taken from the lifeboats by the Car-  
pathia.

New York, April 16.—Hope for the  
safety of passengers of the ill-fated  
Titanic which foundered early Monday  
morning off the Grand Banks of New  
Foundland, other than those reported  
by wireless by the Canard Carpathia  
are enroute to this city, was practi-  
cally abandoned this afternoon. Lat-  
est reports placed only 866 persons  
and they chiefly women and children  
on the Carpathia while even the offici-  
als of the White Star Line admitted  
there was practically no hope for the  
remaining 1,492 of the ship's company  
of 2,358 souls.

That all would have had a chance of  
safety had there been lifeboats and  
rafts enough was the general belief of  
navigators. But the liner, newest and  
greatest of trans-Atlantic ships, car-  
ried only twenty large, modern life  
boats and they were loaded to the gun-  
wales, with the women and children  
who, in accordance with the unwrit-  
ten law of the sea, had been put over  
the side first.

Most of the men were missing. Col.  
John Jacob Astor, Major Archie Butt,  
President Taft's aide; Benjamin Gugg-  
enheim; Jacques Futrelle; William  
T. Stead, F. D. Millet; Henry B. Har-  
ris—all of the well known passengers  
who had taken passage on the gala  
day of the Titanic's departure from  
her home port were not included in  
the list of those reported saved. The  
inference was that they had remained  
on the ship and gone to the bottom  
with her, a sacrifice to the custom  
which fails to compel enough life  
boats and rafts on ocean steamers to  
take off every one on board.

### FIRE THIS MORNING.

The alarm of fire at nine o'clock  
this morning was caused by an over-  
heated drum at the residence of Rob-  
ert S. Barrett, at 408 Duke Street.

The infant daughter of Mr. Bar-  
rett was in the room alone when the  
fire broke out, but was rescued be-  
fore she was injured. The Relief  
Hook and Ladder Co. was first on  
the scene and the blaze was exting-  
uished by the use of chemicals.

A damage of \$150 resulted, fully  
covered by insurance.

### COUNCIL MEETS TONIGHT.

Will Take Action in Respect to the  
Memory of the Late Hubert  
Snowden.

President Marbury and Vice-Pres-  
ident Smith have called meetings of  
the Board of Aldermen and Common  
Council for tonight for the purpose  
of expressing, as representatives of  
the people of Alexandria, the sincere  
sorrow felt by all at the death of  
Hubert Snowden, whose public serv-  
ice dates from early manhood.

Mr. Marbury, who is acting as May-  
or in the absence of Mayor Paff, has  
issued a proclamation, which will be  
found elsewhere in the Gazette, di-  
recting that the public offices be  
closed at noon tomorrow, the day  
upon which the funeral will take place  
and that the bell in the city hall and  
those in the engine houses of the city  
be tolled while the cortege is passing.

F. F. MARBURY,  
adv.-11. Acting Mayor.

### MARRIED.

On Tuesday, April 16, 1912, at the  
parsonage of St. Mary's Church, by  
Rev. L. P. Kelley, J. B. Izoe and Miss  
Mary Frances Adeock, both of this  
city.

### DEATH NOTICE.

At his residence, 627 S. Lee Street,  
Alexandria, Va., at 3:50 p. m. April  
15th, Hubert Snowden, age 61 years,  
son of the late Edgar Snowden. Fun-  
eral services from Christ Church  
Wednesday, April 17th, at 4 p. m. In-  
terment private.

## MEXICAN REBELS GAIN STRENGTH.

Secretary Stimson Hastily Summoned

From Today's Cabinet  
Meeting

AN UNUSUAL PROCEDURE

Conditions in Storm-Tossed Country  
Thought to Be Serious—City Cap-  
tured by Insurgents.

Washington, April 15.—Consider-  
able impetus was given to the Mexican  
situation today when Maj. Gen. Leon-  
ard Wood, chief of staff hastily enter-  
ed the White House and summoned his  
chief, Secretary Stimson from the  
cabinet meeting. The two stood in a  
corner of one of the corridors, convers-  
ing in whispers for several minutes.  
Stimson re-entered the cabinet room  
and acting Secretary of State Hun-  
nington Wilson was summoned to the  
White House by phone to discuss the  
Mexican situation. He was immedi-  
ately ushered into the presence of the  
cabinet which is an unusual proceed-  
ing. Maj. Gen. Wood evaded the  
newspaper man, declining to make  
any statement.

Dispatches from Mexico City re-  
ceived at the State Department today  
report that the rebels are gaining in  
strength in the states of Morelos and  
Guerrero. Culiacan has been captured  
by the rebels.

### MACHINISTS MATE DROWNED

Washington, April 16.—Wireless  
dispatches from Norfolk, Va., receiv-  
ed at the Navy Department report the  
drowning of Frank C. Henderson,  
machinist mate, second class, who  
jumped overboard from a steam launch  
of Sewalls Point, Va., yesterday, fol-  
lowing a boiler explosion. Henderson's  
body has not been recovered. He  
entered the navy from Cadillac, Mich.

### VENUS AND THE MOON.

Venus and the moon will be very  
close tonight, almost to what astron-  
omers call an occultation, but it will  
be visible only in parts of Florida and  
Georgia. If the weather is clear enough  
on a line drawn from Texas, through  
Arkansas, Ohio and New York, how-  
ever, Venus may be seen about eight  
minutes from the edge of the moon.  
Astronomers say the Naval Observatory  
in Washington say there will not be an  
absolute occultation.

On Wednesday there will be an  
eclipse of the sun, visible only in the  
Eastern part of the United States. The  
New England States, except a part of  
Connecticut and a portion of New  
York, will be the only part of the  
United States in which the eclipse will  
be visible completely, that is to say, in  
which the beginning, middle and end  
will all take place after sunrise.

### PROCLAMATION

As acting mayor of the city of Al-  
exandria, I deem it meet that proper  
respect should be shown the memory  
of the late Hubert Snowden by the en-  
tire community, and especially by  
those with whom he has labored long  
in official capacity. I am fully per-  
suaded that all who have been his  
coadjutors in conducting the affairs  
of this city will vie with me with all  
their hearts. I would recommend that  
as many as possible, apart from the  
city officials, manifest proper respect  
for the memory of the deceased. I  
therefore direct that the public offices  
be closed at noon tomorrow, the day  
upon which the funeral will take place  
and that the bell in the city hall and  
those in the engine houses of the city  
be tolled while the cortege is passing.

F. F. MARBURY,  
adv.-11. Acting Mayor.

### SPECIAL NOTICE.

A called communication of Alexan-  
dria-Washington Lodge No. 22, A. F.