THE EVENING STAR.

WASHINGTON CITY:
MONDAY..... JANUARY 18, 1864.

☞ READING MATTER ON EVERY PAGE. SEE OUTSIDE FOR INTERESTING TELEGRAPHIC AND OTHER MATTER.

OUR MILITARY BUDGET.

LARGE SALE AT ALEXANDRIA OF QUARTERMASTERS' STORES AND TRANSPORTATION MATERIAL.

Captain Robinson's quartermasters' sale at the military railroad depot in Alexandria, on Wednesday, of locomotives, car wheels, axles and railroad iron, was attended by representatives of the largest iron establishments in the country, from almost every loyal State. The prices obtained by the auctioneer, J. B. Van Zandt, were above the New York market, and scrap iron brought more than at any previous public sale. One hundred and eight tons of wrought scrap iron was sold to Oliver Ames & Sons, of Massachusetts, at $55.50 per ton; 152 tons cast scrap iron, to Alexander McDonald, of Alexandria, at $37.25; 271 tons old car wheels to Homer Ramsdell & Co., of Newburg, N. Y., at $45.50; 5 tons steel springs to Oliver Ames & Sons, at $127; 2 tons of sheet iron to William Melon, at $26; from 40 to 80 tons car axles to Homer, Ramsdell & Co., at $75.50; from 100 to 500 tons twisted, broken and worn out rails to Samuel A. Baldwin, at $60.80.

The unserviceable locomotives sold for a large price. The Indiana, without tank, sold to J. Cooper of Ohio, for $1,675; locomotive No. 1, without tender or tank, to J. Cooper, brought $1,625; Brattleboro, to J. Cooper, $2,050; Waterford, to J. Cooper, $1,800; Maryland, to J. T. Holohan, of Washington, $2,450; Fairfax, to J. A. Graham, of Mt. Savage Iron Works, Md., $2,075; Lexington, to E. Shore, $1,850; Champion, to Silas Seymour, $2,050. The Fairfax was the only engine left by the rebels on the Orange and Alexandria road. The aggregate sales amounted to about $80,000.

NEWS FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

The military commission now in session in Norfolk, of which Brigadier General J. L. Wistar is President, have investigated another model steamboat operation. The steamer Nellie Baker was chartered in February, 1862, at three hundred and fifty dollars per day. Captain A. W. Calden, Captain Charles Spear, and J. H. B. Long, all of Boston, were owners. The Nelly Baker cost them nineteen thousand eight hundred dollars. She was in the employ of the government about ten months, receiving one hundred and six thousand two hundred dollars charter money. She was then sold to the United States for forty-two thousand dollars, the owners realizing the sum of one hundred and forty-eight thousand dollars.

In addition to this, the profits derived from the sale of refreshments were about twenty-five dollars per day during the time that she was running from Old Point to General McClellan's army, and she got all her coal gratis from the government.

Another neat case is that of an old canal barge called the Miss Mary, which was worth from eight hundred to nine hundred dollars. She was chartered in November, 1862, at the exorbitant rate of twenty-five dollars per day, and remained in charter until she earned her patriotic owners four thousand dollars. She was nominally a prison hulk: but the evidence goes to show that she was used a very small part of the time.

Her owners were the noted John Coblens and John F. Pickerell, of Baltimore, who figured in the Grimes Committee investigation.

MEDICAL EXAMINERS APPOINTED.

The Commissioner of Pensions has appointed Dr. Cyrus K. Kelly Medical Examiner at Plymouth, N. H. Also, Dr. James H. Crombine to a similar position at Devry, N. H.

THE GOTTSCHALK CONCERT.—The sale of tickets for the Gottschalk concerts will commence to-morrow morning at Metzerott's music store, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 11th street. The troupe, which has just returned from a highly successful western tour, is now composed of such performers as Gottschalk, Mil'e Cordier, and Vis Serio Pa[illegible] with Behrens as musical director.

VIOLATING SPECIAL ORDERS No. 2.—D. C. Browman, proprietor of a liquor saloon, corner of 18th and N streets, was arrested on Saturday and confined to the Central guard-house, for violating special orders No. 2. His stock of liquors was confiscated and turned over to the property sergeant.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

FROM CHARLESTON.

Continued Shelling of the City—Gilmore Opening New Batteries.

FORTRESS MONROE, Jan. 16.—The Richmond papers at hand contain the following dispatches:

WILMINGTON, Jan. 11.—*To Gen. Cooper:* The steamer Dare was run ashore near Georgetown. After landing naval officers near Lockwood's Folly, she was chased off by the enemy and broke down. Her cargo was very valuable, consisting of military goods. There was heavy firing all day by eight of the enemy's gunboat's at Lockwood's Folly.

ORANGE, C. H., Jan. 12—Moseby is still harassing the enemy's rear but is reported badly defeated at Harper's Ferry, with some loss. The ice in Richmond is three inches thick.

The Richmond Sentinel of January 15th contains the following:

CHARLESTON, Jan. 11.—Three shells this morning, and six this afternoon, were thrown into the city. On the 10th eighteen shells were thrown into the city.

The enemy have opened two more embrasures, one bearing on the city and one on James Island.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 13.—The bombardment of the city has been continuous since the last report. A large number of transports filled with troops have been observed going south.

It is reported there is an increased fleet at Hilton Head.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 14.—The enemy have kept up a lively shelling all day. Since Tuesday night 471 shells have been thrown at the city, causing some damage but no casualties.

The enemy have unmasked two or three more Parrott guns at Fort Gregg. The shelling is still heavy this evening.

ORANGE COURT-HOUSE, Jan. 13.—The enemy are transferring one corps from our front to the Valley of Virginia.

Important to Drafted Men.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.—This morning, in the Supreme Court, the motion to dissolve the injunction heretofore granted [illegible] the Provost Marshal from taking drafted men was argued. Justices Strong, Read and Agnew delivered opinions in favor of the dissolution, and Chief Justice Woodward and Justice Thompson in opposition thereto.

☞ Speaker Colfax has issued an order forbidding the sale of liquor in the House wing of the capitol, and his order is being strictly enforced.

☞ The Portland Press is indignant at the proposition to exchange Neal Dow for the thirteen pianos he is alleged to have sent home from New Orleans.

☞ The Louisville Journal suggests that if dealers would double their dealing let them advertise and thus become, in a worthy sense, double-dealers.

☞ Archbishop Hughes, during his term of archpiscopary, ordained one hundred and two priests and consecrated no less than six bishops.

☞ Major B. Cameron, a paymaster in the army, died on Wednesday, at the residence of his father, Hon. S. Cameron, near Harrisburg.

☞ In the South they sell brandy for $3 without, or $3.50 with sugar, per drink. A drink is about a tablespoonful.

☞ Wednesday was a lively day in Wall street, the stock business footing up something like sixty thousand shares sold.

☞ At the present depreciated rates of rebel currency the soldier's pay is but fifty-five cents per month in gold.

☞ There are said to be sixty thousand negro troops already in the field.

☞ The riot claims offered for payment in New York number 2,348.

☞ Government pays $160 per head for its mules.

☞ Chicago has 92 churches and 1,192 liquor shops.

CONGRESSIONAL.

XXXVIIITH CONGRESS.—FIRST SESSION.

SATURDAY, January 16.

SENATE.—The Senate again proceeded to consider the amendments to the enrollment bill, when—

Mr. Fessenden said that the opinion expressed by him previously that the payment of commutation money did not release a State from draft was erroneous, and that the construction put upon the law by the Secretary of War was correct. He thought it impossible to construe the commutation clause in any other way than that the procuration of substitutes or the payment of commutation money exempted the States to that extent from draft.

Mr. Clark offered an amendment providing that the commutation shall be applied by the War Department for obtaining substitutes from the State from which the drafted persons hailed to fill the quota of that State.

A debate here ensued between Messrs. Harlan, Davis, Wilson, and Johnson, when—

Mr. Grimes moved that the word "white substitutes" be inserted in the bill. Rejected.

Mr. Doolittle offered an amendment providing that veteran troops re-enlisting shall be credited to the quota of the district in which they originally enlisted. Adopted—yeas 27, nays 11.

An amendment was adopted providing that the commutation paid by persons drafted shall be applied to the procurement of substitutes for that Congressional district, and that colored troops shall be credited to the State from which they have enlisted.

Mr. Trumbull offered an amendment requesting the President to call out and equip one hundred thousand men for one hundred days, with the single object of driving the rebel army from Virginia, and releasing the Union prisoners at and around Richmond.

Mr. Wilson wanted to know what a hundred thousand raw militia would be against Lee's veteran army? They would be of no account whatever.

On motion, the Senate ordered the bill to be printed as amended; and at 5 o'clock adjourned until Monday.

☞ GRAND ENTERTAINMENT.—*The Great Stereopticon*—Music and Poetic Readings, at Washington Theater, for benefit of Christian Commission and Families of District Volunteers. See future advertisement. ja 18-1t*.

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☞ THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the American Telegraph Company will be held at the office of Company, No. 145 Broadway, in the city of New York, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of January instant, at 12 o'clock m.
ja 13-1w CAMBRIDGE LIVINGSTON, Sec.

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☞ ASSEMBLY'S CHURCH FAIR
Will commence at
Odd Fellows' Hall, Seventh Street,
On TUESDAY, Jan. 12th,
And continue every night for two weeks.
ja 8 1st*

☞ GREAT FAIR TO BE HELD AT THE PATENT OFFICE BUILDING.—At a meeting of the Ladies' Relief Association for the the Benefit of Soldiers' Families and the Christian Commission, at the house of Mayor Wallach, January 6, 1864, it was

Resolved, That the President of the Association be specially instructed to notify the citizens of Washington through the city papers, not to contribute any money for the benefit of the Fair to any person not authorized by a commission to collect, signed by the President.

SELAH SQUIRES, Secretary.

In accordance with the foregoing resolution, I hereby give the notice required
ja9-tFeb1 B. B. FRENCH, President.

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ja 18 2t*

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ja 18-3t*

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OFFICIAL.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office, Washington, January 18, 1864.

The following-named officers, having been reported at the headquarters of the army for the offences herein specified, are hereby notified that they will stand dismissed the service of the United States unless, within fifteen (15) days from this date, they appear before the Military Commission in session in this city, of which Brigadier General Ricketts, United States volunteers is president, and make satisfactory defence to the charges against them, viz:

Absence without proper authority.

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Assistant Surgeon H. S. Taft, 105th Ohio volunteers.

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4 O'CLOCK P. M.

CONGRESSIONAL.

XXXVIIITH CONGRESS.—FIRST SESSION.

MONDAY, January 18.

SENATE.—Mr. Foster, from the Committee on Pensions, reported adversely on the petition of soldiers of the war of 1812, that their pensions may commence from the time of the beginning of their service.

Mr. Fessenden presented a petition from citizens of Brunswick, Maine, in favor of aid to the South American Steamship Company.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Military Affairs, reported the bill to promote enlistments in the United States Army, and for other purposes, with amendments.

Mr. Henderson, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, reported in relation to the small-pox in this District, with the same resolution as passed by the House, suggesting, as the judgment of the body, that the corporations of Georgetown and Washington, as a precautionary measure, furnish to all families at their residences the means of vaccination, and require the absence from the public schools of all children who have not been vaccinated. The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Anthony, from the Committee on Printing, reported in favor of printing 700 copies of all bills and joint resolutions, in order that the press may be duly supplied; which was adopted.

Mr. Sumner introduced a bill to remove all disqualification of color in carrying the mails. Referred to the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads.

Mr. Sumner introduced a resolution directing the Senate committee on slavery and freedmen to inquire into the condition of the freedmen at Freedom village, on Arlington Heights, Va.; which was adopted.

The resolution for establishing a new rule of the Senate, requiring all members to take the oath of loyalty prescribed by act of July, 1862, coming up in order, Mr. Sumner moved to postpone it until 12½ o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. Bayard, of Del., said he should desire, whenever it was taken up, to have such time as was necessary for a full expression of his views. After that he should take no further part in the debate, as the matter particularly affected his case.

Mr. Sumner's motion was agreed to.

Mr. Howe introduced a bill to establish a Bureau of Emancipation. He said he had not drawn it up himself, and though approving of its general objects, was not satisfied with some of its provisions. Referred to the Special Committee on Slavery.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill amendatory of the enrollment act was taken up before the expiration of the morning hour.

Mr. Anthony proposed modifications of the section in relation to ministers and all having conscientious scruples against bearing arms.

Mr. Sherman said he had received a letter from the Bishop of Ohio, indicating that as the commutation clause was to be retained, it would not be necessary to declare ministers non-combatants.

Mr. Harlan said that a minister had arranged the order of battle at Gettysburg, and they should not place disability on them.

Mr. Anthony wished to provide particularly for the Friends, who had not only conscientious scruples against bearing arms, but also against furnishing aid in any way to a war—objecting therefore to supplying money for the procuration of substitutes.

Mr. Doolittle said, under the bill such persons had the choice of either paying commutation or going into the hospital service and care of freedmen, and he presumed they had no scruples against helping sick and wounded soldiers.

Mr Sumner thought the suggested relief should be afforded to all who were conscientious on the subject, and mentioned the case of a young man who had been all his life opposed to physical force, who had been drafted, and having been brought down to Virginia with the regiment, was there tied up in the woods by a Major Cook, from Massachusetts, and punished till his health was greatly impaired.

The amendment was rejected, and after action on one or two others, the bill was passed—yeas 30, nays 10.

HOUSE.—Mr. Dawson submitted a preamble declaring that a great civil war like that which afflicts the United States is the most grievous of all national calamities, producing spoliation, bloodshed, anarchy, public debt, official corruption, and immorality; and whereas the American Government cannot rightfully wage war except for the sole purpose of restoring obedience to the Constitution and laws: Therefore,

Resolved, That the President be required, by proclamation or otherwise, to declare, whenever any State now in insurrection shall submit herself to the Government, as defined in the Constitution, all hostilities against her shall cease, and such State shall be protected from internal interference with her local laws, and the people fully guaranteed in all the rights which the Federal Constitution gives them.

Mr. Stevens moved to lay the proposition on the table, which was agreed to—yeas 79, nays 56.

Mr. Kelley of Pa., offered a resolution that the hall of the House be granted to the Christian Commission on the first of February, for holding a public meeting.

Mr. Cox objected, especially after the exhibition here on Saturday night, when the hall was abused by a person of whom he need not speak.

A similar resolution was subsequently adopted.

The House by a large majority laid upon the table a resolution instructing the Committee on Military Affairs to inquire into the expediency of exempting active clergymen of all denominations from the draft.

Mr. Cox offered a resolution proposing the appointment of a commission who can, by negotiation, reach the authorities South with a view to an immediate exchange of prisoners, taking the matter out of the hands of Major Gen. Butler, etc.

On motion of Mr. Washburn, the resolution was laid upon the table—yeas 91, nays 56.

Mr. Schenck, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported back the Senate resolution for the revival of the Committee on the War, with an amendment authorizing them to inquire into all contracts or agreements with any of the Departments, and to sit during the recess of Congress. The resolution as thus amended was passed.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY ON BOARD THE STEAMER R. E. LEE.—The rebel reports that there was a quantity of gold in the prize steamer R. E. Lee, at this port, induced a thorough search of the vessel by the U. S. Marshal. Yesterday forenoon, 168 packages of dry goods, including army cloth and other articles, were discovered behind a partition, supposed to divide her machinery from her hold. The value of those articles is estimated at $20,000. Every part of the vessel is now undergoing a thorough search, stimulated by the discoveries which have already been made.—*Boston Traveller, Jan. 15th.*

Washington Money Market—Latest Quotations.

Furnished by Lewis Johnson & Co., Bankers:

	Buying.	Selling.
U. S. Coupon Bonds, 1881	105¾	105¾
U. S. 5'20's	par	—
U. S. 7.30 Notes	106¾	107
Quartermasters' Checks	98	—
New Certificates	97¾	—
American Silver	137a142	—
American Gold	151a156¾	—

NEW YORK RATES—SECOND BOARD.

Coupon 6's, 1881, 105¾; 7-30's, 106¾; Certificates of Indebtedness, 97¾; Gold, 158¾; Quicksilver, 58¾; Michigan Southern, 88; Terra Haute, 62.

LOCAL NEWS.

LEVY COURT.—The Levy Court met this morning in the Aldermens' chamber, and the chair, Mr. Sargent laid before the court a petition from U. B. Mitchell, asking the remission of a fine imposed for forcible entry and detainer; which was referred.

Mr. Thomas moved to reconsider the vote by which a resolution fixing the compensation of the attorney of the court at $200, was passed at the last meeting; which was lost.

Mr. Bowen tendered his resignation as chairman of the Committee on Finance. A lengthy discussion took place as to excusing Mr. Bowen, and it was finally resolved to relieve the Finance Committee of the duty of making the assessment of property in the county, and it was referred to a special Committee, on which the chair appointed Messrs Plant, Burr, and Bell.

The Chair suggested that the Court might proceed to the election of an attorney. The matter which had been referred to the Chair, relating to the fines imposed in the Courts of the District, to which the Levy Court was entitled, he would like to confer an attorney in relation thereto. He stated that it had been said that under the laws of Maryland, many of which govern the District, the Levy Court was entitled to certain fines and he had written to the Marshal in reference thereto. The Marshal replied that he would like the question to be settled and suggested that a mandamus be sued out to test the matter.

Mr. Larner scouted the idea, and asked if the people of the District were taxed to support the courts, contending that this court had no right to such money.

Dr. Nichols three years ago would have objected to applying for the money, but now he was willing to test the matter. The roads needed mending, and as the Government used them to a great extent, he was willing that the court should receive all the aid from the Government which they could get, and urged that proceedings be taken immediately. If Congress did not feel inclined to let us have these fines they could repeal the law.

Mr Larner argued that if the Government did use the roads they were using them to a good purpose in protecting us.

Mr. Bowen withdrew his resignation.

Mr. Bowen presented the petition of Mrs. Mary Walker asking an abatement of taxes, for the reason that her property had been destroyed by troops; which was laid on the table for want of evidence.

JURY FOR THE CIRCUIT COURT.—This morning, S. E. Douglas, Register of Washington, W. Laird, Recorder of Georgetown, and N. Callan, Clerk of the Levy Court, met at the Court Clerk's office, where the following jury for the next special term of the Circuit Court, to be held on the first Tuesday (2d day) of February, was drawn:—James Towles, 3d ward; J. W. Colley, 4th ward; F. B. Lord, 4th ward; W. A. Gray, 4th ward; James F. Essex, Georgetown; Jos. F. Birch, Georgetown; Wm. B. Wilson, 3d ward; Thos. Cogan, 3d ward; Samuel Bacon, 4th ward; Lumey L. Page, 7th ward; D. G. Ridgeley, 1st ward; Jenkin Thomas, Georgetown; W. H. Hamilton, 5th ward; W. C. Magee, Georgetown; Wm. Douglas, 4th ward; John Mills, 5th ward; H. C. Whitmon, 7th ward; Joseph E. Rawlings, 1st ward; Willard Drake, 2d ward; John H. Davis, 7th ward; Archibald White, County; Jas. F. Haliday, 2d ward; Orlando Donn, 7th ward; John W. Mead, Sr., 5th ward; Lewis Payne, Georgetown; Jacob Fleishell, 5th ward.

CONGRESS ON THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF WASHINGTON.—We notice that it has been proposed in Congress, as a precautionary measure against the spread of small pox, that the public school children be vaccinated, and the city authorities are recommended to "take immediate action in this direction." Members of Congress do not seem to be aware that for many years it has been a requisite of admission into our public schools that the candidate shall have been vaccinated. We are afraid that honorable members may have chanced upon the starvation salary bill of Alderman Sargeant, and the kindred remarks depreciative of our public schools by Alderman Utermehle, and come to the conclusion that our school system is a wretched concern indeed. We trust that members interested in the cause of education will visit our schools and see for themselves, and think they will agree with us that the public schools of this District will compare favorably with the best in the country.

CRIMINAL COURT—*Chief Justice Cartter.*—This morning, Jane Davis, colored, charged with stealing $15 from Geo. D. Cudlip, was found guilty, and sentenced to the Albany penitentiary for one year.

Reddy George, indicted for robbing Lieut. Jos. P. Quigley of about $200 in September last, in conjuction with Thomas Denovan and John Maack, the latter of whom has already been convicted, was found guilty and sentenced to the penitentiary for five years. Judge Cartter in passing sentence upon him remarked that he would send him to a place where he would be made to work, and he would send him for such a length of time that the lesson of industry he would learn would last him the balance of his life.

Samuel Lyntell, alias Roberts, indicted in four cases of petit larceny, plead guilty in each and was fined in each case $5.

FIRE AT THE WHARF.—Last night, about 12 o'clock, the police discovered a fire in the schooner Star, lying at the foot of the High-street wharf, with a cargo of oats, about 2,000 bushels. The captain was absent in Baltimore; the crew was discharged, and the schooner was in charge of the mate, who was lying asleep in the state-room. The supposition is that the fire was caused by the explosion of a lamp which was burning in the state-room. Officers Finley and Essex had great difficulty in arousing the mate, who was nearly suffocated, and his wrists and hair were considerably burned. The police obtained the aid of a few citizens, and, with the hose of the New York steamer Empire, succeeded in extinguishing the fire without damage to the cargo, and but small damage to the schooner.

BEEF STEALING.—About a week since, the slaughter-house of Otho Gattrel, near the Park, was broken open and robbed of three quarters of a beef, weighing about 425 pounds. The entrance was affected by forcing open a window, but the thieves getting their feet bloody, were tracked by Sergeant Johnson and officers Beall and Boose to a neighboring slaughter-house, and from thence to the house of William Hamilton, colored, who was arrested and committed for a further hearing by Justice Barnacle; the evidence showing that Hamilton's feet fitted the track. On Saturday he was brought out and was fully committed for trial, in company with Umphrey Foster, who was with him at the time.

A POLICE MAGISTRATE WANTED.—That portion of the city which formerly comprised the fourth, sixth and eighth districts, being the upper portions of the Second, Third and Fourth Wards, is now sadly in want of a police justice having power to impose Corporation fines, at present the policemen of that section being obliged to bring their prisoners down to the heart of the city. We believe the only justice of the peace located above E street is Squire Barnacle, before whom many United States cases are taken, but not unfrequently he has to dismiss them, when the evidence is such as to warrant the imposement of a fine, for, as stated above, no justice in that section has such power.

PULLING A MAN'S NOSE.—Last night, Jas. Ryan and John Robinson were in an eating house on Pennsylvania avenue, near Third street, and Patrick Haley, with a friend, entered and called for refreshments. Robinson walked up to Haley while the latter was talking to his friend, and tried to get up a quarrel with him. Words failing, he took Haley by the nose and wrung it severely. Officers Thompson and O'Connell arrested Robinson and Ryan, and each was fined $5.58 for disorderly conduct; and Robinson was held to bail for court for the assault and battery on Haley, by Justice Giberson.

SECOND WARD STATION CASES.—T. F. Hardin, guard larceny; for hearing. Wm. Atter, assault and battery; bail for peace. Charles Walker, pettit larceny; dismissed. L. D. Brigham, picking pocket; do. Kate Meade, having stolen property in her possession; for hearing. Ben Cook, Peter Daily, drunk and disorderly; $2 each. Ann Welsh, J. D. Worbles, do; dismissed. Jos. Jewell, do.; $3. Wm. Johnson, violating city ordnance; $1.50. David P. Johnson, drunk and disorderly; C. Crounsheild, disorderly; military. Henry Graham, do; $1.58.

OFFICERS FOR COLORED TROOPS.—The whole number of examinations before the board, of which Gen. Casey is President, for the last week, has examined 57 applicants, only 25 of whom were recommended for officers, as follows: Two lieutenant colonels, one 1st and one 3d class; eight captains, four 1st class, one 2d class, three 3d class; six first lieutenants, three 1st class, two 2d class, one 3d class; and nine second lieutenants, four 1st class, four 2d class, one 3d class.

A CHARGE OF HOMICIDE.—Samuel McManus was arrested in this city a few days ago on the charge of having caused the death of a colored man at Locust Point three years ago by striking him on the head with a bar of iron. The accused was taken to Baltmore and committed to jail. Several parties have heretofore been arrested for the same offence, but were subsequently discharged, no testimony having been adduced to connect them with the homicide.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—Last Monday, as Martin Trojsi, musician, was passing to his home, near the Park, three men in the uniform of "Scott's 900," attacked him, and took away his cornet. Sergeant Johnson arrested George Johnson as one of the parties, but he proved that he bought the instrument from Wm. Dorrington; and Justice Barnacle, before whom they were taken, dismissed Johnson, but committed Dorrington to jail for court.

A STREET RAILWAY IN ALEXANDRIA.—On Friday last, the Virginia House of Delegates in session at Alexandria, received a bill chartering a street railway in that city. The bill provides that Alexandria Hay, John C. Underwood, Wm. D. Massey and others, shall