THE EVENING STAR.

LOCAL NEWS.

Amusements, &c., To-Night.

NATIONAL THEATER.—The celebrated Japanese Troupe.

WALL'S OPERA HOUSE.—La Rue's Carnival Minstrels in a varied programme.

CITY HALL.—Meeting of the Workingmen's Assembly.

E-STREET BAPTIST CHURCH.—Lecture by Prof. John S. Hart. Subject: "An Hour with the Poets."

THE SURRATT CASE.

The Trial Continued to the March Term—New Additional Counsel for the Defense.

This morning in the Criminal Court—Judge Carter on the bench—the District Attorney, Mr. Carrington moved that the case of John H. Surratt, indicted for the murder of Abraham Lincoln, be continued to the next term.

Mr. Merrick, of the counsel for the accused, said that the defence would be ready to enter on the trial at the time previously set, 24th inst.

The Court answered that a case of this importance should not be tried at the close of a term, and a continuance would be granted.

Mr. Merrick remarked it would be impossible for the defence to try the case in March or April, owing to the engagements of Judge Black in those months, and he trusted, as this continuance had been granted on the motion of the District Attorney, that the defence would be allowed, at the next term, a similar privilege.

The Court remarked that the counsel should confer and fix upon some time for the trial agreeable to both sides.

Mr. Merrick ordered the clerk to enter the appearance of Judge Jere. S. Black and Chauncey Black as counsel for the prisoner, with Mr. J. H. Bradley, Jr., and himself.

According to the assignment, Chief Justice Carter will hold the March Term.

SERENADE TO MAYOR WALLACH, MAYOR RICHARDS AND OTHERS.—Last evening Heald's Washington Brass Band were out on a serenading tour with a number of friends, and during the course of the evening a new piece of music, composed by Prof. J. P. Spanier, the director of the band, was rendered in fine style. In the early part of the evening, when the company called, Mayor Wallach was not at home, and the company proceeded to Superintendent Richards' residence, 8th street, above K, and tendered him a serenade, when they were invited in, and partook of his hospitality; and, subsequently, Miss Jennie Foster, one of the principal vocalists of the Washington Philharmonic Society, was complimented at her residence on 8th street, near N, as also Mr. W. R. McLean, at his dwelling on Massachusetts avenue, between 6th and 7th streets.

About one o'clock the party drew up in front of Mayor Wallach's residence, (Douglas' Row) and after the performance of a number of fine compositions that gentleman appeared and invited the party in. Assembled in the spacious parlors Capt. B. M. Reed introduced Captain Heald and the members of the band. Captain Heald addressed the Mayor, stating that the band wished, by this serenade, to tender their high regards as the friend of every worthy and honest enterprise, and also to give an opportunity to his friend, Mr. Spanier, to present him with his new piece of music dedicated to the Mayor, and entitled "Wallach's Quick-step," on which Mr. S. had bestowed his best talent.

Mr. Spanier was here introduced, and remarking that in consideration of their high respect for Mayor Wallach as a gentleman, and their high appreciation of his services as a public officer they presented the music alluded to.

Mayor Wallach, in accepting the music, expressed his thanks for the compliment, saying he appreciated it not only for the manner in which it was tendered, but because he recognized in the company many familiar faces of old friends, and was enabled to form the acquaintance of the gentlemen of the band. The honor conferred in dedicating the music to him he would ever remember. He invited the company to the dining-room, where they partook of his hospitality and spent some time in social intercourse, and after the "Wallach Quick-step" had been performed, the company separated.

THE MIDDLE STATES ANTI-RADICAL CLUB.—The second meeting of this club was held last evening at No. 397 Pennsylvania avenue, Capt. Frank Geise presiding and Benjamin Marr acting as Secretary.

Mr. F. Given, from the Committee to Prepare a Constitution and By-Laws, submitted the same; which were adopted.

The preamble of the constitution states that the object of the organization is to "promote the true interests of the middle States, and for the circulation of documents presenting the living issues of the day—i. e., the restoration of the Union, the overthrow of the present radical revolutionary party in power, and the maintenance of the doctrine that there shall be no taxation without representation."

The name of the organization was fixed as "The Middle States Anti-Radical Club."

On motion, the club proceeded to elect officers under the constitution, with the following result:—President, Hon. Montgomery Blair; Vice Presidents, Captain Geise, Ex-Gov. Bigler of Pennsylvania, Hon. Jas. Brooks of New York, Hon. Chas. Haight of New Jersey; Corresponding Secretaries, Hon. Wm. Wallace of Pennsylvania, Hon. David Narr of New Jersey, Hon. Oden Bowie of Maryland; Benj. R. Junior, secretary of the club; C. C. Tucker, corresponding secretary; Captain James P. Paine, financial secretary; Samuel Fowler, treasurer.

Messrs. Wates, Narr, and Geise were appointed as a committee to notify these gentlemen of their election.

Messrs. Tucker, Geise, and Frankel were authorized to secure a room for the club.

The election of the other officers was postponed until the next meeting.

HOP AT THE KIRKWOOD HOUSE.—The second hop at "the Kirkwood" took place last evening, and was a decidedly brilliant affair. It was given under the auspices of the ladies of the house, who appointed as the committee of arrangements Messrs. Jos. R. Cowan, Isaac McConnell and D. A. Clarke, who exerted themselves to make the entertainment a pleasant one. Dancing was commenced about 9 o'clock, in the large dining-room, which was comfortably crowded, and until four o'clock this morning the festivities were kept up. At 12 o'clock supper was announced, when the guests marched to the supper-room, where the tables were spread, bearing every delicacy of the season. Mr. H. I. King proprietor of the house, who furnished the supper, being determined that everything should be done to add to the enjoyment of his guests. Among those present were Hon. C. A. Eldridge and lady; Hon. S. F. Wilson, of Pennsylvania; Judge Marshall, of Illinois; Judge Ryan, of Wisconsin; Major Myers, Major Townsend, Dr. Charles A. Nalley, M. B. Brady, Colonel J. C. Long, J. L. Kime, Charles Merrill and G. W. Hamlin, of Baltimore, Dr. Chas. Allen, Jack Towers, Capt. Johnson, Dr. W. O. Baldwin, Barney Green, El. Kipp, Chas. Wilson, Major Handley and lady, H. H. Dudley and lady, Wm. L. Wall and lady, E. J. Klopfer and daughter, Frank Mohun and lady, Wm. A. Ward and lady, Albert G. Burr and lady, Miss Ada Savage, Miss Fannie Hunt, Misses Julia and Agnes O'Neil, of Georgetown, Miss Ida Mann of Harrisburg, Miss Lulu Joyce, Miss Nannie Joyce, Miss Emma Angus, Miss Annie Morgan, Miss Mattie Noyes, Miss Mary Noyes, Miss Alice Lawn, Miss Kate Lawn, and others. Donche's band furnished the music.

BURGLARIOUS ROBBERY.—Sometime last night the clothing store of Mr. Henry D. Blondheim, No. 80 Louisiana avenue, was broken into and robbed of about five hundred dollars' worth of gentlemen's black cloth and silk-mixed coats, vests, and pants, and a box of shoes. The burglar must have been well supplied with operating tools, as the clasp to a heavy iron padlock, attached to the outside of the front door, was snapped asunder, after which the door was prized from the inside fastenings with a large chisel. When it is considered that the robbery was committed within a stone's throw of the Centre station-house, and that the bulk of the goods stolen was such as to require several persons or a vehicle to carry them off, it may be set down as one of the boldest which has taken place for sometime. Mr. Blondheim closed his store at the usual hour last night, and knew nothing of his loss till this morning.

THE SKATING CARNIVAL.—The Washington Skating Park was crowded yesterday afternoon, and until a late hour last night, with as gay and select a party of ladies and gentlemen as has attended during the season. At night there was a brilliant illumination, taking advantage of which dancing parties were formed, and, to the inspiring notes of the fifth cavalry band, exercises of the "light fantastic toe" were indulged in to the heart's content. The condition of the ice was excellent, and everything passed off as merrily as heart could wish.

LARCENY OF A HAND CART.—Last evening, John Williams, colored, who had previously been committed to jail on the charge of the larceny of a lot of castings from the Capitol, was brought out by Officer Drane before Justice Walter, and a charge of stealing a hand cart preferred by Chas. Jenkins, on which he by was also committed. The cart was used Williams in carrying off the iron.

THE GERMAN LANGUAGE IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—A mass meeting of our German citizens will be held at the Council Chamber on Thursday evening, 20th inst., at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of introducing the German language in the public schools of Washington city, to be taught to those who desire it.

A SERIES OF RESOLUTIONS of respect to the memory of Hon. Noah Smith, late chief clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Senate, and signed by the Secretary and all the clerks of the office, have been superbly engrossed by Mr. H. C. Spencer, and will be transmitted to the relatives of the deceased.

The Provident Aid Society.

A meeting of this society was held at the Board of Trade rooms yesterday afternoon, Hon. Peter Parker, President, in the chair, and S. H. Kauffmann Secretary.

The Secretary read a communication from C. H. Howard, asking that certificates be granted to the agent of the Freedmen's Bureau as to the quality of the meat he delivers. It was so ordered.

The Chair laid before the society the following communications, which were read by the Secretary:

BUREAU OF REFUGEES, &c., WASHINGTON, February 14, 1868.—*General C. H. Howard, Assistant Commissioner—General:* I have the honor respectfully to call your attention to the manner in which the soup houses of the Third and Fourth Wards, under charge of the Provident Aid Society, are being conducted. At both of these soup houses two (2) kinds of soup are made, the better quality of which is furnished to the white and the inferior to the colored people who apply for assistance; distinctions are also being made in favor of the white and against the colored people in the quantities of supplies furnished. In one instance, a colored man, who has seven (7) in his family, several of whom are sick, received half a loaf of bread and one (1) quart of very poor soup, while white people who have only two (2) in a family, the same day were receiving two (2) loaves of bread and two (2) quarts of a better quality of soup. (This occurred at the Fourth Ward soup house, near the Government Printing Office, two days ago.)

ROBERT REYBURN, Surgeon in Chief, &c.

Mr. Given submitted the following in reply thereto:

WASHINGTON CITY, February 18, 1868.—*John T. Given, Esq., Director of Third Ward for Provident Aid Society.*—Sir: In reply to the report of Surgeon Robert Reyburn to General C. H. Howard in regard to the way the Third Ward soup-house is conducted, it is *false* in every particular. There never has been more than one kind of soup made, and the blacks get identically the same soup and bread that the whites get, and the same quantities in proportion to the number in family, which the books will show. Said books are open for inspection at all times and to any person. I would say more in regard to making two kinds of soup before the Freedmen's Bureau came in with the Provident Aid Society; we used green vegetables, which made good soup. General Howard sent some dessicated vegetables, some of which were used, and they were pronounced bad, and they were thrown aside, and green vegetables are now used again. Perhaps this gave rise to the report of making two kinds of soup.

The annexed table will show the amount of relief extended through the operations of the soup-house in the Third Ward under my agency: From January 1 to January 7, 350 loaves of bread furnished, 360 gallons soup furnished. Number of families supplied, 62. Proportion—whites, 21; blacks, 41. From January 7 to January 14, 850 loaves of bread furnished, 360 gallons soup furnished. Number of families furnished daily, 103. Proportion—whites, 33; blacks, 70. From January 14 to January 21, 1,750 loaves of bread, 600 gallons soup. Number of families furnished daily, 205. Proportion—whites, 45; blacks, 160. From January 21 to January 28, 1,800 loaves of bread, 540 gallons soup; 219 families daily. Proportion—whites, 39; blacks, 180. From January 28 to February 4, 1,800 loaves of bread, 480 gallons soup; 216 families daily. Proportion—whites, 54; blacks, 162. From February 4 to February 11, 1,800 loaves of bread, 840 gallons soup; 220 families daily. Proportion, whites, 59; blacks, 161. From February 11 to February 18, 1,800 loaves of bread, 480 gallons soup; 229 families daily. Proportion—whites, 52; blacks, 177.

Most respectfully, yours, &c.,

JOSEPH HODGSON.

Mr. Given was satisfied that Mr. Hodgson had performed his work faithfully and correctly.

Mr. Geo. F. Gulick thought Mr. Hodgson should endorse on the back of the communication from Mr. Howard that the contents were false, and return it to him. He considered it an insult to the society.

Mr. George Savage submitted a report of the work at the Fourth Ward soup house, setting forth that they had been, prior to merging with the Freedmen's Bureau, using green, fresh vegetables in their cooking; but when they received the dessicated vegetables from the Bureau, they found they were not good. So they cooked them separately, and dealt their own out to the whites and that of the Bureau to the blacks. Where any of the blacks were sick, they issued to them of their own. Now, however, they were issuing only the vegetable procured by the society, not using the others at all, as they were totally unfit. As to the charge of discrimination as to the quality, that was false.

Mr. A. R. Shepherd expressed himself as in favor of turning the soup houses over to the Freedmen's Bureau, leaving the Society to provide for the resident poor whites. He thought a committee should be appointed to confer with General Howard, and propose to him that the Bureau should take charge of the soup houses.

Mr. Thomas E. Lloyd said that if there were two parties rendering aid both would be imposed upon by each other poor.

Rev. Dr. Hall proposed that the Society appoint a committee to call on General Howard and tender him the seven soup houses, and if not accepted to close them up on the 1st of March next; or to deal out to freedmen only such provisions as are received from the Freedmen's Bureau; or, to stop the issue of bread altogether, it being the heaviest part of the expense. They were, at all events, virtually working the Freedmen's Bureau. This should be ended. It would end itself. He did not know but that it would be better to give notice at once, by resolution, that they would close up the soup houses on the 1st of March.

Mr. Shepherd offered the following:

Resolved, That Messrs. Parker, Hall, and Wallach be, and are hereby empowered to confer with Gen. Howard, and make such arrangements as may be deemed best adapted to the interest of the society, with full power to transfer the soup houses and property therein to the Freedmen's Bureau; this action being rendered necessary by the failing resources of this association.

Mr. Shepherd said, in his belief this society was doing the work of the Freedmen's Bureau; that they were feeding able-bodied men and persons, while the deserving went unprovided for; the society, he thought, was encouraging paupers.

The resolution was passed, and Mr. Shepherd placed on the committee therein named.

The Chair stated that Mrs. M. E. Redfern had been visited by Mr. Tustin, and had consented to withdraw her resignation as a member of the visiting committee in the First Ward. The Chair presented the resignation of Mrs. E. Reid, a member of the visiting committee in the First Ward. The resignation was accepted.

A communication was read from Belva A. McNall, tendering the use of Union League Hall to the society for an art exhibition on the 26th of February. Referred to committee on halls.

Mr. Baker moved that an appropriation of $50 be made to each ward for the purchase of bread: which was carried.

Mr. Lloyd moved an appropriation of $100 to each ward for wood; which was carried.

Mr Shepherd moved that Mr Jno. T. Given be appointed to confer with the Mayor of the Corporation relative to carrying out this appropriation; carried.

The Secretary read the resignation of W. H. Nally as director of the society from the Fourth Ward.

Mr. Dulin moved the acceptance of the resignation, and that the appointment of his successor be deferred for one week. Carried.

Mr. Shepherd moved to reconsider this motion, in order to appoint a successor to Mr. Nally. Carried.

Mr. Y. A. Sturgis was elected to fill the vacancy.

It was decided to make arrangements allowing two children admission to the matinee to be given on Thursday afternoon, at the theatre, upon one ticket.

Mr. Shepherd announced a subscription of $80 from Mr. Charles Knapp, and a vote of thanks was offered to Mr. Knapp therefor.

Mr. S. S. Baker moved that the society extend their thanks to Charles H. Brewer for donations of meal, and services of his team and driver on different occasions; which was carried. Adjourned.

BOARD OF TRADE.—A special meeting of the Board of Trade was called last night at 7½ o'clock, but up to 8½ o'clock a quorum of members not being present, it was proposed to adjourn until Saturday evening next at 7½ o'clock. The object for which the meeting was called was understood to be for the purpose of discussing the proposed railroad bills now before Congress, one looking to a road from Washington to Cincinnati, and the other a branch road from this city to connect with the Northern Central railroad at Baltimore. It is hoped there will be a large attendance of members at the meeting on Saturday night, as there can be no more important subject for discussion and action by the Board than that looking to the construction of railroads to centre in our midst.

THE TREASURER of the Provident Aid Society acknowledges the following receipts since last publication:—From George Gregory, of Fourth Ward, $5; balance of collection for the sufferers from yellow fever at New Orleans, per H. Adler, $10.21; Admiral W. B. Shubrick, $10; Col. J. A. Graham, collections in Register's Office, U. S. Treasury, $41; Col. J. W. Forney, Secretary U. S. Senate, $40; employees office Doorkeeper House of Representatatives, $113.50; employees office Postmaster do., $18; employees office Sergeant-at-Arms do., $11; employees office Clerk do., $85; Chas. Knap, $200; A. F. S., $5.

RUN OVER.—About dusk yesterday afternoon a little daughter of Mrs. Margaret Connors, residing on Q street, near 13th, was knocked down and run over by a horse and wagon in front of her mother's residence. The child was playing in the street, when, owing to the closing darkness of the evening, the driver of the wagon did not observe her, and failed to check his team till too near to avoid collision. Fortunately the vehicle was empty, and the wheels barely grazing the feet of the little creature, only slight damage was sustained.

Board of School Trustees.

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Public Schools was held last evening at the City Hall, Dr. Walsh in the Chair.

Dr. Walsh, from the Sub-Board of the Third District, presented the following report:

The Sub-Board of School Trustees, of the Third School District, to whom was referred the bill of Mr. W. D. Shepherd for Stationery, &c., for that District, report, that having personally examined the schools in that district previous to the last meeting of this Board, with reference to articles charged in that bill, and which had not been received at the date of our examination, and having since sent circular letters to all the teachers in our District with reference to the missing articles to which we received replies from all except one teacher, (Secondary No. 7,) confirmatory of our personal examination. We met on Friday, the 14th instant, at the Wallach School Building, and after a critical examination of the bill, decided,

1st. To return, with the consent of Mr. Shepherd the charts in our possession, and make future requisitions for such of these charts as may be deemed useful or necessary for our Primary Schools.

2d. To deduct the cost prices for articles hereafter specified, which, though charged, have not been delivered and cannot be accounted for.

3d. To deduct from some articles charged and acknowledged, the differences in prices as reported by the Committee on Accounts.

The bill as reported is as follows:

Amount of account rendered		$1,159.71
Deductions.		
16 setts Wilson's charts at $22.50	$360.00	
8 setts Philbrick's charts at $12.50	100.00	
1 15 in. Globe	18.00	
1 National Dictionary	6.00	
7 Call Bells (average) at $3.50	24.50	
4 Mats at $2.25	9.00	
5 Inkstands (average) at 50c.	2.50	
24 Towels at 50c.	12.00	
5 Green Curtains at $4	20.00	
From prices per Report Committee Accounts	134.00	$686.00
		$473.71

[Signed]—F. S. Walsh, W. T. Johnson, T. Edw. Clark, Sub-Board.

Mr. Johnson said he signed the report reluctantly, as he desired that an examination be made into the prices of articles on which deductions had been made. He did not think deductions should be made according to the prices that other dealers sold for cash. As the one who furnished the articles had to wait some time for his money, he thought it but just that he should be allowed good prices and not have his bill cut down to the lowest wholesale prices. In regard to the curtains mentioned in the report, he explained that he gave an order for five curtains which Mr. Shepherd had made, but were found to be too small for the windows. He then requested Mr. Shepherd to change the curtains, but the person who made them refused to do so, and new ones had to be ordered. Those that were too small were now at his (Mr. Johnson's) house, and would be placed in some school when required. He desired that justice be done to all, and that Mr. Shepherd's bills should not be cut down to the lowest wholesale prices.

Mr. Clark said the reductions had been made according to the price list which Mr. Brown, Chairman of the Committee on Accounts, had received from other dealers. He regretted that Mr. Brown was not present, as he could give the full price list. Two other parties in this city had offered to furnish the charts spoken of at $16 a set.

Dr. Croggon moved that the report be accepted, and the committee be discharged from further consideration of the same.

Mr. Clark said the Committee on Accounts to whom was referred the other bills, with instructions to arrange for a settlement, were now negotiating with Mr. Shepherd. He thought this bill should also go to the committee with the same instructions, as Mr. Shepherd objected to some of the deductions made.

Dr. Croggon said there was no communication before the Board from Mr. Shepherd, and no notice should be taken of his objections, unless properly brought before the Board.

Mr. Woodward said Mr. Shepherd was transacting business with the Committee on Accounts, and had laid his objections before that committee.

Dr. Croggon thought it time to dispose of the bill in some way.

Mr. Tustin thought the chairman of the Committee on Accounts—Mr. Brown—should have attended the meeting or sent his report and the accompanying papers to the board. He was not willing to act on the bill before Mr. Brown could be heard from.

Mr. Johnson explained that the globe charged was a mistake; an order for one had been given by him, but subsequently countermanded. As to the National Dictionary, he had given an order for one, but subsequently swapped it off for several small ones.

Mr. Woodward said Mr. Shepherd had furnished new bills for the 1st, 2d and 4th districts, with all the disputed items left out, leaving the 1st district bill $146.69; 2d district, $159.53; 4th district, $291.65. As to certain books the price of which had been disputed, Mr. Shepherd had furnished the committee with a list from Mr. Mohun giving his retail prices of such books.

Mr. Wilson said Mr. Brown had lists from dealers stating the lowest market price at which they would furnish the schools with books and other articles, and he thought such lists the proper basis to make all reductions.

Mr. Woodward suggested the new bills, for all things not disputed, be approved.

Mr. Wilson thought the Committee on Accounts would have the whole bill settled in a few days, and it would be useless to approve portions of bills now.

The motion of Dr. Croggon to accept the report of the committee was adopted.

Mr. Tustin said he was not prepared to vote until Mr. Brown had reported. That gentleman should have attended the meeting, or handed the papers over to the board.

Mr. Woodward said Mr. Brown and the committee had been hard at work over these bills, and he did not intend to allow the gentleman from the First District (Mr. Tustin) to give the committee any lecture. That gentleman had a lecture for some one every meeting, but he should not lecture the Committee on Accounts after they had worked faithfully. Mr. Brown had important business, which prevented his attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Tustin said he had no desire of lecturing any one.

Mr. Fox offered a resolution providing that the items in the bill rendered by Mr. Shepherd, not disputed by the Committee on Accounts, be approved by the Board, and the committee report on the disputed items at the next regular meeting.

Mr. Wilson thought the only proper way was to leave the whole matter in the hands of the committee, and whatever action they might take would be approved by the Board.

Mr. Johnson moved to adjourn, but withdrew his motion; and Dr. Croggon offered a resolution authorizing the appointment of a committee of four—one from each school district—to inquire into the efficency of the Normal School lately established, and to report at the next regular meeting whether they regard said school as an advantage or a disadvantage to public education in this city. Dr. Croggon also asked to be excused from serving on the committee, and said he thought this Normal class a great disadvantage to the schools, and was opposed to it. A majority of the children in his district had poor parents, who send their children to school that they might learn to read, write, and cipher; they had no time to waste with normal school business, which he regarded as a great bug-bear.

Mr. Wilson explained the advantages to be derived from this Normal class, but hoped the resolution would be adopted, and gentlemen could ascertain for themselves that the class was a benefit to the teachers.

The resolution was adopted, and the Chair appointed as the committee Messrs. Brown, Rhees, Johnson, and Whyte.

Mr. Johnson inquired if the committee to examine candidates would meet soon.

Dr. Walsh said no arrangements had been made for a meeting, as there were no vacancies, and no teachers wanted.

The resolution offered by Mr. Fox, to approve a portion of Mr. Shepherd's bills, was lost; and the Board adjourned for one week.

SELLING WITHOUT LICENSE.—Officer Hill of the fifth precinct yesterday evening arrested a restaurant keeper, named Philip Selyen, who was arraigned before Justice Harper, charged with selling liquor without a license. He was fined $20.50, from which he appealed to court. County officer King last evening arrested Sandy Fuller, a colored man, who was taken before Justice Thompson, charged with selling liquor in the county without a license. The Justice fined him $25. A miller, named Geo W. Taylor, was before Justice Clarke yesterday, charged with selling without a license, and was fined $5 therefor. Wm. Williams, arrested yesterday by officer Homer of the fifth precinct, came before Justice Harper for running a hack without a license, for which he was fined $10.

COMMITTED TO JAIL.—This morning Wm. H. Rodgers was before Justice Walter on a peace warrant, sworn out by Mr. Musgrif, by Officer J. F. Parker, and in default of security was committed to jail. Rodgers, it is alleged, was drunk in the billiard-room of the National, and when Mr. Musgrif attempted to take the billiard balls from him, he hit him over one of the eyes.

AT THE MEETING of the Committee on the District of Columbia yesterday, it was decided to report favorably upon the bill heretofore referred to them, incorporating the Industrial Home School. The committee has quite a large amount of business to report when it shall again be called in the House, and some of the bills are of great interest to our people.

FOR SALE—One nearly new Seven Octave Rosewood Case PIANO FORTE (by Meyer, of New York.) For particulars inquire of COOPER & LATIMER, Auctioneers, southwest corner Pennsylvania avenue and 11th street. fe 13-eod7t

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THE COURTS.

CIRCUIT COURT, *Justice Wylie.*—The case of Thompson agt. Williams was given to the jury, who returned a verdict for the plaintiff for $900, with interest from the time the suit was commenced.

On motion of William J. Miller the case of Schmidt vs. Maack was postponed until March 5th.

S. Lewis Jones vs. Chas. Gautier; Mattingly and Ennis. This is a case where the plaintiff, Jones, sues the defendant, Gautier, for $940, money alleged to be due for services rendered as book-keeper. It appears that a contract was entered into for one year between the parties, and at the end of one month plaintiff was discharged, contrary to the provisions of the agreement. At the end of the year he brought suit for the money due. Mr. Ennis, for the defendant, said that Mr. G. kept a wholesale liquor store, and plaintiff came and offered his services; that at the time the written agreement was made Mr. G. made with the plaintiff a contemporaneous, oral agreement that he must be a competent book-keeper, able to perform the work and take charge of the books of the establishment; that at the end of the month he found he was not, and discharged him on paying him what was due for services already rendered.

In the case of Jones vs. Gautier, the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff for $940.

Miller vs. Sackett; Thompson and Fred. W. Jones; verdict for plaintiff for $72.

Aldrich Sons & Co. vs. J. R. Moss; plaintiff called, and not answering was non-suited.

James C. Hyland et al. vs. George Savage; Brent, Merrick, Phillips, and Bradley, Jr., and Cox; a long panel was called for, the jury chosen, and the case proceeded to trial; still on.

Assignment for Friday—247, 311, 259, 197, 96, 101, 102, 105, 109, 114, 115, 118, 122, 123, 124, 127, 128, 129, 134, 135, 136.

CRIMINAL COURT, *Justice Fisher.*—Yesterday. Mary A. Nickols convicted of assault, was sentenced to jail for two hours.

H. Thomas, grand larceny, penitentiary two years.

Sarah Myers, grand larceny, guilty; penitentiary one year.

Patsy Robinson, indicted for cruelty to her infant child. The court remarked that the indictment set forth an offence which he was not satisfied was known to our law, but he gave the case to the jury, subject to his future decision upon the sufficiency of the indictment; verdict guilty; jail ten days.

Henry Thomas, receiving stolen property: not guilty.

Margaret Johnson and George Walker, larceny; not guilty.

To-day.—William Smith, petit larceny; no guilty.

James A. Snowden, petit larceny; guilty; sentence, jail until April 2d.

Perry Jones, petit larceny; plead guilty; sentence, one day in jail.

Perry Jones, in two cases of assault and battery, nolle pros. entered.

John Mathews, petit larceny; nolle pros.

Louisa Deitz, keeping a bawdy house; nolle pros.

John Wallace, assault and battery on Chas. A. Nagle, on the 15th Nov., 1867; not guilty.

Stephen Taylor and Henry Hervey alias Lewis Snowden, petit larceny from store of Kidwell & Son, 2d of November, 1867. The money was found on these boys, and the Court charged the jury that as the money was found on these boys it was strong evidence that they had stolen it, but they must find that this was the identical money. The jury found them guilty as indicted. The boys having been in jail since last August, the Court ordered them back to jail until to-morrow, and then to be discharged.

James Garrity, for assault and battery, submitted his case to the Court, who sentenced him to pay a fine of $25, and to remain sober until some other wretched doggery keeper pours rot-gut down your throat."

Wm. Patterson, larceny; recognizances forfeited. Bench warrant issued, and nolle pros. entered.

John Green, petit larceny; not guilty. Adjourned.

EQUITY COURT, *Justice Olin.*—Yesterday, Jocelin vs. Jocelin; application for alimony pending a suit for divorce. The respondent pleads a former decree of divorce by an Ohio court. The complainant says the decree was made without sufficient notice and is void. Case not concluded.

To-Day.—The case of Edward L. Walker vs. John K. O'Neil, of interference with patent, which was up sometime ago before Justice Fisher, was resumed to-day. This is a case where both claim to be the inventors of a Patent Horse Hay Fork. The Commissioner of Patents, Hon. John C. Theaker, had decided that Walker was the inventor of the device in question, and an appeal was taken to this Court, where the case was argued by counsel.

ORPHANS' COURT, *Judge Purcell.*—Yesterday, Samuel W. Owen gave bond in the sum of $800 as administrator of William Benning, deceased; Col. A. A. Hosmer and William L. Dove, sureties.

J. J. Johnson, Esq., then announced in feeling terms the death of Philip R. Fendall, Esq., to which the Court responded in eloquent terms, and then adjourned.

ALEXANDRIA ITEMS.—The *Gazette* has the following:

At the Annual meeting of the Alexandria Library Company, held Monday night, R. L. Crane was elected President, and C. Barton, E. Snowden, Jr., S. Swain, W. A. Smoot, John West, Robert Jamieson, C. C. Berry, Lewis E. Greene, J. A. Field, G. K. Witmer, and E. S. Leadbeater, Directors.

George W. Logan, a brakesman on the freight train of the Washington and Alexandria Railroad, fell on the track on that road, near its depot on Maryland Avenue in Washington, Monday night, and had one of his legs seriously injured by a passing train.

The proprietors of the different fishing shores on the Potomac are now busily engaged in preparing for the Spring operations, which it is thought will probably be somewhat retarded by the long continuance of ice in the river.

CITY ITEMS.

METROPOLITAN HALL.—This favorite establishment has been crowded each evening this week to witness the most unique performance ever given within a concert hall. The world renowned Comedian, Johnny Thompson, made his first appearance Monday evening in his great specialities of "The Lively Moke" and "Big Fat Charley." As an artiste Mr. Thompson stands without a rival in the profession, his song and dance being equal if not superior to Billy Emerson's. As the "Lively Moke" he performs on every known instrument, eliciting from the audience the most uproarious applause. We would advise all to see Thompson. Miss Emma Marsh, a very pretty and pleasing danseuse, also appeared for the first time on Monday evening and was well received.

ENTERPRISE MUST LIVE.—I feel proud to announce to the public that I have just returned from the Sea Side Inlet, Cherrystone, Lynn Haven Bay, Hampton Bar, Yorktown, and Chisman Creek, having purchased three hundred barrels choice Oysters from the above-named places, and having made arrangements to receive them every day by express. To-day I have received one hundred barrels, which I am selling for 25 and 50 cents per dozen. My long experience in the business enables me to select the best, which I do regardless of expense.

T. M. HARVEY.

BUT OPTICS SHARP it needs, I ween,
To see what is not to be seen
At Henning's Clothing Store.

THE ORIGINAL FRANC. 2,14,1:

BAR'S, corner 7th and E streets, are still selling off their entire stock of men's, youth's, and boys' Clothing at cost price, to make room for their very large stock of Spring and Summer Goods. Special attention is called to their very large stock of white Dress Shirts, Underwear, Hosiery, Ties, Scarfs, &c. BAR & Co.,
2,1,1: Corner 7th and E sts.

MR. JUDD'S GREAT BOOK AUCTION will reopen in Washington, at 370 Penna. ave., under the Metropolitan Hotel, this (Thursday) evening, and be continued a few evenings. There is a large and select assortment of the most valuable Books, which must be sold. 23,15

POUR CORS, Durillions et Ongles rentres dans la chair, consulter le Docteur White, etabli depuis 1861—a son office No. 424 Pennsylvania avenue, entre la quatrieme at la Sixieme rue.

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JOHN COGGINS, Agent.

DIED.

TAUBERSCHMIDT. On the 18th inst., in this city, Mrs. TAUBERSCHMIDT, aged 70 years.

Her funeral will take place from the corner of 7th and S streets, on the 20th instant, at 3 o'clock p. m. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

JOYCE. On the 19th instant, Miss HANNAH JOYCE, daughter of Mr. Patrick Joyce, aged 16 years.

The funeral will start from the residence of the deceased's father, No. 79 Pennsylvania avenue, to-morrow (Thursday) at 3 o'clock p. m. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

INGLE. On Tuesday morning, the 18th day of February, 1868, GRACE, the infant of C. and E. S. Ingle, aged eighteen months.

A FEW FINE DRESSES, For sale at PRINCE'S LOAN OFFICE, fe 19-1y 277 Pa. ave., bet. 10th and 11th sts.

GEORGETOWN.

Affairs in Georgetown.

COMMITTED.—Officer Findley yesterday arrested Alex. Linsey, who was arraigned before Justice Buckey, charged with the larceny of pig iron from the Consolidation Coal Company. This charge was dismissed, and the justice fined him $2.50 for disorderly conduct, and in default of payment committed him to the workhouse for twenty days.

PUGILISTIC.—Jacob Hunter was yesterday arrested by Officer White and taken before Justice Buckey, charged with making a display of his pugilistic abilities. He was dismissed.

A PETITION.—A petition to Congress is being exclusively circulated and signed by the citizens, asking Congress to place a free bridge across the Potomac leading to the National Cemetery at Arlington.

THE STATION HOUSE.—The bricks are being delivered for the improvement of the Station House, for which the contract has been given out.

CHRIST CHURCH.—Workmen are now engaged in painting the outside walls of this church, corner of Congress and Beall streets. The audience room of the church is nearly ready for the plasterers to commence plastering.

THE TICKET.—It is understood that the following persons were nominated at the convention which assembled at the Fountain Hotel on Monday night:

For Aldermen.—Joseph L. Simms; R. R. Crawford, Wm. L. Dunlop, H. M. Sweeney, and George Waters.

For Common Council.—James Goddard, J. J. Kane, John B. Davidson, Wm. Clabaugh, Esau Pickrell, J. F. Collins, Wm. Hutchins, Wm. King, George W. Orme, and Wm. Albert King.

Some of these gentlemen having declined the convention met again last evening at the Fountain Hotel to fill the vacancies, when it was resolved that as soon as the ticket was made up, and it should be known who would accept the nomination, the ticket would be made public. The ticket as completed was not made public at half-past 12 to-day.

GEORGETOWN ADVERTISEMENTS.

☞ FAIR IN GEORGETOWN.—The Ladies of Georgetown, representing all denominations, are now holding a Fair at Forrest Hall in aid of the Old Ladies' Home. In addition to the usual attractions there is a New England Kitchen, an Art Gallery, which is irresistably comic, music and singing, with dancing as a finale each evening. fe 17-3t*

BY THOMAS DOWLING, Auct.; Georgetown.

LEASE OF GOOD WILL AND FIXTURES OF THE POST OFFICE RESTAURANT, GEORGETOWN, AT AUCTION.

On FRIDAY, Feb. 21st, at 10 o'clock p m., I will sell, on the premises, the Lease and Good Will of the Post Office Restaurant, situated No. 59 Congress street, near Bridge street, having four years and five months to run.

Terms cash.

fe 19-2t THOMAS DOWLING, Auct.

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SALE OF VALUABLE UNIMPROVED REAL ESEATE IN GEORGETOWN, D. C.

By virtue of a decree duly passed by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, in the case of Adams vs Adams et al., Equity Docket No. 8, folio 195, on the 12th day of February, 1868, the subscriber, as trustee, will sell, at Public Auction, on MONDAY, March 2d, 1868, at 4½ o'clock p. m., certain Real Estate in Georgetown, D. C., on Second street, near High, in said town, being a part of lots 19, 20, and 21 in Hawkins' addition to said town, beginning at a point on Second street, distant 96.6½-12 feet from its intersection with High street, and running thence west on Second street 40 feet more or less, and extending back of that width 140 feet. Upon this real estate stand two Frame two-story Dwellings. The real estate will be sold in two parcels; the eastern part fronting 18 feet 6½ inches, more or less, on Second street, and running back 150 feet with the dwelling and improvements thereon; the western part fronting 23 feet 1¼ inch, more or less, on Second street, and running back 150 feet with the dwelling and improvements thereon.

Terms of sale: One-third cash, of which $150 will be paid on each parcel at the fall of the hammer. Balance in 6 and 12 months. All conveyancing and revenue stamps at cost of purchaser. Settlements within 6 days after sale, otherwise property will be resold at purchaser's cost and risk.

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