LOCAL MENTION.

The Weather.

FORECAST TILL EIGHT A. M. THURSDAY.

For the District of Columbia and Maryland, winds shifting to westerly; clearing this afternoon; stationary temperature.

For Virginia, fair weather, except showers during the day in the eastern portions; winds being westerly; slightly warmer.

CONDITION OF THE WATER.

Temperature and condition of water at 7 a.m.: Great Falls, temperature, 74; condition, 18. Receiving reservoir, temperature, 75; condition at north connection, 18; condition at south connection, 36. Distributing reservoir, temperature, 77; condition at influent gate house, 17; condition at effluent gate house, 13.

High Water.		Low Water.	
8:20 a.m.	8:53 p.m.	2:25 a.m.	2:57 p.m.

SPECIAL for Thursday at GILL'S, 1429 F st. Buttercups, 25 cts. pound.

ONE-FOURTH OFF marked price of all men's, youths', boys' and children's clothing until Saturday, August 8.
EISEMAN BROS., 7th and E streets.

CARPETS CLEANED by the Empire Carpet Works, 631-635 Mass. ave. n.w., are made moth proof free of charge. Telephone 425-2.

COLONIAL BEACH for Saturday nights, 7:30.

25 PER CENT DISCOUNT off all men's, youths', boys' and children's clothing for one week.
EISEMAN BROS., 7th and E streets.

FUSSELL'S ICE CREAM shipped anywhere out of town by express. 1427 New York ave.

FOR SPRING LAMB
Go to JOHN R. KELLY. Corned beef a specialty. Stalls: 628, 629 and 630 Center Market, 9th st. wing. Telephone call, 1064-2. 206 and 208 Northern Liberty Market.

UNTIL SATURDAY, AUGUST 8,
All men's, youths' and boys' and children's clothing will go at a discount of 25 per cent.
EISEMAN BROS., 7th and E streets.

CITY AND DISTRICT.

EXCURSIONS TOMORROW.

MARSHALL HALL and MT. VERNON.—Charles Macalester at 10 a.m., 2:30 and 6 p.m.

BAY RIDGE.—Trains leave B. and O. station at 9:15 a.m., 1:30 and 4:28 p.m.

COLONIAL BEACH.—George Leary at 9 a.m.

CLIFTON BEACH.—George Leary at 9 a.m.

BETHESDA PARK.—Washington and Tenleytown R.R. every half hour.

MARSHALL HALL.—Carroll Institute excursion. Macalester at 10 a.m., 2:30 and 6 p.m.

COLONIAL BEACH.—Capital Lodge excursion. George Leary at 9 a.m.

CONDENSED LOCALS.

F. X. Gallagher of this city, whose disappearance in New York has been noticed, has been heard from by a telegram announcing that he will return in a few days.

Yesterday afternoon Mamie Goodloe, aged thirty-two, an inmate of the alms house, was taken sick at 11th and G streets southeast and was sent to the hospital at the asylum.

A fire from a defective flue took place at 1025 New York avenue (Rosenberg's furniture store) last evening and about $20 damage resulted.

The Florist Club of this city have decided to extend an invitation to the convention of American florists, which will be held in Toronto, Canada, beginning August 18, to meet next year in this city.

Mr. George C. Sholes, recently appointed to a position in the railway mail service, has been assigned to duty in the general post office.

The Mahone Virginia Republicans.

At a regular meeting of the Mahone Virginia Republican Association last night Ralph Singleton presided and E. T. Lewis acted as secretary. The meeting was well attended and several very spirited speeches made by R. W. Laws, R. B. Baptist, J. Collin and R. W. Langon in the interest of devising plans for effective work by the association to insure republican success in 1892.

Rifle Shooting.

The fourth of a series of rifle matches between teams of six men each from the National Rifles and the Columbia Athletic Club was shot on Analostan Island yesterday and resulted in a victory for the C. A. C. The distance was 200 yards, military target, off-hand. The scores were as follows: National Rifles—McConihe, 11; Taylor, 16; Arnold, 22; Manson, 28; Arnold (re-entry), 24; Manson (re-entry), 24. Total, 125. Columbia Athletic Club—Fletcher, 26; Muldrow, 23; Barrett, 21; Young, 29; Dean, 25; Birney, 25. Total, 149.

Fell From His Wagon.

Timothy Sweeney, a driver of the Independent Ice Company, in getting into his wagon at 12th and D streets yesterday afternoon fell and was injured in his right leg and arm. His wounds were dressed at the Emergency Hospital by Dr. Hall, and he was sent to his home, 13th and D streets southwest.

The Cattle Market.

At the cattle market at Union Stock Yards, Benning, D. C., yesterday 175 cattle were on the market and sold as follows: Best sold from 4¾ to 5c. per pound; good sold from 4¼ to 4½c. per pound; medium sold from 3½ to 4c. per pound; common sold from 2½ to 3c. per pound. Eight hundred and eighteen lambs and sheep on the market and sold as follows: Sheep sold from 3 to 4c. per pound; lambs sold from 5 to 6¼c. per pound. Cows with calves sold from $20 to $45 each. Market for good stock of all kinds was good. Inferior stock was dull.

Washington Has a Sure Thing of It.

Mr. C. B. Rheem of B. H. Warner & Co. last night received the following telegram from Mr. Louis D. Wine of the same firm, who is at Detroit as a member of the invitation committee: "Expect vote to be taken tomorrow by the G. A. R. and we are there, Eh."

Real Estate Matters.

The District of Columbia has purchased for $8,486 of W. H. Ruff, lots 13 and 14, square 778—75 feet on 3d and 110 feet on G street northeast.

Sophia L. Rutherford has purchased for $5,426.20 of J. G. Hill, sub 61, square 96—20.87 by 100 feet on O between 21st and 22d streets northwest.

F. I. Gregory has bought for $5,100 of G. M. Beckett, part 1, block 3, Le Droit Park—16 by 50 feet—No. 337 Florida avenue northwest.

Alexira Williamson has bought for $5,000 of M. William, sub 23, square 103—29 feet 4½ inches by 129 feet 8½ inches—on G between 20th and 21st streets northwest.

$7.90 BUYS a good business suit at E. B. BARNUM's & Co.'s, 931 Pa. ave.—*Advt.*

Mrs. Holliday Protests.

Yesterday Mrs. Mary L. Holliday, by Messrs. Cook & Sutherland, filed a motion against the petition of her husband, Daniel Holliday, jr., to be allowed to amend his bill of divorce by charging adultery. She states that the order for the payment of alimony has not been complied with, that he has not paid the counsel fees; that he is a non-resident, and the allegations he desires to make are not sufficiently definite.

Carpet Salesmen's Convention.

The Carpet Salesmen's Protective Association holds its fifth annual convention in this city, beginning this evening at 9 o'clock with a banquet at the Ebbitt. The association is in a prosperous condition and intends to enjoy itself while here.

For the Children's Country Home.

The following additional contributions have been sent to THE STAR office for the Children's Country Home: F. J. Barrett, Stanford, Conn., $5; no name, $3; Bladensburg, $2; N. M. D., $1; E., $1; E. H. H., $2; Rev. J. M. E. McKee, $5.

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Why the Grand Army Should Meet Here.

From the Baltimore Sun.

The Grand Army could do nothing more in harmony with its purposes and its patriotic impulses than to meet now and then at the national capital.

TAKE A DAY OFF AND GO TO ISLAND PARK, where historical and romantic interest abounds. Such free diversions are provided as boating, bathing, fishing, music and dancing. Excursions every Thursday from B. and O. station at 9:20 and 10:40 a.m.—*Advt.*

ROUND THE WORLD.—Gaze's six months' tour, costing $1,950. Programs and full particulars, see W. P. Van Wickle, 1225 Pennsylvania avenue.—*Advt.*

A LOT OF CROCKERY, mineral waters, one canoe, furniture, &c., at auction by Latimer & Sloan tomorrow. See advertisement.

VETERAN FIREMEN.

Business Transacted at the Meeting of the Association Last Night.

A regular meeting of the Veteran Firemen's Association was held at their hall (the old Union engine house, 19th and H streets northwest,) last evening, Mr. James H. Richards, president, and Mr. John J. Peabody, secretary. On the wall, in addition to other relics, was the handsome heavily-framed painting of Jas. Ward (late president of the association) as president of the Northern Liberties Company of this city and the president of the Northern Liberties' Hose Company of Philadelphia, with the two engine houses in the background. On his death bed Mr. Ward expressed the wish that the picture should be presented to the association, and recently his family turned it over to the association.

W. J. Ferguson (American H. and L. Company) was elected an honorary member.

A communication was received from the Vigilant Fire Company of Columbia asking an escort on the occasion of their visit in October, and the secretary was directed to tender them the use of the house to store their apparatus and to inform them that it will be impracticable to officially receive them.

The invitation to attend the firemen's tournament at Atlantic City about October 1 was declined with thanks. Mr. Kahlert, from the excursion committee, reported the receipts thus far $153.50.

Messrs. Given and Turton, from the entertainment committee, made a supplementary report that the gross receipts were $271.25 and expenses $57.03.

The subject of a celebration in the fall was discussed at some length, and as the sentiment was that until the cost of fitting up the house was liquidated the celebration be postponed, the committee was discharged.

Mementoes were presented as follows: By Mr. Given—Ball invitation of the Columbia Fire Company, April 25, 1859 (from Mrs. Anna Franklin, widow of Joseph Franklin of Franklin Company).

By Mr. Schofield—Constitution of Potomac Fire Company of Georgetown, dated January 13, 1813 (in frame); hat of Henry Addison, formerly president of the Vigilant; badge of same company (worn on hat before companies were uniformed); fire horn, presented by the Western Hose Company to the Vigilant; all from J. D. Angell.

By Mr. Goddard—Union fire hat and the old banner presented by the ladies of the first ward in 1837.

THE DEATH RATE DECLINING.

Facts Stated in Health Officer Hammett's First Weekly Report.

"In general terms the health of the city may be said to be good," says Health Officer Hammett's first weekly report.

"The death rate this week shows a continued decline. The total number of deaths last week was 121, as compared with 111 the present week. The rate per thousand inhabitants is 23.9, while that of the previous week was 25.1. Fatal malarial and typhoid fever cases are below the normal for this season of the year. Traces of the epidemic influenza are seen in the deaths from this disease of two persons during the week, one after five months' duration and the other after a year or more from the first attack.

"Reports from the north of Europe and from the city of Paris up to the 18th of July received at this office indicate a condition of health very similar in details to that of this city, except in the greater number of deaths from acute lung diseases in those countries as compared with those in the District of Columbia."

The report shows a total of 111 deaths, 54 white and 57 colored. Death rate per 1,000 per annum: White, 16.5; colored, 37.0; total population, 23.0; 54 were under five years of age, 41 were under one year old, and 13 over sixty years; 17 of the deaths occurred in hospitals and public institutions.

The deaths by classes were as follows: Zymotic, 31; constitutional, 17; local, 48; developmental, 11; violence, 4.

The principal causes of death were: Diphtheria, 4; consumption, 12; diarrhœal, 15; typhoid fever, 2; malarial fever, 2; scarlet fever, 1; pneumonia, 2; congestion of the lungs, 2; bronchitis, 2; measles, 1; whooping cough, 1; epidemic influenza, 2; cancer, 1; meningitis, 3; kidney diseases, 4. Births reported: 28 white males, 26 white females, 12 colored males, 18 colored females. Marriages reported: 15 white, 7 colored. Still births reported: 2 white, 3 colored.

NOT A CASE OF CRUELTY.

Mr. Stinzing Properly Killed a Dog That Injured His Parking.

Judge Harper rendered a decision in the Police Court this morning in a case of cruelty to animals that will probably operate to the advantage of the many beautiful parkings in front of private houses. Mr. Frederick Stinzing, an old and respected citizen of South Washington, was charged with cruelly killing a dog that belonged to James Adams, one of his neighbors.

Mr. Stinzing keeps a grocery and provision store on Maryland avenue between 6th and 7th streets, and in front of his house there is a wide parking. The grass is kept in splendid condition, and a number of large potted plants are set about, which makes the park a beautiful one. A fence incloses the parking, but it does not keep out the boys and dogs.

Recently several boys and Mr. Adams' pug dog were on the grass and Mr. Stinzing drove them off several times.

When the dog last appeared it upset one of the large plants and Mr. Stinzing threw a stick at the canine. He had no idea of injuring the animal, but the stick struck a vital spot and the dog's death resulted.

Agent Key procured a warrant and it was on his complaint that Mr. Stinzing was called upon to answer in the Police Court.

Among the witnesses he produced was a six-year-old boy, but Judge Hagner did not think that the boy knew the nature of an oath and would not hear his testimony.

The judge said he did not like to see children brought into court in any capacity.

Judge Harper said that the parks were not set apart for dogs to ruin and he thought Mr. Stinzing had done only what any other citizen would have done. He did not think that the dog was wantonly killed or that Mr. Stinzing intended to cause the animal any suffering.

The charge was dismissed.

A GALA WEEK AT BAY RIDGE—DAILY DRILLS BY WASHINGTON AND BALTIMORE SOLDIERS—ALL ATTRACTIONS FREE.—Trains leave Baltimore and Ohio station (week days) at 9:15 a. m., 1:30 and 4:28 p. m.; Sundays, 9:35 a. m., 1:30 and 3:15 p. m. Round trip, $1. Dress parade daily at 7:00 p. m. Friday, August 7, a grand hop will be given at Bay Ridge Hotel, and for the accommodation of those desiring to attend the train scheduled to leave Bay Ridge for Washington at 8:30 p. m. will not leave until 10:00 p. m. Other attractions additional to daily military maneuvers are music by United States Naval Academy Band, open air concerts, theatrical exhibitions, Rodran's mystic performer, six-year-old George Ackerman's club exercises, John and George Strodman's gymnastic and slack wire feats, Frank Cotton and his trick donkeys, all free; also bathing, boating, fishing, crabbing.—*Advt.*

WE HAVE taken stock and culled out 200 suits that now go for $7.90. E. B. BARNUM & Co., 931 Pa. ave.—*Advt.*

EXCURSION TO NIAGARA FALLS VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.—The second tour of the season to Niagara Falls will be given by the Pennsylvania railroad on Thursday, the 6th instant. Special train of coaches and parlor cars will leave 6th street station at 7:10 a.m. on that date, reaching Niagara Falls the same evening. The rate is only $10 for the round trip. Tickets good for ten days and allow of stop off at Watkins Glen and Rochester in either direction and are good to return via Buffalo.—*Advt.*

TEMPERANCE BUSH MEETING AT PURCELLVILLE, AUGUST 5, 6 and 7.—The management of the Richmond and Danville railroad have arranged to run a special train for the accommodation of visitors to the Purcellville temperance bush meeting, August 5 and 6. Leave Washington 7:30 a.m., arrive Purcellville 10 a.m. Returning, leave Purcellville 6 p.m., arriving Washington 8:30 p.m. Regular trains leave Washington 9:10 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Greatly reduced rates for the round trip.

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BUSINESS MEN'S EXCURSIONS TO THE SEASHORE VIA B. AND O. R. R.—Every business man and everybody else familiar with B. and O. excursions to Atlantic City every other Saturday will readily see that their comfort and convenience have been consulted in arranging the train service. A special train leaves B. and O. station at 4:00 p.m., at the close of the day's business, and arrives at Atlantic City before 10 p. m., so that a full night's rest can be secured. No all-night traveling. Special train leaves Atlantic City at 5 p.m. Sunday and arrives at Washington at 10:40 p.m. Tickets also good on all Royal Blue Line trains Monday. Next excursion Saturday, August 8. $3.50 round trip.—*Advt.*

CAMP CECIL CLAY.

The Sixth Battalion Doing Good Work at Bay Ridge.

WARMLY WELCOMED BY EVERY ONE—MANY LADIES VISIT THE CAMP—THE CEREMONY OF CHRISTENING—THE FIRST DETAIL FOR GUARD DUTY—SCENES AND INCIDENTS—RAIN, OF COURSE.

Correspondence of The Evening Star.

CAMP CECIL CLAY,
BAY RIDGE, MD., August 4, 1891.

As stated in Monday's STAR, the sixth battalion, D. C. N. G., was safely embarked for the annual encampment at Bay Ridge, Md. Promptly at 9:15 a.m. the special cars containing the department boys rolled out of the Baltimore and Ohio depot, amid the cheers and parting adieux of a host of friends, who had assembled to see them off. About 11 o'clock the train arrived at its destination without any incident of particular interest, and the short march from the station to the camp grounds was soon effected. The command "stack arms" was given and in a few minutes the boys were at work pitching tents, filling bed sacks, &c., and bustling around like a hive of busy bees in their efforts to make themselves comfortable for a week's sojourn on the shores of the Chesapeake. Tents sprang up all over the grounds as if by magic, and the scenes witnessed would have called to mind the experience of the "fly in the hurricane off Cape Hatteras." Apparently endless confusion existed everywhere, but to the eye of the initiated everything was moving with that clock-like system and observance of details which forms so essential a feature of a thoroughly disciplined military organization.

THE QUARTERMASTER'S LOT.

QUARTERM'R PARSONS.

The quartermaster's department was everywhere at once and the same time, and about everybody else in the battalion was in the near vicinity. Upon such occasions as this the quartermaster's special duties make him at once the friend and the enemy of every man in camp, strange and paradoxical as this may appear. If he has on hand everything that is needed, military and unmilitary, from a hospital tent to a common pin, and has these things where he can go blindfolded and pick them out, he is then, oh, most omnipotent individual! everybody's friend; but, alas, let him be minus of anything or any article of outfit, and lo and behold! the very atmosphere becomes hazy and takes on a decidedly bluish tinge from the frequently distorted and perverted use of what is commonly known as the "king's English," and he is considered the worst enemy that mankind, particularly soldierkind, ever possessed. However, there never was a whirlwind that was not followed by a calm, and in spite of numerous difficulties and perplexing situations the camp of the sixth battalion was pitched, fully equipped and ready for occupancy, before the dinner call at 1 o'clock was sounded. Great credit is due, in this connection, to Quartermaster Sergeant Richard J. Dennally, the indefatigable assistant to Lieut. John W. Parsons, the quartermaster, who, under the latter's supervision, labored assiduously and intelligently to bring order out of chaos, and who succeeded, most admirably in doing so.

MILITARY DUTY COMMENCED.

Promptly at 2 o'clock in the afternoon the round of military duty was taken up and guard was mounted for the first time in the camp. The ceremony was most admirably enacted under the guiding hand of the most excellent right bower of Maj. Bartlett, Adjutant Alexder B. McDowell. This officer, by his commanding presence and thorough knowledge of the tactics, aids most materially in making the ceremonies in which he participates a decided success from a military standpoint.

CAPT. JESSE M. BASSETT.

The officer of the day was Capt. Jesse M. Bassett, the popular commander of the Treasury Guards, company B, assisted by Lieut. E. D. Smoot of company A, as senior officer of the guard, and Lieut. J. T. Simpson of company C, as junior officer of the guard. The guard detail on this the first day of camp had duty to perform about as onerous and exacting as could well be imagined. Tired and worn out with the labor already accomplished in pitching the camp and getting their quarters in order, the members of the Treasury Guards must have felt but ill-prepared for a long tour of monotonous guard duty, but it is the business of the soldier to obey, and it is almost needless to say that the duties assigned to Capt. Bassett's detail were satisfactorily performed. During the evening the downpour of rain was continuous and violent, accompanied with high winds blowing with great force, but the guard detail continued its duty in spite of the elements, and when Adjutant McDowell made his rounds on Monday night he found the sentinels alert and active and guarding their posts with the fidelity of veterans, challenging promptly and correctly. Maj. Bartlett was much pleased with the report in this connection made by the adjutant.

THE COMFORT OF BED SACKS.

The experience Monday night of the sixth battalion during the terrible downpour of rain before alluded to has proven to the entire satisfaction of the command that it is possible to go into camp without tent floors and be comfortable to a degree that was hardly to be anticipated. This assertion rests to a great extent, of course, upon the nature of the soil upon which the camp is pitched. Here, at Bay Ridge, the soil is sandy and porous and readily absorbs all moisture. Hence the use of bed sacks filled with good, dry straw, is not at all incompatible with comfortable sleep and rest. For the benefit of those who do not know how the department boys—the "fellows with patent-leather shoes and dude manners," as they are called by some—obtain a good night's rest, the explanation which follows may be of interest. A bed sack is simply a bed tick, made of canvas, about the size sufficient to cover a small single bedstead, with a small slit or opening on one side, into which the dry straw is forced until the sack assumes the proportions of the celebrated "German feather bed." This is then laid on a "poncho" or rubber blanket, the latter being placed on the ground, glazed side down. It will thus be seen that no moisture from the ground can communicate itself to the sleeper. With tents, on sandy soil, the use of tent floors would seem to be a superfluity.

MANY FAIR VISITORS.

Monday afternoon the camp was overrun with visitors from Baltimore and the national capital, among whom were a large representation of the fair sex, who actually took possession of the camp and explored its every nook and corner.

Lieut. E. D. Smoot, senior officer of the guard on Monday, was born in old Virginia, in the historic county of Fairfax, on April 27, 1851. Early in his youth he removed to Washington, D. C., graduating with high honors in the public schools of that city. Shortly after his graduation he became interested in military matters, and, on account of his faithful and meritorious service, was unanimously elected second lieutenant of company A, Post Office and Interior Guards, sixth battalion, and after serving a probationary period in this capacity and passing a most creditable examination before the brigade board of examiners, was promoted to the first lieutenancy of the same company, and received his commission on July 4 1890. Independence day. Lieut. Smoot is of revolutionary descent, his grandfather having served in the war for independence and the earlier Indian wars. He is very popular with his company and is a deserving soldier.

The following orders were read by Adjutant McDowell just after supper on Monday evening:

"Headquarters Sixth Battalion, D. C. N. G.
"BAY RIDGE, MD., August 3, 1891.
"Orders No. 27.

"I. Capt. W. E. Horton of the brigade staff is hereby detailed as special aid on the staff of the major commanding. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

"II. First Lieut. and Adjt. Alexander B. McDowell will, in addition to his duties as adjutant, act as special instructor of sentinels.

"By order of MAJOR BARTLETT.
"ALEXANDER B. MCDOWELL,
First lieutenant and adjutant."

CAPT. WALKER.

Among those who accompanied the battalion from Washington were Mrs. Walker, wife of Capt. B. L. Walker of company A, and her little girl; Mrs. Parsons, wife of Lieut. Parsons, quartermaster, and her two young daughters; Mrs. L. E. Cudlip, Mr. Freeman R. Green of the coast and geodetic survey and many others, who propose remaining at the Bay Ridge Hotel during the encampment of the sixth. The morning of Tuesday opened gloomily for the sixth battalion. Dull, lowering clouds, heavy rain, soggy condition of everything from front to center and a general feeling that service in the National Guard of the District of Columbia was not always what it was cracked up to be, pervaded the entire battalion.

THE CAMP CHRISTENING.

An interesting ceremony was performed at noon yesterday in the observance of all the ceremonies incident to the naming and proper designation of the camp. The rain having stopped and every appearance of clear weather being indicated, the major issued orders for the battalion to assemble at 12 o'clock noon to witness the raising of the flag and to hear the formal announcement of the name of the camp. The battalion was drawn up in line and with present guns and the officers saluting, the camp was formally named by Maj. George A. Barlett camp "Cecil Clay," in honor of the commander of the second regiment of the District of Columbia National Guard. The boys cheered again and again as the post flag fluttered out to the breeze, and it was plainly evident that Col. Cecil Clay, whatever may be said by his critiques, was a favorite with the rank and file of the sixth battalion. The ceremony was a very impressive one, and those who witnessed it could not fail to realize its importance.

The action of the management at Bay Ridge has been particularly gratifying to the members of the sixth battalion. Everything that could be offered within the range of reason has been tendered in the way of assistance and advice by the Bay Ridge Hotel Company.

ARRANGING FOR RIFLE PRACTICE.

Capt. Horton and Lieut. Vale have been very busy in arranging for rifle practice, but there have been many difficulties so far encountered. The chances are that the battalion will have to do a little marching to and fro from the range, as an eligible site is difficult to secure within easy distance of the camp. There are any number of fine locations around the Bay Ridge grounds, but their proximity to the hotel and the possibility of danger arising from stray shots has induced Lieut. Vale to look outside the grounds for a site which will eliminate all objectionable features.

The discipline of the camp is well nigh perfect. The redoubtable adjutant has put a West Point dress on everything. Maj. Bartlett, who is one of the most unassuming officers in the National Guard and almost entirely devoid of any inclination for "putting on frills," feels somewhat embarrassed at the display made in his honor whenever he takes a turn around the camp. The guard is turned out, arms presented, salutes, &c., whenever the major puts in an appearance.

The medical department is in fine shape, and Surgeon Woodman feels glorious over the almost entire absence of any one on the sick list. There have been a few cases of slight indisposition arising from change of diet and water, but beyond this the health of the camp is excellent. The doctor is pleased beyond measure at the condition of affairs in his department.

COL CLAY'S TELEGRAM.

At supper on Tuesday evening Adjutant McDowell read the following telegram from the colonel commanding:

Washington, D. C.,
August 4, 1891.

Maj. Geo. A. Bartlett, Commanding sixth battalion, Camp Cecil Clay, Bay Ridge, Md.:

I am touched by your giving camp my name. The latter, like all else entrusted to it, is safe in the hands of the ever-reliable sixth.

CECIL CLAY,
Colonel, Second Regiment.

The enthusiasm created by the reading of this telegram was unbounded. If Col. Clay had been present he would never have had the slightest doubt as to the loyalty of the sixth battalion and its devotion to the interests of the second regiment.

The camp is full of newspaper correspondents from Baltimore and other cities, who are indefatigable in their search after news appertaining to the camp.

The boys are beginning to get acquainted with the beauties and attractions of the place, and it is hard to go anywhere within the grounds without finding them represented. Bathing was largely indulged in yesterday afternoon by a number of them.

The officer of the day yesterday was Capt. Riley of company B, fourth battalion, attached, and the senior and junior officers of the guard were, respectively, Lieuts. J. S. Tomlinson of the Treasury Guards and Lieut. McCauley of company A.

Extended order drill was the feature of yesterday afternoon, Capt. Wilson of company C being in command of the detachment.

Dress parade was executed in fine style and received favorable comment from several prominent military men who were present. An instructor of tactics, connected with a South Carolina military institution, located at Charleston, S.C., expressed himself in hearty terms of commendation and admiration at the close of the ceremony.

Dr. Berryhill of Washington arrived last evening and spent a few hours very pleasantly at headquarters.

COULD NOT FIND A MINISTER.

Trials of an Eloping Couple Who Had Secured a Marriage License.

The first applicants at the office of the clerk of the court this morning for a marriage license were a young couple from Staunton, Va., who gave their names as Thomas R. Long and Mary Margaret Fisher, and they were accompanied by a gentleman friend, who came to assist. The young man was about twenty-one years of age and appeared to be in his ordinary working clothes, while the young lady, perhaps three years his junior, was quite handsome and was attired in a tasty brown dress. They did not disguise the fact that they came here to outwither parents, who objected to the union principally on the score of youth. The lady, while Clerk Hodges was making out the license, spoke freely of their departure from their homes at an early hour and was quite anxious to know if they would find any difficulty in obtaining a minister who would finish the job. When it was suggested that there was a minister in the building they readily accepted the services of Mr. Hollohan, a messenger of the court, and he went for Rev. Mr. Bailey of the civil service, but that gentleman was not in. Under the escort of Mr. Holloban Dr. Sunderland, Dr. Addison and Dr. Corey's residences were called on, but each one was absent, and Mr. Hollohan was obliged to leave them to find a minister themselves.

THE RAILS ON B STREET.

Residents and Property Owners Want Them Laid Near the Curb.

The Commissioners this morning received from a delegation of residents and property owners, composed of Messrs. Thomas W. Smith, John G. Slater, C. T. Bride, T. J. Mayer, Joseph Hartman and Dr. M. M. Moffett, a petition from the residents of East Washington protesting against the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company placing their cable tracks in the center of B street between 1st and 2d streets southeast, instead of laying the same near the curbing along the entire length of the new library site.

The petition states as reasons for the protest that B street furnishes the only direct communication for traffic between Pennsylvania avenue northwest and Pennsylvania avenue southeast, and at present it is entirely too narrow for the amount of travel which must necessarily pass over it. And further that the laying of the cable line in the center of the street will be both dangerous to life and detrimental to the interest of the entire southeastern section.

$7.90 BUYS a good business suit at E. B. BARNUM's & Co.'s, 931 Pa. ave.—*Advt.*

Virginia Republicans.

The Virginia Republican Association at one of the largest meetings in the history of the club elected the following officers for the ensuing year: J. H. Harrison, president; B. F. Batts, vice president; Henry Cox, second vice president; W. C. White, third vice president; F. D. Lee, corresponding secretary; D. W. Jones, recording secretary; Wm. Dishmann, financial secretary; F. Allen, treasurer. After the election Chairman J. H. Harrison escorted the association to his residence, where they were hospitably entertained. It is proposed to have a public installation of officers some time during September. W. W. Evans, secretary of the State League of Virginia, was present and spoke in high terms of the association.

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Washington Will Get It.

Detroit Special to the New York Herald.

The next national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Washington city. The justice of this assertion may not be conceded by the partisans of Lincoln, Neb., but the logic of the situation fully justifies the statement. Diligent inquiry at the various department headquarters indicates that when the roll of states is called on the location of the next encampment Washington will get the prize by a vote of nearly two to one.

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DISTRICT POLITICS.

What is Being Done in Both Republican and Democratic Circles.

SOME ACTIVITY IN THE FORMER ACCORDING TO W. CALVIN CHASE AND PERRY CARSON—WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT DELEGATES—THE DEMOCRATS QUIET ACCORDING TO MR. GARDNER.

The local republican politicians are at work preparing for the convention next year and the question of which particular faction will send the two delegates is now agitating the different leaders. Each faction seems confident of victory and each leader expects to go to the convention and also name the other delegate who is to go with him. Among the many claims of the leaders is one that the fight this year will be an orderly one and will not be a repetition of the last disorderly gathering that was called a convention. The young republicans are boasting that they will carry the day and defeat the old war horses, as some of the older politicians call themselves.

In making this assertion they do not refer to Andrew Gleeson, as they say he has a pull with all factions, and if he is a candidate he can be elected without much trouble. While this is the general feeling there are some who claim that Gleeson will not be in it this time and that some man like M. M. Parker will be sent to cast one vote for the District in the nominating convention.

MR. CHASE SAYS HE WILL GO.

Editor W. Calvin Chase of the *Bee* is the recognized leader of the young republicans and he asserts that the old war horses cannot possibly defeat him. "I am going as a delegate to the convention," is what he says, "and will be elected by a respectable body of men."

Exactly when the convention will be held is not known, nor is it known when the primaries will be held in this city. Should the convention be held as early as May or June the primaries will be held here about the latter part of November or some time in December, as Washington is always the first to elect its delegates.

Maj. A. H. S. Davis is chairman of the republican central committee and he will no doubt call a meeting soon after the meeting of the national committee.

There are twenty-two election districts and each is entitled to five delegates and two alternates in the convention and to three members and two alternates of the central committee.

The young republicans, under the leadership of Editor Chase, are going to make a new move in the way of securing a reform this year, as their leader says that bulldozing has played the most important part in past elections.

PLAN OF THE YOUNG REPUBLICANS.

Their plan, as stated by Editor Chase, is to ask that the voters register a week or so before the primaries are held and have the election carried on in a manner similar to the elections in the states. This, he says, would bring about a much needed reform, if such a thing is possible.

"But," he says, "this will be opposed by the Carson faction. They don't want fair elections, for it would mean defeat for them."

Editor Chase says that should the plan suggested be adopted it will bring out more respectable citizens to the polls and there will be no repetition of the past disorderly gatherings.

Then, again, he says it will bring out the young white republicans, who have promised to take part in the proceedings and help send two representative republicans to the convention. On account of the large number of candidates this year Editor Chase predicts a lively convention, but he says there will not be the chance for criticism that there was four years ago.

NAMES LIKELY TO BE MENTIONED.

Among the persons whose names have been mentioned as likely to come before the convention are B. H. Warner, M. M. Parker, Commissioner J. W. Douglass, Perry Carson, Prof. J. M. Gregory, Andrew Gleeson, W. Calvin Chase, John H. Smythe, H. W. Coffin, John F. Cook and Maj. A. H. S. Davis.

COL. PERRY CARSON TALKS.

"I have not yet decided whether I will run as a candidate or not," said Perry Carson, "but the chances are that I will run, and no other candidate can defeat me."

"How about Mr. Chase's candidacy?" he was asked.

"He hasn't any show in the world," was the reply. "Mr. Chase," he continued, "has claimed since 1876 that he was the leader of the young republicans, but I tell you he is not the leader of anything. He has always been a candidate, but so far as I know he has never received a complimentary vote."

Speaking of his own candidacy Mr. Carson said he had no desire to go to the convention this year, as the expense was a good deal and he alone had to defray it.

Concerning the registration suggestion of Mr. Chase, he said the voters were perfectly satisfied with the present mode of electing the delegates and there was no money to pay for poll books, &c., that would have to be had for such purposes.

MASS MEETINGS POPULAR.

Mass meetings, he said, was the popular manner of electing the delegates, and that was adopted after the board of public works was wiped out of existence. At that time, he said, interest had died out in republican politics and Mr. Gleeson, Phil Julian and himself revived interest and adopted the present mode of electing delegates, which was ratified by the people.

"There is some opposition to me among certain people," he said, "but it is a personal matter. Such persons as William H. Jones, Bernard West, Marcellus West and other high-toned politicians are opposed to me, but their opposition amounts to nothing."

Mr. Carson said that he would pay but little attention to the matter before the meeting of the national committee.

In conclusion he referred to Mr. Chase and smiled when he said that he (Carson) captured three delegates in his (Chase's) district four years ago.

IN MR. CARSON'S INTEREST.

Lawyer Moss, who lives in the first district, which includes Hillsdale and a number of small villages in the county, said to a reporter today that he had been spoken to by a number of persons in his district who had requested him to run for the city convention in the interest of Carson.

DEMOCRATS QUIET.

So far as could be learned today there is little actual activity among local democratic politicians as yet in regard to the selection of delegates to the next democratic national convention. As Mr. Lawrence Gardner, one of the most prominent of the local democrats, expressed it: "The convention is almost too far off to stir up much excitement."

The local central committee will some time during the winter settle on the time for holding the various district elections at which delegates to the local convention will be elected. The local convention will then, as usual, select the delegates to attend the national convention. Practically no work has as yet been done to further the interests of any especial candidates for delegates.

There is some talk among the friends of various prominent men, which simply boiled down means: Smith says to Brown, why would not Jones be a good man to represent the city? The district elections will be held some time in March or April.

THE LEAGUE MEETING IN NEW YORK.

The main topic among local democrats is the departure on the 11th of Mr. Lawrence Gardner for New York to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the National Association of Democratic Clubs. The executive committee is composed of Congressman Wm. L. Wilson of West Virginia, president; Lawrence Gardner, secretary; Congressman Harry Welles Rusk of Maryland, Robert G. Monroe of New York, Alex. T. Ankeney of Minnesota, Chauncey F. Black of Pennsylvania, Harvey N. Collinson of Massachusetts, Roswell P. Flower of New York, George H. Lambert of New Jersey, Charles Ogden of Nebraska, Bradley G. Schley of Wisconsin and Edward B. Whitney of New York.

The association expects to do some hard work during the next campaign in the doubtful states, and to that end strenuous efforts are being put forth to thoroughly organize the membership. The association has correspondents in every county possible, who make continued and detailed reports to the secretary concerning the political movements and prospects in the county. The secretary of the executive committee is for the purpose of reviewing their correspondence and taking such action as seems best.

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GEORGETOWN.

DEATH OF RICHARD P. JACKSON.

One by one in rapid succession the old citizens of Georgetown are passing away. Last night about 11 o'clock at his home on O street, surrounded by his entire family, Mr. Richard P. Jackson, the author of "Chronicles of Georgetown," peacefully gave up his life. Death resulted from a general breaking up of the system. For over two-score years Mr. Jackson has been classed at or near the head of the list of prominent and useful citizens, and his death is a great loss to the community. For several weeks he has been very low, and the days ago Drs. Peters and Appleby settled that he was past medical assistance. To the moment of his death Mr. Jackson retained his bright mind and remarkable memory. He was born November 6, 1816, of Quaker parents in the same house he at the time of his death occupied as a law office. He began his business life as a clerk in a grocery store, and in leisure hours studied law from which he graduated many years