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THE EVENING STAR has a regular and permanent circulation in Washington three times larger than that of any other paper in the city.

Now the people of the capital are told that Secretary Carlisle is valiantly organizing a raid upon those wretched beings in the unclassified service of the Treasury Department who have the misfortune to be permanent residents of the District of Columbia.

The appointment of offices law should be abolished, or restricted, not extended in its application. The advantages of a reasonably simple public service, appointments to which in all but the highest positions are secured through merit shown in competitive examinations.

Both the increase of price and interruption in the delivery of ice will, it is feared, be more seriously injurious to the public health than approaching hot season than during any other period that could be selected. In case of epidemic, or threatened epidemic, or of active preparations to ward off a possible epidemic, the first precautions are to be taken in respect to the water supply.

An imported evil that has become annoyingly great—the "tipping" system—will doubtless be swollen by the presence in this country during the coming summer of thousands of Europeans who were born and have been reared in an atmosphere of "tips."

The trolley company in Georgetown, not content with the obstructions which our legislators permitted them to disfigure the streets with, has applied for and secured permission to string on the alley poles two arc-light wires—

Recklessly illigal are those fighters who while they believe in heavy fortifications and in armor plate of much thickness are opposed to the use of protective clothing for the men on whom, after all, most of the combative burden would weigh heavily.

What a lovely time a ferry-boat or a runaway garage scene could have in Hampton Roads during the navigation season.

Now that Georgetown College has beaten Harvard at base ball, all that remains for it to do is to get up a football team next fall that can hold its own with Princeton and Yale.

The demand for Adlai's tax seems to have been subordinated to a clamor for Mr. Olney's trust-smashing sledge-hammer.

Turkey should not presume too far on the fact that our Great Thanksgiving bird is named after her.

The newspaper-reading public of New York is just recovering from the fact that a real lord ruled his vassals in the metropolis.

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