LOCAL MENTION.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast Till 8 p.m. Friday.

For the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia, increasing cloudiness and possibly showers in the interior tonight or Friday morning; warmer tonight; fresh easterly winds.

Condition of the Water.

Temperature and condition of water at 8 a.m.: Great Falls, temperature, —; condition, —; receiving reservoir, temperature, 61; condition at north connection, 5; condition at south connection, 36; distributing reservoir, temperature, 60; condition at influent gate house, 7; effluent gate house, 10.

Tides Tomorrow.

High tide.	Low tide.
8:58 a.m. 9:26 p.m.	3:16 a.m. 3:21 p.m.

ABOUT MEN'S UNDERWEAR.

If in need of Underwear you will find our stock complete in all the popular colors, weights and textures. Warm Woolen Shirts and Drawers from $1.50 a suit upward. Prices guaranteed as low as any other house will sell same qualities. You are cordially invited to call and see what we can do for you. R. C. LEWIS & SON, Strictly One Price Men's Outfitters and Hatters, 1421 New York ave.

We will make for a few days a special sale of Cook's Balm of Life at 65c.

Positively cures indigestion, dyspepsia, inflammation, external and internal diseases. ASTON PHARMACY, 11th and G sts.

Don't fail to have Rice make you a dozen of his new style Mantello Cabinet Photos. Only $2.00 per dozen. 1217-1219-1225 Pennsyvania ave. n. w.

For rent, 3334 Prospect ave., Georgetown, 8 rooms, $20.30 per month. Owner, 718 15th

Fall styles—Men's Derby Hats, $1.50 and $2; extra value. A. T. Lewis, 435 7th street. N. B.—A good Felt Derby for $1.

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No. 606 Md. av. s. w., 16 1-2 by about 82 feet to alley, $2,800. Owner, 718 15th n. w.

Just received a car of large, ripe, strictly choice Burbank Potatoes. 80c. per bushel. W. H. WALKER, 946-48-50 Louisiana ave.

New 9-room house, 3303 O street, for sale cheap. Owners, 718 15th n. w.

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The Great Rush still continues at the Empire Carpet Cleaning Works, 631-635 Massachusetts ave. Telephone, 425. Carpets made moth-proof free of charge.

CITY AND DISTRICT

AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT.

Albaugh's Grand Opera House.—"The New South."

New National Theater.—Geo. Thatcher in "Africa."

Academy of Music.—Fay Templeton Opera Company in "Madame Favart."

Harris' Bijou Theater.—"Ivy Leaf."

Kernan's Lyceum Theater.—London Theater Specialty Company.

Wonderland, 7th street between D and E streets northwest.—Entertainments day and night.

Willard's Hall.—A Musicale and Literary Entertainment.

Metzerott Music Hall.—Concert by the Fisk Jubilee Singers.

EXCURSIONS TOMORROW.

Mount Vernon.—Macalester leaves at 10 a.m.

Tally-ho coach line from 511 13th street at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. for Arlington, Cabin John bridge and all points of interest.

Ladies of the G. A. R.

U. S. Grant Circle, No. 1, Ladies of the G. A. R., gave a social at their rooms in the Typographical Temple, on G street, Tuesday evening, the 24th instant. The hall was prettily decorated with mottoes and flags. The entertainment was presided over by the president, Mrs. Nellie C. Royce, assisted by the past president, Mrs. Florence C. George. After some appropriate remarks from the president concerning the aims and objects of the order, Mrs. Chrissie Thurston opened the entertainment with a piano solo; Mrs. Ballinger favored the audience with several songs, which were well received; Mr. Ballinger contributed a guitar solo; Mrs. Nallor and Miss Edith Perkins gave recitations, and Mrs. Royce sang the "Star Spangled Banner." After refreshments were served the floor was cleared for dancing, during which Miss Anna Ackert executed some excellent fancy dances.

He Became Disorderly.

Last evening there was an entertainment given in the O street armory and Edward Stewart was the occupant of a seat set apart for the patrons. The program was rather dry for him, and between the numbers he went out and got something wet. He imbibed more of the wetness than was good for his brain and the result was that he became disorderly and tried to break up the show. Special Officer Brockenborough was there and he arrested Stewart for disorderly conduct.

In Judge Kimball's court this morning Stewart made all sorts of denials and said: "He never saw me at the hall before."

"I hope he will never see you there again," said the court. "These disorders at public entertainments must stop, and you can pay a fine of $20 or go down for sixty days."

Would-Be Wire Tappers Foiled.

It has just come to light that last week some wire tappers were in town for the purpose of intercepting the returns to the Jackson City pool rooms. Three of the party registered as H. Summerfield, W. H. Clarke and F. Cook of New York at the Riggs House, while the fourth was Chas. Montreath, alias Mann, who was stopping with relatives here. The latter was arrested and taken before Inspector Hollinberger, and owned up to their object, and was released on agreeing to leave the city.

Officers Elected.

Bethlehem Baptist Sunday school of Hillsdale has elected officers as follows: President, G. D. Graham; vice president, W. Bell; secretary, Garnett Wilkinson; treasurer, Jennie Simpson; chorister, A. Taylor; organist, Florence Elezer.

Officers Thanked.

Trustee B. K. Bruce, Supervising Principal Montgomery and Superintendent G. F. T. Cook have addressed a letter to Lieut. Gessford of the eighth precinct, returning thanks for the timely assistance during the panic at the Garnett school on Thursday 19th instant. They state: "The prompt and efficient aid given by the officers averted beyond question the loss of life, and reduced the injury to the minimum. Officers Bremerman, Foley, Bruce, Mitchel, Lee, Bryan, Kelly and Montgomery in restraining the frantic parents showed the utmost consideration and displayed qualities which mark true gentlemen. We believe that we also express the thanks of teachers and parents in thus apprising you of our feelings."

An Old Driver Dead.

About 10 o'clock last night "Bud" Harrington, a well-known trainer and driver of trotting horses, died at the Brightwood race track suddenly of apoplexy. The deceased came here from Philadelphia about seven or eight months ago and established a training stable at the Benning track, which business he gave up a short time ago to do driving.

The Situation in Utah.

The situation in Utah will be discussed this evening at the Church of the Covenant by Dr. S. E. Wishard, who has been for some years thoroughly familiar with that territory. He is an entertaining talker on a theme that is exciting a great deal of public interest.

Admission to the Bar.

Next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock an examination of applicants for admission to the bar of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia will be held at the office of the civil service commission, Concordia building, corner of 8th and E streets northwest.

Death of William Xander.

The remains of Mr. William Xander, the son of Jacob Xander, were today taken to Baltimore for cremation. Mr. Xander died at his home, 1315 7th street, after sickness of three weeks, from typhoid fever. He was just entering upon a career of great promise.

MILLIONS WANTED.

The Commissioners Prepare Their Bill for a System of Sewers.

THEY WANT DISTRICT BONDS.

The Bill Provides for $5,125,000 Bonds Guaranteed by Congress.

THE BILL AS DRAWN.

Will Congress permit the District to bond itself to the extent of $5,125,000 for the purpose of completing a system of trunk sewers and to provide means for sewage disposal?

That is the great question that agitates the Commissioners these days. As a public necessity they place it at the head of the list and will urge it before anything else.

It will be recalled that The Star called attention to this matter some time ago. The first proposition was to ask Congress for permission to bond the District to the extent of $7,500,000, but after some deliberation it was decided that $5,125,000 would be sufficient.

Since the first publication of their desire to provide some means for completing the sewerage system the engineer department has been wrestling with a bill for introduction in Congress.

The attorney for the District was called in and offered several suggestions.

Today the bill was completed and at the afternoon session of the board Capt. Powell presented it for the consideration of the Commissioners.

The bill in full is as follows:

The bill provides that the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be authorized within sixty days after the passage of this act, having prepared the necessary plans therefor, to proceed with the work of completing the system of trunk sewers in the District of Columbia, and also to proceed with the work of completing a system of sewage disposal for protection against floods, in accordance with the plans recommended by the board of sanitary engineers in their report to Congress upon the sewerage of the District of Columbia in 1890. Provided, That the extension of the system of trunk sewers shall not exceed $1,000,000, and that the cost of continuing and completing the system of sewage disposal for protection against floods herein provided for, shall not exceed the sum of $4,125,000.

Bonds Proposed.

That in order to provide the money necessary to defray the cost and expense of executing the works authorized by this act, the treasurer of the United States, as ex-officio sinking fund commissioner of the District of Columbia, be, and he is hereby, authorized, and it shall be his duty, to cause bonds of the District of Columbia to be prepared to the amount of $5,125,000, bearing date July 1, 1894, payable fifty years after date, bearing interest at the rate of 3 per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, to be signed by him and be countersigned by the auditor of said District and sealed as the board of Commissioners may direct, which bonds shall be exempted from taxation by federal, state or municipal authority, and shall be engraved and printed at the expense of the District of Columbia, and in form not inconsistent herewith. And the faith of the United States is hereby pledged that the United States will by proper proportional appropriations, as contemplated in the act of June 11, 1878, to provide a government for the District of Columbia, pay the interest on said bonds as the same may become due and payable, and create a sinking fund for the payment thereof, one-half the amount expended under the authority of this section to be charged against the revenues of the District of Columbia. The principal and interest upon said bonds shall be made payable at the treasury of the United States. Said bonds will be numbered consecutively and registered in the office of the register of the United States treasury, for which registration the Secretary of the Treasury shall make such provision as may be necessary.

That whenever any money shall be required to defray the cost and expenses incurred under this act the Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall make requisition upon the treasurer of the United States for the amount due and payable, and the treasurer of the United States is hereby authorized to sell and dispose of from time to time any of the bonds prepared under this act, at not less than their par value, to the most favorable bidder or bidders, after having advertised the same for ten consecutive days in two daily newspapers in Washington city and two in the city of New York, the bids to be opened under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Treasury, and the award to be subject to his approval; and the proceeds of any such sale or sales shall be applied to the payment of the expenses incurred under the provisions of this act and to no other purposes whatever.

Proposals for Work.

That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall invite proposals for the work provided in this act, and where the total cost of any item of said work shall exceed the sum of $1,000, notice shall be given in one newspaper in Washington city, in said District, and if the total cost of any item shall exceed the sum of $5,000, then in one newspaper in the city of Washington and one in each of the cities of New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, for one week, such advertisement to refer bidders to plans and specifications for the work proposed to be done. And the lowest responsible bidder for the kind and character of the work which the Commissioners shall determine upon, shall in all cases be accepted: Provided, however, that the Commissioners shall have the right in their discretion to reject any and all such proposals: Provided further, That work capable of being executed under a single contract shall not be subdivided so as to reduce the sum of money to be paid therefor to less than $1,000. And provided further, That if, in the judgment of said Commissioners, the public interest will be promoted thereby, they may purchase at the lowest market price, and furnish to contractors certain of the materials necessary in the execution of the works herein required to be done, and pay for said materials out of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds herein authorized.

Contract Requirements.

That all contracts for the construction of the work herein provided for shall be made and entered into only by and with the official and unanimous consent of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and all contracts shall be copied in a book kept for that purpose and be signed by the Commissioners, and no contract involving an expenditure of $500 and upwards shall be valid until signed and recorded as aforesaid. And good and sufficient bonds to the United States in a penal sum of not less than the amount of the contract with sureties to be approved by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall be required from all contractors, guaranteeing that the terms of their contract shall be strictly and faithfully performed to the satisfaction of and acceptance by said Commissioners; and that contractors shall keep the work performed by them in repair for a term of five years from the date of the completion of their contract, and 10 per cent of the cost of all new work shall be retained as additional security and guarantee to make good defects in the original construction and to keep the same in repair for said term, which said per centum shall be invested in registered bonds of the United States or the District of Columbia, and the interest thereon paid said contractors.

That no money shall be paid for any work done under the provisions of this act, except upon the approval and order of the Commissioners of said District.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses have been issued by the clerk of the court to the following: Jonathan Watson and Mary E. Lantet; Chas. Frederick Tolson and Stella Botts; Arthur G. Van Horn and Sadie B. Carpenter; John M. Williams of Tuckahoe, N. J., and Ida B. Morgan; John T. Conners and Helen E. Murphy; Willis Pool and Annie Carter; Edward Paxson and Etta Moran, both of Loudoun county, Va.; John W. Green and Estella M. Wedding; John Gray and Ellen Goodloe; Alec Dabney and Alice Gordon, both of Prince William county, Va.; A. Scott Imirie and Cecilia A. Daly; Thos. M. Cavner and Sarah Parks; Samuel Dawson of Philadelphia, Pa., and Bertha Brown of Marlboro', Md.; Edwin L. Springman and Julia L. Diggins; C. J. Klein and Estelle L. Mann; J. Edward Fowler and Mary T. Aaron; F. A. De Groot and Ida C. Royce; Samuel L. Willett and Jane E. Flood; James F. Bryant and Lucy G. Thomas.

DISTRICT ESTIMATES.

The Commissioners Submit Them Today With Some Remarks.

Estimates Up to the Expected Receipts and Supplemental Estimates—The Totals Asked This Year.

The Commissioners today completed their estimates for the support of the District government for the next fiscal year, and sent them to the Secretary of the Treasury with the following letter of explanation:

The Commissioners of the District of Columbia herewith transmit their estimate of appropriations for the support of the government of said District for the fiscal year to end June 30, 1895, amounting to $6,701,079.23, payable out of the general revenues, and $265,083.93, payable out of the revenues of the water department.

Accompanying these estimates of expenditures are statements of estimated receipts of the District government, exclusive of the receipts of the water department, for said period; a memorandum of the reasons for submitting new or changed items compared with the appropriations for the support of the said government for the current fiscal year, and schedules of proposed work on sundry streets, avenues and roads embraced in these estimates.

Following the custom observed in submitting the annual estimates for District expenditures since the establishment of the present form of government for the District, the Commissioners have confined the estimate of expenditures within the amount of estimated receipts. They are not aware of any law which requires them to so limit their estimate of expenditures, but they have thought it advisable to conform to the usage in the premises.

The estimated appropriations are $223,401.79 less than the estimated receipts, exclusive of the water department, but the Commissioners have not included in their estimates the amount that will be necessary to pay the fourth installment on the District's share of the expense on account of Rock Creek Park, as required by act of September 27, 1890 (U. S. Stats.-at-Large, vol. 26, page 495), and the amounts to pay the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia and the justices of the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, one-half of which are made payable from the revenues of the District by the act of February 9, 1893 (U. S. Stats.-at-Large, vol. 27, page 436). Although the Commissioners are not required by law to estimate for these purposes they have endeavored to comply with the manifest intent of the law by leaving a sufficient balance of their estimated receipts to cover those obligations.

The estimates herewith so submitted do not, in the judgment of the Commissioners, embrace all the items necessary for the proper administration of the District government for the period they are intended to cover, hence, while adhering to precedent they deem it their duty to add to these estimates a supplemental statement regarding certain public works whose execution cannot further be delayed without serious prejudice to the public interests, and they earnestly desire these supplemental statements to be considered by Congress for the fiscal year for which these estimates have been prepared.

The delay which the Commissioners regret in the submission of these estimates was due to the fact that the principal basis of the estimated receipts was the footings of the general assessments as revised under the provisions of the act of August 5, 1892, which have only recently been furnished.

An Injunction Asked.

Yesterday Mr. Irving Williamson, for John F. Waggaman, filed a bill for an injunction and account against the United States Life Insurance and Trust Company of Pennsylvania to restrain the sale of lots 32 and 37, block 2, Le Droit Park, and a restraining order was issued. The complainant states that three years ago he conveyed the property to M. Ashford and C. H. Williamson, trustees, to secure an indebtedness of $16,900, and has since paid off $5,814, and in June last, when he endeavored to make a final settlement, he found that he was charged a much larger sum than he expected, and refused to pay further, and the defendant now threatens to sell.

Undue Influence Charged.

The will of Christopher Waters is to be contested, Archibald Waters, by Woodbury Wheeler, having filed notice in the Probate Court of such intention, stating that he is the sole heir-at-law, and charging that the execution of the will depriving him of his rights was procured by the undue influence of Margaret Hill and George Armstrong.

Filed a Bill.

Mary C. Mitchell has, by W. A. Johnston, filed a bill against Agnes L. W. Peugh for the appointment of a receiver for the rents of 1217 and 1219 C street southeast since November 1, 1892. Complainant states that a deed, purporting to convey her interests in the property, dated July 14, was recorded, and she filed a bill in equity to declare such deed void, denying that she had ever conveyed her interests, and the court so decreed; that defendant noted an appeal, and offered Julian W. Dean surety on the appeal bond, and she now states that since May 8 last Dean has incumbered his property, and she is, therefore, in danger of being damaged.

Criminal Convictions.

In the Criminal Court yesterday George Washington was convicted of housebreaking, and recommended to the mercy of the court. On the announcement of the verdict, the prisoner was quite overcome, and was taken bodily to the cells.

In the case of Daniel Buchanan, colored, charged with housebreaking, the verdict of not guilty was withdrawn, and he pleaded guilty. A sentence of two and a half years in the Albany county penitentiary was imposed.

Made a Raid.

Policemen O'Brien, Bell and Clark raided the shoe shop of Squire Jackson, colored, on 20th street between K and L streets, Tuesday night and made three arrests. One man got away. Squire Jackson, Charles Cary and a man named Ford were arrested. Cary and Ford were given sixty days each by Judge Miller today, and Jackson demanded a jury trial.

Wanted Bacon.

A fine of $25 or ninety days was imposed by Judge Miller yesterday in the case of Henry Jones, convicted of a charge of stealing a piece of bacon from Emmart's butcher wagon.

Fondness for Harness.

Three cases of harness stealing were tried in the Police Court yesterday. One of the defendants, a colored jockey from New York, named Clifton Brown, attempted to carry off an outfit from the Benning race track, but Policeman John Boland arrested him before he got away. Judge Miller's order in the case will cause the jockey to remain here four months, but he will not have an opportunity to attend the fall races. Henry Jackson was satisfied to take off a pair of reins, the property of C. M. Brandenburg, and the court fined him $10 or thirty days. Douglass Tascoe was accused of having had possession of some pieces of harness belonging to another. He was fined $10 or thirty days.

Democrats at Lakeland.

There was a well-attended meeting of the Prince George's County Democratic Association at Lakeland Hall on Wednesday evening, presided over by Mr. John T. Burch, president. It was decided to attend the meeting on Friday evening, the 27th, at Bladensburg, and also the one at Branchville on Saturday.

Arrangements were completed for a grand mass meeting at Laurel on Monday evening under the auspices of the association. The Academy of Music has been engaged and the Laurel brass band will be in attendance. There will be a number of able speakers present. All members and other Democrats desiring to attend should take the train which leaves Washington at 6:30 p. m.

To the World's Fair via B. and O. R.R.

As but a few days remain in which to see the great world's fair at Chicago, persons who have not seen it are urged to make a trip without delay. For tickets, sleeping car accommodations and full information call at B. and O. ticket offices, Nos. 619 and 1351 Pennsylvania avenue, and at B. and O. depot.—Advt.

Hyacinths and Tulips.

Closing sale of hyacinths and tulips at Dowling & Company's tomorrow at 12 o'clock. Last chance to secure choice bulbs.—Advt.

AMUSEMENTS.

Hyde's Comedians.—The popular and talented organization known as Hyde's Comedians will be the attraction at Kernan's Lyceum next week. This company has been before the public for a long time, but every season many improvements are made, and it is now said to be stronger than ever. In its ranks are embraced some of the best and most talented vaudeville artists on the stage. Among them are Helene Mora, the female baritone; the great jugglers, the Zanetto Troupe; Jessica, in the serpentine dance upon the slack wire; the comedy musical duo, Falke and Semons; the sketch artists, the Allisons; Ray and Sherwood, the black-face comedians; the American Two Macs; the society artists, Joe Haydon and Queen Hetherington; the song and dance artists, Miss Ola Hayden and J. J. Whalen.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers.—Tonight the celebrated Fisk Jubilee Singers will give one of their popular concerts at Metzerott's Hall. The indications point to a large audience, and the program will be unusually attractive.

Musicale and Lecture.—There will be a musicale and lecture at Metzerott's Music Hall on Tuesday evening next in aid of the Eastern Presbyterian Church. The musical program will be under the direction of Dr. J. W. Bischoff, who will be assisted by the Congregational Church quartet, and the lecture will be by Rev. Thos. Chalmers Easton on "Robert Burns."

Boston Symphony Orchestra.—The announcement of the Boston Symphony Orchestra this season is for five concerts in Metzerott's Music Hall on November 6, December 11, January 8, 1894, February 5 and March 26. The soloists will be Mme. Nordica, Mr. Max Hemrich and Mr. Kneisel. Subscription tickets for the course have been fixed at $5 and $7, according to location, and their sale will open at Metzerott's music store next Monday.

Concert at Willard Hall.

Miss Cora Merriam Howes was given a testimonial concert last night at Willard Hall. The attendance was not so large as the entertainment merited. The audience, though appreciative, never reached a pitch of enthusiasm. Miss Howes was heard in several selections, notably a cavatina from Gounod, Seiber's "Alpine Rose," and Arditi's "Daisy." The friends of the singer prophesied a successful future for her. Miss Johnson played Mendelssohn's "Rondo Cappriccioso" in an acceptable manner, and Mr. Charles E. Rice earned plaudits on his rendering of Nessler's "Song of Farewell." Mr. Hubbard T. Smith got an encore, a solo by Mr. W. D. McFarland was affably received, and Mr. R. C. Ballinger contributed a recitation. Mr. Charles G. Woodward was a clever accompanist.

Fire in a Cigar Store.

At 11:20 o'clock last night a fire took place at 922 9th street northwest, in the cigar store of J. H. Gruber, the building being owned by Mr. H. M. Dellinger, and before it was extinguished the stock was damaged $500 and the house $300; fully covered by insurance.

A Chapter of Accidents.

In the excavation for the sewer at the corner of 22d and B streets northwest yesterday an accident occurred, in which Jos. Marks, a colored man, and Filippo Cherego, an Italian, were injured. The large iron bucket used in hoisting and lowering material was descending, when it struck a beam of timber, and this fell on the two men, badly injuring them. They were taken to the Emergency Hospital.

Edward Aldrich, a lineman, employed by the Western Union Company, living on Erie street, Mt. Pleasant, fell from a pole on M between 17th and 18th streets yesterday, and managing to grasp the pole landed feet foremost. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital and his ankle was found sprained, his back injured and hands blistered.

Jos. Bell, a colored boy, was run over by the buggy of T. Emory on the avenue near 2d street northwest last evening, and cut about the head.

Mrs. Maud Stewart of 448 6 1-2 street had her hands badly burned in extinguishing a fire, which was caused by some sparks from the adjoining house falling from the pipe hole.

A Professional Policy Player.

Wellington Lucado is the name of a colored man who is familiar with the mysteries of the game of policy, and for a number of years he has been connected with the various firms. Policeman Sontag arrested him, and when the case was heard in Judge Miller's court today he displayed a knowledge of the game and of those who back it which made it apparent that he was a professional in the business.

Wellington operated in South Washington, where his patrons were mostly colored women. Notwithstanding the efforts of the police to break up the game, Wellington did a lucrative business, and would probably not have been caught had not he failed to pay several hits.

Mary Mitchell, Mary Sanders and Rugerta Wood tried their luck the same day. Several of the players had been dreaming of thieves, so it appeared from their statements, although they did not live in the same neighborhood, and the result was that "10-16-45" appeared on several slips that day. Wellington turned in the slips, but did not return the 100 for 1 which the Jackson City policy snops promised to pay, and for that reason the women complained against him and had him arrested.

The women told Judge Miller of their experience, and the prisoner was given six months in jail.

A Lower Step Needed.

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

A small space in the bright Evening Star I crave in behalf of those who patronize the Brightwood and Chevy Chase electric railroad. Cannot something be done whereby passengers, on entering or alighting from the cars, can do so without running the risk of breaking their limbs? Surely a lower step could be added. Several accidents have occurred of late, unknown to the public, on account of the high step. The writer, for one, has been confined to the house for several weeks from injury received when alighting from one of the dangerous high steppers. The above is the voice of many who enjoy the delightful ride of both routes, but who will have to deny themselves that pleasure if the desired improvement is not made. Prevention is better than cure. F.

Time Made Things Even.

From the Chicago Tribune.

Pale with suppressed emotion, the struggling young village attorney stood before the haughty heiress, hat in hand, and ready to go.

"I could have borne your refusal, Verdigris McSorrell," he said brokenly, "although I had hoped for a more favorable answer. But you have chosen to accompany it with words of scorn. You have accused me of fortune hunting. You have twitted me with my poverty, my insignificance and my lack of worldly knowledge. I have not deserved this. I may have been presumptuous, but I am not the sordid, mercenary, soulless wretch you have pictured me to be. And, mark my words, proud beauty, the day will come when your haughty spirit shall be brought low!"

"What will you do, Mr. Bramble?" scornfully asked the young woman. "Will you sue me for damages? Will you publish some dismal verses about me? Or will you crush me by silent contempt?"

"I bide my time! Heartless one, farewell!"

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Long years passed away. In a crowded courtroom in a large city the famous case of Kersmith vs. Jenones was on trial, involving the possession of millions. Enos A. Bramble, now one of the most noted and successful lawyers in his native state, leaned forward in his chair to cross-examine a witness.

"Your name, madam," he said, "if I understood you rightly, is Mrs. Bimm?"

"Yes, sir," replied the witness.

"Your familiarity with this case grows out of the fact that you have resided all your life in the neighborhood of the property in dispute? Is that correct?"

"Yes, sir."

"It will be necessary, then, to ask you—but, first, how long have you been married?"

"I—I was married several years ago. I am a widow."

"How long have you been a widow?"

"Oh—several years."

"What was your maiden name?"

"McSorrell."

"Full name, please?"

"Verdigris McSorrell."

"Thank you. In order to ascertain all the facts pertaining to this controversy it will be necessary to ask you one more question. Now, then, Mrs. Verdigris McSorrell Bimm!" thundered Lawyer Enos A. Bramble, rising to his feet, "please tell the jury your age?"

THE METROPOLITAN CHURCH.

Making Plans to Celebrate Its 25th Anniversary.

The twenty-second annual meeting and election of officers of the Ladies' Association of the Metropolitan M. E. Church was held yesterday in the lecture room of the church. A summary of the work accomplished by the society last year was given in the annual reports, and plans for the work for the ensuing year generally discussed. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. M. Tullock; first vice president, Mrs. Johnston; second vice president, Mrs. A. D. Lynch; third vice president, Mrs. A. B. Duvall; fourth vice president, Mrs. C. Burlew; fifth vice president, Miss E. McKelden; secretary, Mrs. M. E. Edwards; assistant secretary, Miss H. L. Duvall; treasurer, Mrs. Fred. Tasker; assistant treasurer, Mrs. J. C. Tasker.

Upon invitation from the president, Rev. Dr. Hugh Johnson, pastor, addressed the society, congratulating them upon their prompt organization, efficient officers and encouraging reports, and asked their continued co-operation in the social, financial and spiritual work of the church. He also disclosed a plan to hold a commemorative service Easter Sunday, which will be the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the church. Bishop Newman, who was the first pastor of the church, will arrange, if possible, to be present on the occasion, and it is designed to have as many of the original trustees, members and Sunday school scholars as can be brought together participate in the exercises, and also the original choir and first organist.

Real Estate Matters.

Maria P. Barstow has purchased for $16,540 of W. Haines lot 3, square 107, 40 feet front on K between 18 th and 19th streets northwest.

Mary F. Orme has bought of W. Mayse for $9,000 sub J, square 142, 20 feet 2 inches by 71 feet 6 inches on 19th between F and G streets northwest.

T. H. Williams has purchased for $7,500 of John Savery part 1, 18 by 39 feet on M between 21st and 22d streets northwest.

The trustees of the Washington Seventh Day Advent Church have purchased of Thomas R. Brooks for $6,210 subs 36 to 38, square 891, 60 by 115 feet on 8th between F and G streets northeast.

Hugh B. Reed has bought for $9,600 of J. N. Piddock et al. lot 65, block 5 (1825 Larch street), and lot 66, do., Le Droit Park, and sub 76, square 178, 2,200 on 16th between R and S streets northwest.

A Fire Drill for the Schools.

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

Is it not time that an emergency fire drill should become part of our public school training? The so-called fire drill, consisting of having the pupils march out of their rooms by the tap of a bell when the hour of dismissal has arrived, has proved itself of very little value twice within the week. The children of the city have the Ford Theater disaster more vividly in mind than is realized by the older people, perhaps, and are ripe for panic at the slightest alarm. It is useless to blame the teachers for lack of ability to control the children under their care at such times, unless they are given an opportunity of training them to "stand fire" in times of alarm. Let the teachers in each building make it a part of their work to not only impress upon the children the precepts of self-control and orderly movement in times of danger, but to give them the practical training of marching out of the building at unexpected alarms. Who can doubt that the panics of the 19th and of the 24th would not have found the teachers helpless if care had been taken to train (not tell) the children to look to them for prompt directions in cases of sudden alarm. False alarms are part of the training of all who expect to deal with emergencies. Why not take the double lesson of this week as a warning and not wait for the fatality which may come with the next rush? AN EX-PUPIL.

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About 300 negroes met at Macon, Ga., yesterday and organized the Afro-American Association of Georgia, pledged to use every means in their power to put down those crimes among the negroes that have given rise to lynchings.

At Mitchell, Tex., last night Andy Pippin and C. R. Green, enraged at being discharged, assaulted J. H. Porter, general superintendent of the Tyler Lumber Company. He will die. His assailants have been jailed.

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