

LOCAL MENTION.

THE WEATHER. Forecast till 8 p.m. Wednesday. For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, strong easterly winds, followed by fair, northeasterly winds.

THE WEATHER. Today—High tide, 9:14 a.m. Low tide, 3:12 p.m. and 5:13 p.m.; high tide, 10:42 a.m. and 11 p.m.

IT'S EASY TO SAVE MONEY. And lots of trouble when you give a dinner or banquet. See Mr. Freund, 515 10th st. He'll personally arrange a splendid menu and service at your own price.

WELL PAPER YOUR ROOMS. In combinations, 22 up. Finest. F. H. NOLAN, 510 9th st. (corner 9th 11th).

Miss McNay of New York is at the Arlington Hotel, 11th and M. She is selling imported gowns and fancy waists at greatly reduced prices.

Artificial Eyes. Hemper's, 6th & Pa. ave. Hats—worthy of the name—twice worthy of the price. HENRY FRANC & SON, cor. 7th and D.

CITY AND DISTRICT.

AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT. Grand Opera House.—Mr. Chauncey Olcott, in "The Irish Artist."

New National Theater.—"The Girl I Left Behind Me." Academy of Music.—Lecture by Mr. John L. Stoddard on "Paris."

Butler's Bijou Theater.—Hi. Henry's Minstrels. Kerman's Lyceum Theater.—Rose Hill Folly Company.

Columbia Phonograph Company, 919 Pennsylvania avenue northwest.—Exhibition of the Kinetophone.

New Masonic Temple and its Artistic Features. The fair proper comprises the greater portion of the new building. On the second floor are the Masonic parlors, and there are a number of smaller rooms where refreshments are served.

Church of Our Father, corner 13th and D. streets, northwest.—Lecture by Rev. M. W. Hamma on "Through Denmark and Sweden—Under the Midnight Sun."

Church of the Covenant, chapel—Valentine Ave., given by the Covenant League of King's Daughters.

A Limited Edition. No copies of The Star's Almanac and Handbook obtainable after the present edition is exhausted. Copies on sale at The Star office, all news stands, or sent by mail.

The Company Won. In the case of John W. Warner, administrator of the late Joseph W. Collis, who was killed two years ago on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, awarded the company a verdict in favor of the company. Collis was killed near the Brookland station, and \$10,000 damages were claimed.

Old Folks' Concert at Gorsuch. The Old Folks' concert which was to have been held at Gorsuch M. E. Church last Tuesday, but which was postponed on account of the weather, will take place tomorrow evening.

The Bill Dismissed. Judge Ingber has dismissed the suit instituted several months ago by the Washington Homeopathic Society against the National Homeopathic Medical College, to restrain the establishment of the college and to prevent it from conferring diplomas.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Anti-Saloon League held yesterday afternoon Mr. W. H. Pennington announced his acceptance of the membership of the committee on mass meeting. The list of chairmen is now completed. Owing to the session of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, to be held on Sunday next, the league will not arrange for a meeting on that day, but will hold its next meeting on the following Sunday. The meetings are held at intervals during the year.

An effort has been made to secure the attendance of Dr. Parkhurst at one of these meetings, but the noted reformer, in a recent communication to the treasurer of the league, stated that his health and engagements will not permit him to leave New York for many months to come. If he does visit Washington, however, it is evident that the league shall have first claim upon him.

Art for the People. The lecture by Mr. Wm. Ordway Partridge, which was delivered yesterday afternoon at the Columbian University, was listened to by a large audience of the sculptor's friends, local artists and students. His subject, "Art for the People," was handled in a comprehensive manner, particularly with regard to the necessity of common school education. In connection with this, Mr. Partridge said that he wished the people to have an appreciation of the fine arts we must begin with the children in the public schools. A few years ago the study of art was a privilege which few could afford to undertake. Now there is scarcely a public school in the land where some order of art training is not given to the pupils, and in many instances, in a limited number of schools, principally in New England, excellent photographs of the masterpieces of great artists are hung upon the walls, so that the children may grow to love to look at beautiful things.

"We must also convince the people," he said, "that art is not a luxury for the idle and rich alone, but that it is an intensely practical thing, something that is fastening its feet on the ground, and that we greatly bring artistic training and taste to the common product of the earth, which enhances its value many times."

Presbyterian Ministers' Meeting. At a meeting of the Presbyterian Ministers' Association of the Church of the Association was instructed to write Gov. O'Ferrall of Virginia and Judge Chesler of Alexandria, asking them to aid in the suppression of horse racing at the race courses in Virginia. An interesting account of the Chinese-Japanese war was given by Rev. Frederick J. Stanley, a professor in a college in Tokyo, Japan.

Increase of Degradation. A lecture, intended to be introductory to an advanced course of scientific sociology, was delivered last evening before the students of Columbian University by Dr. Arthur Macdonald of the bureau of education. Charities, crimes and other forms of abnormality was the theme, and the lecturer quoted statistics which showed a decrease of experts, which assembled at Buda Pesth last September, to the effect that the increase of moral and physical degeneration among young men is evident. This opinion was founded on the observations of those who made the physical examinations year after year for the standing armies of the countries of the old world. Dr. Macdonald did not think this conclusion warranted the belief that the world was constantly growing worse, but that it has been growing worse for the last five years. The lecturer gave an exhibition of recent instruments for the quantitative measurement of the emotions.

At All News Stands. If not convenient to call at the office you can obtain a copy of The Star's Almanac and Handbook of any news stand.

Hi of Best. We are not going to get left in the shuffle on account of the new post office. We are the largest wholesale dealers in butter and eggs south of New York. James F. Oyster, 900 Pa. ave.—Adv't.

FITTINGLY OPENED.

Naval Lodge a Scene of Beauty Last Night.

New Masonic Temple and its Artistic Features. Fair—Commissioner Ross Makes an Address.

A triumphant epoch in the history of Masonry in this city was made last evening when the new Masonic Temple which at the same time the new Masonic Temple which has been erected by Naval Lodge, No. 4, E. A. M., at the corner of 4th street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast. The building of the structure was begun in July last, and it was completed but a few weeks ago. For the purpose of properly furnishing the new home, and also for diminishing a debt incurred in the erection, the members of Naval Lodge decided that the public should first view the inside of the temple when a fair should be in progress and the place gaily decorated. Wives, daughters, sisters, aunts, mothers, cousins, sweethearts and female friends were called upon to aid the project, and although the weather was not ideal, they proved strong in their aid.

The result was the opening last evening of a fair on such an elaborate scale as has seldom been witnessed in the Capitol. The fair proper comprises the greater portion of the new building. On the second floor are the Masonic parlors, and there are a number of smaller rooms where refreshments are served. A shooting gallery has been fitted up, and various other attractions are presented. On the fourth floor is a large hall, also fitted with booths, but with a floor space free for dancing. There are also a number of smaller rooms, and a billiard table which might be termed side shows.

The entire building was literally packed before 8 o'clock last evening with guests, the ladies in their gowns, charmingly gowned, many of whom were escorted by young men with fat purses, and those are the kind of things that are to be seen. A stillness became apparent when a party, comprising Commissioner Ross, D. G. Dixon, grand master; George W. Baird, senior grand warden; Samuel C. Palmer, junior grand warden; C. B. Smith, chaplain; Harry Standford, junior deacon, and George J. Walker, past grand high priest, mounted the speaker's gallery. The chairman of the entertainment committee, Geo. C. Ober, announced to the audience that he had a great pleasure in seeing so many possible victims present, and he added that he would like to tell what the lodge wanted to do with them, but it was his duty to introduce Grand Master Dixon, and that only.

The grand master remarked that he was surprised to see so many of the present when he stated that Naval Lodge deserved the utmost credit for erecting such a home, which was a credit to themselves and to the city. He congratulated the lodge on the presence and help of the ladies, and the grand master, George J. Walker, past grand high priest, mounted the speaker's gallery. The chairman of the entertainment committee, Geo. C. Ober, announced to the audience that he had a great pleasure in seeing so many possible victims present, and he added that he would like to tell what the lodge wanted to do with them, but it was his duty to introduce Grand Master Dixon, and that only.

Commissioner Ross was then introduced and was greeted with applause. He took great pleasure, he said, in being present. When the corner stone of the building was laid the speaker was away from the city, which fact he regretted deeply, but his desire to be present on that occasion, he said, led him to be present. He was astounded at what Naval Lodge has accomplished. The erection of the temple was begun in July last, and the building was practically suspended, but in spite of all obstacles success had been attained. He wished the example would be followed by other lodges, and he wished that they could build individually to unite and erect a temple worthy of the District of Columbia. It was arranged that the fair should continue until the lodge would set the other lodges thinking.

"As a Commissioner, I represent the whole city," continued the speaker, "and I am proud to have been able to accomplish, however, in East Washington. You have the Capitol building, the new library building, and soon, I think, will be the new building for the United States, and before many years, in my opinion, this old avenue will be lined with fine structures. I congratulate you on the assistance of these 'fair' ladies, and I sincerely trust that the fair itself will be a complete success."

Grand Master Dixon then touched an imaginary button, and the machinery of the fair was in motion.

Some Features. The upper hall is fitted up, to accord with the architecture of the room in the Egyptian style. The walls and banners of every hue cover the walls, and the booths, without exception, are things of beauty. Almas Temple of the Mystic Shrine conducts a fair from quiet paddle stand, where sacks of flour, market baskets, feather fans and, in fact, almost everything imaginable, from a ton of coal to a brick house, may be bought by the holder of a lucky paddle. The main room on the lower floor is decorated in the Indo-Grecian style, and the attention is attracted throughout the evening, while the special attraction in the upper hall was fancy dancing by Mr. Percy Leece in women's attire. The room of the side rooms is administered for a small fee what is termed "the thirty-fourth degree of the New York rite of the order of high priests, and the high priests of this unique initiation is an individual disguised by a most startling costume of skulls, bones, wings and other horrible conceptions. The high priest, with his other usual fixtures of a fair room. At 10 o'clock general dancing was commenced, and the fair continued until midnight, when it proved an unqualified success.

Snow in the Streets. To the Editor of The Evening Star: May I ask the question through your columns, if it is possible to any more than simply the justice to ask of the street car railroad companies and the Commissioners of the District to clear away at least a foot of snow from the streets opposite each stopping place for the cars that ladies and passengers generally are obliged to wait for the cars without wading an unusual depth through the slush and snow? We poor mortals are compelled to know a privilege to go to the office and to the sidewalks in front of our houses within a few hours after the snow falls. W. G. McDOWELL.

The "Wimodan Academy of Forty" was organized last evening, and the first three sections of a constitution were adopted. These give the society its name, and state its object as "the cultivation of the art of refined and ennobling conversation." The officers named are: magister, vice magister, scribe, correspondent, reporter, director and board of censors. The election of members and the collection of applications for membership were deferred until the next session. Mrs. Havens was made temporary chairman, and Miss Mary Williams temporary secretary. The committee elected to complete the constitution is composed of Miss Katherine Garst, Miss Williams and Mrs. Havens. Among those present were: Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery, Miss Nicolai Shaw, Mrs. Henrietta Banker, etc. Letters were received by aspirants for membership, who could not be present last evening.

On a Grand Crossing. Mr. E. J. McGreery, the Hillside florist, attempted to pass with his carriage in front of a large freight engine attached to two box cars at Virginia avenue and 4 1/2 street, about 5:30 o'clock last evening. The driver of the vehicle whipped up his horse as soon as he saw the danger, but not in time to prevent the engine from striking the rear part of the carriage. The carriage was thrown from the track, but Mr. McGreery was not injured.

Rhya Davy's second lecture, "Essence of Buddhism," postponed from Saturday last, will be given in All Souls' Church Thursday, February 14, at 4:30 p.m. Admission, 50 cents.—Adv't.

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The Grand Opera House.—Chauncey Olcott, in "The Irish Artist," was the attraction at the Grand Opera House last night.

A Young Maryland Farmer Captured by the Officers. John Hoopengardner, a young farmer residing near Hancock, Md., on the C. and O. canal, who for some time has been suspected of counterfeiting, was on Sunday night "swooped" down upon while at his home by United States Agent Griffith of Pittsburg and Detective Fisher of Hagerstown. They knocked at the Hoopengardner farm house and the boy's mother answered. While they were playing the old lady with questions they heard a noise at the upper window. Suspecting that their presence had been discovered and their business, too, and that the man wanted was in the house, they escaped, they rushed around to the back of the house. There they saw the man just rushing off in the darkness with only his night clothes on. He was yelled at to stop, but he went on, in spite of bare feet, linen clothes, snow and freezing cold. A ball went from one of the officers' pistols, striking the man, but no attention was paid to their commands. It struck the fleeing fellow on the calf of the leg, but he went on. After an exciting chase he eluded the officers.

Later he returned to his home and was caught. A search of the house and outbuildings disclosed in the smoke house a plaster-of-paris mold for making nickels.

It is said the prisoner has flooded his section with the bogus nickels made.

Right of Way Through the White House Grounds. To the Editor of The Evening Star: Will you allow me space in your columns to state a grievance which many people are enduring and have endured for some time? In all former administrations, republican and democratic alike, the right of passage across the grounds of the Presidential mansion has been freely accorded. The gates through the lower portion of the grounds have never been closed against the public until a year or so ago. In the morning, from 8 o'clock until 9, they are open, to permit the government clerks to pass through, but at 9 o'clock, when the need is equally great, they are hermetically sealed. This causes many a clerk, tired from his office, and with a headache, to make a detour in order to reach home. This morning the gates were open, between 8 and 9, but the walk from the gates to the treasury to those near the Department of the way, and one was compelled to wade ankle-deep in snow. Why should the rights of the clerks be so curtailed? The White House is not a private residence, nor are the grounds private property. Free access is had over other government grounds, why not here? No one asks to be waded about in the snow, but why should the right of passage be so curtailed? It is a personal inconvenience, extra journeying and loss of time which should be put to a DEPARTMENT CLERK.

Valuable unimproved and improved property, fronting 34th and 35th streets, north of U street, Georgetown, will be sold at trustees' sale tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

Dentistry has been revolutionized by the Association of modern methods of expert operators, each working at the time he can do best, every appliance to the time and pain; a large business at a small price—this explains our prices: \$1.00; fillings, 75c. up; gold crowns, \$7.50; best teeth, \$8. Consultation costs nothing. JACOBI.

Kerman's Lyceum Theater.—No vaudeville company is more popular in this city than the Kerman Lyceum Theater, which began its first engagement of the season at Kerman's last night. The house was packed to the doors, and the different attractions were incessant. Miss Clara Lawrence, the cornetist, was far above the average and was enthusiastically received. The excellent black-face team, Crawford and Manning, had to answer to three encores. The Washburn Sisters gave a striking interpretation of the Boverly girls. The musical team, Morton and Eckloff, played finely, and their comedy work was greatly enjoyed. Mr. Frank Emerson, singing in the piano, solo, and proved to be a feature of the show. Then came the burlesque, "The Fakir's Daughter," with its pretty girls, catchy songs and dances, and wit sayings, the troupe entering into their work with energy.

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