LOCAL MENTION.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast Till 8 p.m. Thursday.

For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, fair; warmer Thursday afternoon; westerly winds, becoming southerly.

Condition of the Water.

Temperature and condition of water at 8 a.m.: Great Falls, temperature, 32; condition, 36; receiving reservoir, temperature, 34; condition at north connection, 36; condition at south connection, 36; distributing reservoir, temperature, 34; condition at influent gate house, 36; effluent gate house, 36.

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It's always aerated. Received from our farms one hour after milked. Physicians recommend its use because it's pure and fresh. 8c. qt. J. S. Thompson, 511 4½ st. s.w.

FINEST ELGIN CREAMERY BUTTER. Strictly fresh Leghorn eggs, at consistent prices. H. B. BENJAMIN, 325 Center Mkt.

ALL 40 and 60c. CANDIES, 25c. LB.—Including Jordan almonds. Always pure and fresh. Most delicious and toothsome. Try "Brownie" chocolate peppermints, 5c. box. J. F. SHEETZ, 7th and I. (No branch.)

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Our best candies are only 25 CENTS A POUND during our great candy sale. Take advantage of it.
SHEETZ, CANDIES, 10TH AND F STS.

Mr. Prince desires to inform his patrons and the public that his studio will be open February 22 during the usual hours.
PRINCE, Fotografer, Pa. ave. and 11th st.

CITY AND DISTRICT.

AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT.

Grand Opera House.—Fairy Spectacular Ballet, "Cinderella."

New National Theater.—Mr. John Drew in "Butterflies."

Academy of Music.—Lecture by Mr. John L. Stoddard on "Norway."

Butler's Bijou Theater.—Hoyt's "A Bunch of Keys."

Kernan's Lyceum Theater.—The New York Vaudeville Stars.

Columbia Phonograph Company, 919 Pennsylvania avenue northwest.—Exhibition of the Kineto-Graphophone.

New Masonic Temple, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 4th street southeast.—Masonic fair and bazaar, under the auspices of Naval Lodge, No. 4.

Immaculate Conception Hall, N street northwest between 7th and 8th.—Concert by the choir of the Immaculate Conception Church.

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.

Masonic Veterans Banquet.

The Washington Masonic Veterans' Association has completed arrangements for the annual banquet, which will be held in the music hall of Masonic Temple on Friday evening, February 22. Senator Palmer of Illinois, Senator Perkins of California, Representative Caruth of Kentucky, Representative Richardson of Tennessee, Rev. Mr. Ennis of this city and other prominent speakers are expected to be present.

Not Held Responsible.

In the case of the United States against Robert Boyd and Wm. H. Slater the jury, at the direction of Judge Bradley, has returned a verdict in favor of the defendants. The defendants, with others, were in 1869 bondsmen of Wm. F. Collins, a pension agent, in the amount of $100,000. There was an alleged shortage in his accounts of $49,000, and in 1872 suit was instituted against the bondsmen to recover that amount. The defendants denied the signature of Mr. Boyd, and alleged other irregularities in the bond.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses have been granted to the following: Charles H. Webster and Emma J. Olive; John Flowers and Mary Turner; Ross McMullen and Mary Cowhig; John Riley and Julia Sullivan; James Devine and Florence Cole; Andrew M. Green and Gertrude D. Drummond, both of Anacostia, D. C.; Harry A. Drake of this city and Fannie F. Schaffer of Hagerstown, Md.; Patrick R. Hilliard and Annie M. McGrann; Wm. H. Welsh of this city and Carrie Young of Halifax, Va.

Emancipation Celebration.

The emancipation divisional changes set forth in the general order issued by President James W. Poe create a new office of superintendent. The District has been divided into six divisions, and the president of the day has appointed the following divisional superintendents: Northwest division, Lloyd H. Brown; southwest division, R. H. Lewis; northeast division, T. H. Gibson; southeast division, E. N. Johnson; West End division, James L. Turner; Anacostia division, Milton Goodlow. The superintendents will, when instructed by the president of the association, call a meeting of their respective divisions to elect a chief marshal and secretary of such divisions for the day.

Wills Filed.

By the provisions of the will of the late Mary Ann McKenney her household furniture is left to her daughter, Annie McKenney, or Annie Kennie, and the executor, Thos. J. Sothoron, is directed to distribute the proceeds of the sale of her property, 1131 18th street, among relatives.

George T. Waters of Montgomery county, Md., is made her executor by the will of the late Caroline M. Caswell, and the household furniture is divided among A. A. Kennedy, a sister, and two daughters, and a number of small bequests are made to relatives.

Death of Mrs. Holtman.

Mrs. Catharine Holtman died at her residence, No. 427 7th street southwest, at 2 o'clock this morning. Mr. Holtman had lived in this city thirty-five years, and had been engaged in the shoe business on Pennsylvania avenue almost continuously since 1876, at which time she succeeded her late husband, George Holtman. Her death will be a surprise and shock to a large circle of friends and acquaintances. Mrs. Holtman leaves two sons and two daughters.

The Cadets to Parade.

The High School Cadets of the colored High School will parade on Washington's birthday. They will leave the school building at 2 o'clock and march down 3d street northwest to Pennsylvania avenue, up the avenue to 17th street northwest, thence up 17th street to K street, and along K street to New York avenue, and along New York avenue back to the school.

At All News Stands.

The Evening Star's Almanac and Handbook is on sale at all news stands. 25c.

$1.25 Holiday Excursion to Baltimore via B. and O. R. R. $1.25
Friday, February 22, valid for return passage until Saturday inclusive. Express trains leave B. and O. depot, Washington, for Baltimore, at 4:20, 7:10, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 2:20, 3:00, 4:28, 5:00, 5:05, 5:30, 6:20, 8:00 and 11:30 p.m.—Advt.

Trustees' sale of a two-story frame dwelling on Rock Creek Church road between Whitney avenue and Spring road will take place tomorrow at 4:30 o'clock p.m. See advertisement.—Advt.

We Don't Keep Relics and Curiosities.
Five-lb. boxes finest creamery butter at $1.60, fresh every day. James F. Oyster, 900 Pennsylvania avenue.—Advt.

Mardi Gras, Mobile and New Orleans via B. and O. R. R.

For the above occasion the Baltimore and Ohio railroad will sell round-trip tickets February 22 to 25 from Washington, D. C., to Mobile, Ala., at $25.50 and to New Orleans for $27.50, tickets valid for return passage fifteen days from date of sale, giving passengers choice of either Shenandoah valley route or via Cincinnati.

THE NATIONAL GUARD

Orders Issued for Removal to the New Armory.

DRILL AND RIFLE PRACTICE

Some Dissatisfaction Expressed at an Assignment to Quarters.

TO BE OPEN ON SUNDAYS

General orders No. 2 have been prepared, and will be issued from headquarters of the District of Columbia National Guard today. They provide for the long-delayed removal to the new armory, the assignments for the use of Convention Hall for drills, and a schedule for practice in the rifle gallery during March, April and May, and therefore are of more than ordinary interest to the brigade in general.

According to the orders, the brigade, except the first and first separate battalions, having been assigned quarters in the new armory, located on L street between 4th and 5th streets northwest, will take possession of the same with the least practicable delay under the supervision and direction of the quartermaster general.

The drill hall is to be used as stated below:

Second battalion, second and fourth Mondays of each month.

Third battalion, second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

Fourth battalion, second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

Fifth battalion, first and third Mondays of each month.

Sixth battalion, first and third Tuesdays of each month.

Engineer Corps, battery A, first separate company, second separate company, third separate company and Ambulance Corps, first and third Saturdays of each month.

The nights assigned may be designated for company, battalion or regimental drills under such combinations and arrangements as battalion commanders may deem best for their respective commands, or as may be prescribed by regimental commanders.

On Thursday and Friday nights of each week the rifle gallery will be open for general use as a squad drill room.

Small arms practice for the current year will be conducted under the regulations prescribed by general orders No. 34, series of 1889, and paragraphs 5 and 6; general orders No. 3, series of 1894.

During March, April and May the prescribed practice in the gallery will be completed, the battalions shooting according to the following schedule:

The first battalion will practice in the gallery at its armory, under a schedule to be prepared by the battalion commander.

Second battalion, first and third Mondays of each month.

Third battalion, first and third Saturdays of each month.

Fourth battalion, first and third Tuesdays of each month.

Fifth battalion, second and fourth Mondays of each month.

Sixth battalion, second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

First separate battalion, first and third Wednesdays of each month.

Engineer corps, battery A, first separate company and second separate company, second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

The general staff, the field and staff officers and non-commissioned staff of regiments and battalion inspectors of rifle practice, the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Volley firing will follow the individual practice, three volleys being fired by each company, kneeling. A proper record of the results, to be entered in the company target record book, will be certified by the inspector of rifle practice.

Companies will be reported at the rifle gallery promptly at 8 o'clock p.m., in undress uniform, armed and equipped.

The rifle gallery will be open every day, except Sunday, from 4 to 6 o'clock p.m. for voluntary practice. Ammunition will be furnished on the payment of one cent for each round. An inspector of rifle practice will be in attendance, and, on request, will certify scores to the captains of companies, to be credited as part of the required practice.

Voluntary practice in the gallery will begin immediately, although the regular season does not open until March 1.

Open on Sundays.

As stated in the foregoing, the brigade will take possession of the new armory with the least practicable delay, under the supervision and direction of the quartermaster general. A few days, however, must necessarily elapse before moving in, as the floors are now being stained. Capt. Walsh, the superintendent of the building, will transfer his quarters tomorrow; the fourth battalion Saturday morning; the third battalion Saturday afternoon; the fifth battalion Tuesday next, and the remaining troops as early as possible in the coming week.

It has been practically decided that the armory will be open on Sundays, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., but this arrangement does not meet with favor. An effort, it is understood, is to be made to change the hours from those named to 1 p.m. until 8 p.m. The armory will be closed daily until 4 p.m. At 11 p.m. a signal for closing is to be given, and the doors will be locked and the night watchman placed in charge at 11:30 p.m. Commissioned officers will have access to the quarters of their commands at all times, as will enlisted men armed with a written order from a commissioned officer.

The present quarters of the various companies are in a dismantled condition. Carpets are up, pictures are down, government property is piled in heaps about the rooms, and there is not a company in the brigade which could not move out on ten minutes' notice. There is an intense desire to get into the new structure, in order that things may become settled and drills and other work resumed.

Dissatisfaction Expressed.

Some dissatisfaction has already been expressed over the assignment to quarters. Maj. Suess is making vigorous objection to having his headquarters located in a wing and not in the front of the building. It is said that Col. Clay last evening stated that he would order a change to overcome this objection by transferring two companies of the fourth battalion to a lower floor. Should Col. Clay make this order, at least one commissioned officer of the fourth will, according to his publicly expressed statements, immediately tender his resignation.

The assignments for the use of the drill hall were made on the choice of the battalion commanders, each choosing, according to seniority, the nights he desired. The hall is allotted to the guard only on Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays. Even on those evenings it may be rented to outside parties, but in that case, a certain percentage of the proceeds will be turned over to the brigade.

Second Regiment Drill.

The second regiment will assemble on Washington's birthday, Friday next, at 1 p.m., in the Center Market drill hall. The regiment will be headed by the National Guard Drum Corps and is to proceed by way of Massachusetts avenue to the vicinity of Dupont Circle, thence along New Hampshire avenue to Washington Circle. All along this route the troops will be constantly maneuvered. The regiment will parade from Washington Circle down Pennsylvania avenue to the Center Market Armory and there be dismissed.

Notes.

Company C, second battalion, at a meeting held last evening, elected fifteen new members, and there are now fifteen applications awaiting action. "The Greater Fencibles" is fast taking shape, the membership at this time having passed the hundred mark.

Having packed its uniforms, preparatory to moving to the new armory, the third separate company, until recently company A, fifth battalion, will be unable to participate in the parade under Col. Moore on Washington's birthday, as announced.

Company C, first battalion, has issued invitations for an informal hop to be held in the armory of the Washington Light Infantry Corps Tuesday evening, February 26.

Maj. Burton R. Ross is authority for the statement that the first battalion will parade on Friday with four companies, each of twenty files, double rank.

A meeting of the inspectors of rifle practice will be held Monday evening next in the new armory.

AMUSEMENTS.

Grand Opera House.—The season of Italian opera, which will commence at the Grand Opera House tomorrow night, promises to be the most notable in recent years. Never since the season when Patti, Sembrich and Scalchi were in one organization has there been so many first-class singers in a single company as will be heard in the operas to be given this week. The sale of seats has been unprecedentedly large, and a crowded house is assured at every performance. Tomorrow night Wagner's "Lohengrin" will open the season, with Mme. Nordica, Mme. Mantelli, Sig. Ancona, M. Plancon, Sig. Abramoff and M. Jean de Reszke in the cast. On Friday Verdi's opera, "Otello," will be given for the first time in Washington, presenting Mme. Emma Eames, Mme. Mantelli, Sig. Tamagno, Sig. Mariani, M. Mauguiere, Sig. Rinaldini, Sig. de Vaschetti, Sig. Viviani and M. Maurel. At the Saturday matinee Gounod's tuneful and ever-popular "Faust" will be the work, introducing Mme. Melba, Mlle. Bauermeister, Mme. Scalchi, M. Edouard de Reszke, Sig. Ancona, Sig. Viviani and M. Jean de Reszke, and on Saturday night Massenet's "Manon" will be produced here for the first time, in which Mlle. Sibyl Sanderson will be the chief attraction, supported by Mlle. de Vigne, Mlle. Bauermeister, Mme. Van Cauteren, Sig. Bensande, M. Plancon, Sig. Carbone, Sig. Gromzeski and M. Mauguiere

"Cinderella."—The fairy spectacular ballet, "Cinderella," presented at the Grand Opera House this afternoon so successfully, will be repeated tonight. The children have been carefully rehearsed and perform their various parts with skill and grace, reflecting great credit on their instructor, Prof. George T. Sheldon, under whose personal supervision the production is given. The scenery and stage appointments are of the most elaborate character, the costumes are rich and appropriate and the real ponies, the magic fountain and the golden chariot delight all who behold the spectacle. The large number of children taking part make the performance wonderfully effective, and the principals all sustain their roles with intelligence.

The Stoddard Lectures.—The usual large audience assembled at the Academy of Music last night to listen to Mr. John L. Stoddard's lecture on "Norway." The different lectures of Mr. Stoddard have their admirers, but last night the universal opinion seemed to be that "Norway" is one of his best. Mr. Stoddard's journey from Christiania to the North Cape was full of interest, and the scene thrown on the canvas could hardly be surpassed by nature itself. Illustrations were given of the various points of interest across the country and the means of conveyance along the roads winding around the gorges, and of the solemn mountain scenery equaling that of Switzerland. The most realistic view of the evening was undoubtedly that showing the midnight sun slowly sinking below the horizon, and then, before disappearing, starting on its upward course marking the end of yesterday and the beginning of today. The same lecture will be repeated tonight for the last time during Mr. Stoddard's present season.

Royal Arcanum Rally.—The meeting of Kismet Council, No. 1586, tonight in the hall over the Capital National Bank, 316 Pennsylvania avenue southeast, will undoubtedly bring out all members of the Royal Arcanum. Chas. E. Cornelius, grand orator of Pennsylvania; Thad. M. Mahon of Pennsylvania, Frederick A. Woodward of North Carolina and other prominent members of the order will be present and address the meeting.

Immaculate Conception Choir.—There will be a concert tonight by the choir of Immaculate Conception Church, under the direction of Mrs. Clara Baker Smith. The event will take place in Immaculate Conception Hall, on N street between 7th and 8th streets northwest, and the program is one which will appeal to all lovers of music. This choir, under Mrs. Smith's direction, has already attained a high degree of excellence, and it will sing several choruses which will show its good work. It will be assisted by members of the Georgetown Orchestra, Prof. H. C. Rakemann, violinist; Miss Mae Whitesell, soprano; Mr. Perry B. Turpin, tenor; Prof. Arthur D. Mayo, pianist, and others. These are all well known in this community and their ability is fully recognized. There should be a crowded house.

Masonic Temple.—Tomorrow night there will be a musical and dramatic entertainment at Masonic Temple, the chief attraction being the presentation of the musical comedy "Loan of a Lover," in which some of the most experienced amateurs will participate. At the conclusion of the program there will be dancing.

"The Police Patrol."—A few years since a Chicago millionaire was found dead in the hallway of his residence on Washington boulevard, having been murdered, it was presumed, by burglars. For weeks the police were at sea, when finally the crime was traced to the door of W. B. Tascott. A reward of $50,000 was at once offered for his arrest and conviction. Tascott, however, eluded the police, and his whereabouts is still a mystery. There was something singular about the case that suggested to Scott Marble a foundation for a play. "The Police Patrol" is the result. Mr. A. Y. Pearson of New York suggested the title and the introduction of the patrol wagon, and this led to another feature of realism, until the author had perfected a strong play upon actual conditions of life practically illustrated. "The Police Patrol" is booked here and will no doubt crowd Butler's Bijou Theater next week, if only to see how Tascott really looked and acted.

"Hyde's Comedians."—Music and mirth follow melody and merriment in quick succession at Kernan's Lyceum Theater, the stage of which will be occupied next week, commencing Monday, February 25, by the finest of first-class vaudeville organizations, "Hyde's Comedians," with the vocally gifted "female baritone," Helene Mora, as the stellar attraction. Plenty of vim and dash will be infused into the program by Johnnie and Emma Ray, a couple of comically queer characters from California; Binns and Binns, who in addition to their own repartee, make their musical instruments speak; Francesca Redding and Hugh Stanton, erstwhile dramatic stars, who are now proving their refined comedy powers on the vaudeville stage; Thorne and Carlton, a graceful couple of humorists; Forbes and Quinn, a versatile pair of dancers and trick instrumentalists; Haswell and Keeler, nimble displayers of the poetry of motion; the Electric Quartet, in a novel act, and a concluding absurdity, entitled "Mistaken Identity," in which the entire company will be seen.

Pennsylvania Railroad—Washington to Baltimore and Return.

The Pennsylvania railroad will sell excursion tickets Washington to Baltimore and return, February 23 and 24, at rate of $1.25 for the round trip, good on all trains Saturday and Sunday and for return passage until following Monday.

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An Opinion Adverse to Claims for Property Destroyed.

The attorney for the District today rendered an opinion to the Commissioners regarding the claims of Messrs. George L. Anderson and Charles E. Williams, for $74.15 and $68.50, respectively, being the values given by them of their wearing apparel, etc., alleged to have been destroyed, by direction of the health department, to prevent the spread of smallpox.

The health regulations in regard to smallpox provide, among other things, that the inspector detailed to attend to the removal of smallpox patients shall fumigate and disinfect the dwellings where smallpox cases occur, and he shall see that the clothing is properly disinfected, packed up, carried safely to the almshouse and destroyed, and that he shall keep an account of the clothes or furniture, which has been destroyed, the probable value of the same, and the names of the parties to whom they belong, and give a receipt for the same.

The law does not provide for payment under any circumstances, but only for an inventory of "the clothes or furniture of poor persons which has been destroyed." The destruction by the health office of the furniture and wearing apparel of these claimants was for the benefit of the public, in order to prevent the spread of an infectious disease. In such cases there is no common law liability. The destruction of clothing and furniture, says the attorney, to prevent the spread of smallpox is like the destruction of houses to prevent the spread of conflagration, and is not a taking of private property for public uses, for which compensation is to be made. He says that these claimants are not within the class of "poor persons," designated in the statute. The destruction of the articles for which claim is made appears to have been made at the direction of the claimants themselves, according to the report. The attorney is of the opinion that the claims are not well founded at law, and should be refused.

A Patriotic Entertainment.

A unique and highly interesting patriotic entertainment was given last night at the Congregational Church, under the auspices of the Newman Loyal Temperance Legion. The effort of the projectors of the affair to give a history of the United States by means of a program of story and song was eminently successful and the large audience present was enthusiastic. Flags and the national colors were prominent in the decorations and a patriotic spirit seemed to permeate the atmosphere. After a recitation by Mr. Joseph Bogan, the secretary of the legion, a quartet sang Felicia Hemans' thrilling poem, "The Pilgrim Fathers," and Miss Alice K. Peabody read "The Lover's Errand" from the "Courtship of Miles Standish," followed by a contralto solo, in the rich, mellow voice of Miss Florence McNelly. "Paul Revere's Ride" was recited by Mr. John Tweedale, in his matchless style, and other subjects referring to the war of independence were given in song and verse. Miss Cora Boyd sang the "Star Spangled Banner," and her beautiful tones evoked the heartiest enthusiasm. The civil war formed the subject of the remainder of the program. Mr. Tweedale recited "Sheridan's Ride," the male quartet sang "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," and Mr. Douglas G. Miller gave as a solo "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." A recitation by Mr. J. Blakeslee Johnson, entitled "A Hundred Years to Come," painted in glowing colors the condition of this free people in the twentieth century, and the entertainment was concluded by an original recitation by Mr. J. Wells Browning. The accompanists were Dr. J. W. Bischoff and Miss Coleman.

Sons of Veterans.

Commander-in-Chief William E. Bundy of the Sons of Veterans was tendered a reception last evening in Lincoln Hall by the Maryland Division, Sons of Veterans. Commander Bundy, whose home is in Cincinnati, is on his way to Boston to attend the annual encampment of the Massachusetts Division of the Sons of Veterans, and also to attend the banquet of the New England Association of Sons of Veterans.

Gen. Bundy, in a short address, uttered a little advice to the division as to the best way to increase the membership and to keep up the enthusiasm in the order. Addresses were also made by Commander Otto L. Suess, Past Commander Rodney, Past Division Commander Mussey and Past Commander Campbell. There was a large attendance.

A Charity Entertainment.

The announcement that the officers of Memorial Chapel, corner 5th and P streets, one of the branches of the Calvary Baptist Church, had arranged for a pound party and social sufficed to comfortably fill the church Monday evening. The proceeds will go a long way in helping the needy in their neighborhood. A fine musical and literary program was arranged for the evening. Among those who took part were Miss Edna Frazee, Miss R. T. Fairfax, Mr. W. G. Reynolds, Miss Emily Sauter, Mr. Herbert H. Hopkins, Miss Mollie W. Balster, Mr. Frank S. Browne and Mr. A. E. Pickell.

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THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

Members of the Faculty of the Hall of Philosophy Already Chosen.

The work suspended November last on the McMahon hall of philosophy of the Catholic University, owing to the fact that the building was in such an advanced state of completion that it could be easily finished during the spring and summer, will shortly be resumed. Contracts have been recently let for the wood finish, and a large force of men will soon be at work.

The directors of the university at first intended that this new department should be opened for the reception of students in October, 1894, but at their last annual meeting, which took place about a year ago, they determined to defer the opening for another year, the result of the delay being a more thorough organization and a better equipment of all its departments.

Bishop Keane during the past few months has been selecting members for the faculty of the hall of philosophy. Dr. Edward Pall, now holding the chair of experimental psychology in the Divinity College, will not only teach the same branch in the new department, but will also be dean of the faculty. Professor Edward Greene of the University of California, situated at Berkley, has accepted the chair of botany. Judge Robinson, at present dean of the law school at Yale, has accepted the chair of law, and will be dean of that department here. Rev. John Griffin, who is at present completing his studies at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, has been engaged for the chair of chemistry. Professor Griffin made a short visit to the university last week to complete the final arrangements for his future work. These are all the professors so far engaged. The report circulated that the services of Rev. John Gahm, a member of the faculty in Notre Dame University, Ind., and Rev. John C. York, a former graduate of the university, of the diocese of San Francisco, Cal., have been engaged for the faculty has been emphatically denied at the university.

The Golden Cross.

At the last meeting of Halcyon Commandery Noble Commander A. H. Stamp presided. One application for membership was received. After the regular business had been finished the commandery officers vacated their chairs and they were assumed by Grand Commander Perry and the officers of the Grand Commandery. The grand commander stated the object of the meeting to be a full and free discussion on the duties of vice noble commanders and warders of the inner and outer gates. During the discussion important decisions were made by the grand commander, which will be transmitted to the different commanderies. At the next meeting, on March 1, the degrees will be conferred.

At Potomac Commandery's last meeting Past Noble Commander George W. E. Slater presided. One application for membership was presented. One lady candidate received the degrees. After the regular business was disposed of Grand Commander Perry took the chair and proceeded with the school of instruction for noble commanders, past noble commanders, worthy heralds and worthy prelates.

The Crush at the Opera.

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

In view of the impending crush at the Opera House during the opera season beginning Thursday night, it behooves the authorities to rigidly enforce the law forbidding the occupancy of the aisles or aisle steps by spectators. The writer well remembers the opening night of the American opera season some years ago at the same opera house, when the aisles were packed with spectators seated two abreast, making a solid mass of humanity around the whole crescent, with no pasasgeway whatever for egress in case of a panic. It is hoped that Major Moore will detail a sufficient force of police to prevent any violation of the law referred to during the approaching operatic performances. P.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 8 P.M.,
Assisted by
MEMBERS OF THE GEORGETOWN ORCHESTRA.
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SEBASTIAN AMAN DEAD.

The Well-Known Restaurant Keeper Passed Away This Morning.

Sebastian Aman, the well-known restaurant keeper, died at his residence, 316 9th street, at 4:40 o'clock this morning, after an illness of nine days of pneumonia. Mr. Aman was in his fifty-second year, and had been a resident of this city since coming to this country, when a small boy. He was born in Baden, Germany, and, with the late W. L. Grun, entered into the liquor business at 8th and E streets. In March, 1863 or 1864, he opened business for himself at 316 9th street, where he was still engaged at the time of his death. The deceased was one of the best-known German-American citizens of the District, an enterprising business man and a prominent member of the Masonic order, a member of Washington Commandery, Knights Templar. He was a director of the Great Falls Ice Company, and succeeded the late John L. Vogt as a director in the National Capital Brewing Company. He leaves a widow and two grown children, a son and daughter. He formerly resided at Hyattsville, Md., but last December disposed of his residence there, and since had resided here at his place of business. His funeral will probably be private, and its date has not yet been decided upon.

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The Storthing (the Norwegian parliament) was opened yesterday afternoon by King Oscar in person.

RATHER DIE THAN LIVE.

BODY ENTIRELY BROKEN OUT IN ONE MASS OF SORES. COULD NOT SLEEP. WOULD WALK THE FLOOR ALL NIGHT CRYING AND SUFFERING.

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The first of October my daughter was taken with Typhoid and Malaria. While sick there came little blisters in the bends of the arms, which seemed to fill with water and itch. The doctor said when she got well these would leave, but they grew worse all the time, until from her neck down to her feet her body was entirely broken out in one mass of sores. She could not sleep, but would walk the floor all night crying, and said she would rather die than live, suffering like this. Reading your advertisement in the Ladies' Home Journal of the cures performed by CUTICURA REMEDIES in similar cases, we sent for and began to use them, and in one week she began to get better, would sleep and rest easily, and in two months, after using five boxes of CUTICURA, one cake of CUTICURA SOAP and two bottles of CUTICURA RESOLVENT, she was entirely well, and now, after nearly two years, there has been no trace of the disease. The doctor called it Psoriasis. I cannot give your remedies too much praise, for I believe my daughter would have died if it had not been for the CUTICURA REMEDIES. MARY J. NELSON, Pocomoke City, Md.

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Charity Ball and Reception
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THURSDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 21, 1895,
At the
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For the benefit of widows and orphans and needy confederate soldiers of the District of Columbia,
Assisted by the following lady patronesses:

Mrs. Carlisle,	Mrs. Mills, Texas,
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Mrs. Butler, S. C.,	Mrs. Marshall McDonald.

Tickets, $1.00. To be had at Thompson's Drug Store, 15th and N. Y. ave.; Drew's Drug Store, L and Conn. ave.; No. 30 Grant place, at the hall door and of members of the society and of confederate veterans. Supper, 50 cents, which will be served from 8 to 2 o'clock. f20-2t

THURSDAY, 21ST, 8 P.M., GRAND ENTERTAINMENT, Masonic Temple. Excellent program, including one-act comedy, "Loan of a Lover," by Washington's most promising talent, including Messrs. A. T. Seaman, Wm. H. Conley, Thos. H. Jones, Hermann Shade, Misses Mary P. Lockwood and Julia A. Seaman. Followed by dancing, with Shreve's orchestra of twelve pieces. Admission, 25c. fe20-2t

PARLOR TALK BY MAJOR GEORGE H. HARRIES of "The Evening Star" at the Y. M. C. A., 1409 N. Y. avenue, FRIDAY, February 22, '95, 8 p.m. Subject: "GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON." Ladies and gentlemen invited. Welcome. fe20-3t

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FRIDAY EVENING, February 22, Verdi's Opera, OTELLO, at 8 o'clock, Mme. Emma Eames, Mme. Mantelli, and Sig. Tamagno, Sig. Mariani, M. Mauguiere, Sig. Rinaldini, Sig. de Vaschetti, Sig. Viviani and M. Maurel. Conductor, Sig. Mancinelli.
SATURDAY MATINEE, February 23, Gounod's Opera, FAUST, at 2 o'clock, Mme. Melba, Mlle. Bauermeister and Mme. Scalchi, M. Edouard de Reszke, Sig. Ancona, Sig. Viviani and M. Jean de Reszke. Conductor, Sig. Mancinelli.
SATURDAY EVENING, February 23, Massenet's Opera, MANON, at 8 o'clock, Mlle. Sib