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DOCUMENTARY DRICOLE

How Early Washington Got Rid of Undersirable System. The militia system or to deprive it of its oppressive and ridiculous character.

People Managed a Parade of Most Fantastic Features.

BURLESQUE OF THE MILITARY Scheme Which was Encouraged by the Press was Forerunner of Reform.

THE YOUNGER PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON

When they were made to "fantastic parades" having taken place in Washington, as they do semi-occasionally, evince considerable interest, yet few know what the term means.

THE GREAT FANTASTICAL DEMONSTRATION

however, occurred many years before, and few who witnessed it are now living. This was for a more serious purpose—in short, to accomplish the improvement or abolition of the militia system.

ONE WHO WAS A FIFTY OF THAT TIME

says: "We had a very different system in old times than that now represented by the National Guard. Then all white militia companies were organized on the basis of age were subject to enrollment in the militia, and I well remember the training camps of the militia in the city of Washington. There were four or five musters each year.

THESE WERE LITTLE OR NO MILITARY KNOWLEDGE

imparted to the recruits. The militia was a mere social club, and the men were dismissed. The occasions were noted for the infliction of fines and other penalties upon absentees. The militia was a mere social club, and the men were dismissed.

INDICATIVE OF SENTIMENT.

"Let them recollect that no personal insult was intended, but nothing more than an indication (humorous, indeed, but inoffensive) of popular sentiment against the ridiculous and oppressive system of the militia, which was a source of suffering, and which it is highly desirable should either be meliorated or abandoned as soon as possible.

REPORT OF THE MEETING.

I found a call for a meeting at the city hall to be held on May 28, 1855, and in the intelligence of June 3 the report of that meeting, as follows:

THE MEETING WAS ORGANIZED BY APPOINTING

Mr. Nathan Edmonston president and Mr. J. Adams MacDuell secretary. The object of the meeting being made known by the president, Mr. MacDuell and Mr. Burke addressed the meeting on the subject. Mr. MacDuell offered the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, THAT A COMMITTEE OF THREE

be appointed to draft resolutions expressing the sense of this meeting in regard to the present militia system, which was afterwards adopted.

RESOLVED, THAT THE PRIVATE MEMBERS

of the several companies of militia within the present militia system, a general meeting, will hereafter neither sell or buy from or in any other way whatsoever confidence or hold communication directly or indirectly with any agent, officer, or commission or warrant or in any other manner command, in the District of Columbia, or in any other place, or within the District be respectfully requested to give the above insertion and

RESOLVED FURTHER, THAT IN CASE OF WAR

we are all American citizens. Adopted Unanimously.

AFTER THE PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS WERE

read they were very eloquently seconded by Mr. Edmonston and unanimously adopted.

ON MOTION OF MR. MACDUELL IT WAS

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the object of this meeting. Whereupon the chair appointed Messrs. Edmund Burke, Richard France, Henry Hay, B. B. Russell, Geo. Thomas and John Adams MacDuell. The committee retired and reappeared and submitted the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, THAT THE PRESENT MILITIA

system is oppressive and should be resisted by the people of this city with all their energy.

RESOLVED, THAT AS RIDICULE IS THE MOST

effective weapon in protesting evils, the militia system should be subjected to a public and a grandly successful parade on the last Saturday in June next.

RESOLVED, THAT WE RECOMMEND THAT

every man should follow his own fancy as regards dress.

RESOLVED, THAT TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE

above resolutions, all persons who shall appear with any musical instruments, they can procure and upon which they cannot perform."

ORDER FOR THE PARADE.

Some communications favoring the anti-militia sentiment were published in the Sun and Mirror, and also the order for the parade, as follows:

WASHINGTON, June 20, 1855.

"I, major general, commander-in-chief of the Anti-Militia Corps, do, by virtue of my commission hereby published and request of all present militia, to appear in uniform, in honor, sobriety and patriotic attire, to meet at the District of Columbia, that they assemble at the City Hall, completely equipped according to their own fancy, and there to receive further orders from their commanding officer touching the proceedings of the day. All those who are disposed to volunteer under that banner (that is, the banner of freedom and the rights of the people) will do well to join their fellow-citizens in a patriotic parade, and great benefits may arise from our short campaign in as much as it may tend to the overthrow of the system of military tactics, which is revolting to the free citizen, and in every way unworthy of the protectors of liberty and good government.

I, therefore, earnestly invite all persons

who feel so disposed, to join in a fantastical parade, at the time and place aforesaid, and to notice daily published in the Sun and Mirror and Sun papers, of those who join in the parade will be on foot, except the regularly appointed field officers.

EDMONSTON, M. G.

Adjutant.

NEWSPAPER COMMENT.

The Washington Sun of Saturday, June 20, reminds its readers "That this is the day set apart for the grand fantastical parade to go off in the city. We hope that the utmost decorum in action and good feeling will mark this wild carnival of some of our fellow-citizens."

THE MIRROR OF JUNE 20 EXHIBITS THE

participants to "do the thing handsomely, soberly and quietly."

SOME GROTESQUE SUGGESTIONS.

"One fellow had a string of herrings behind him; another a bread loaf; one man with a wooden gun and bayonet tixed to the end of a herring stuck upon it; sev-

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The three-masted schooner Hubbard, which has been lying at Alexandria for several days past loading a cargo of railroad iron, was completed on Saturday and left on her way to the city of Alexandria, Va., on Saturday.

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