

SCENES IN THE PROPOSED NEW PARK ON GEORGETOWN HEIGHTS.



PARK IS PLANNED FOR GEORGETOWN

Proposed Breathing Space Has Many Advantages.

GROWTH OF FOREST TREES

Green Lawns and Shady Nooks Make Place Attractive.

SENATE FAVORS PURCHASE

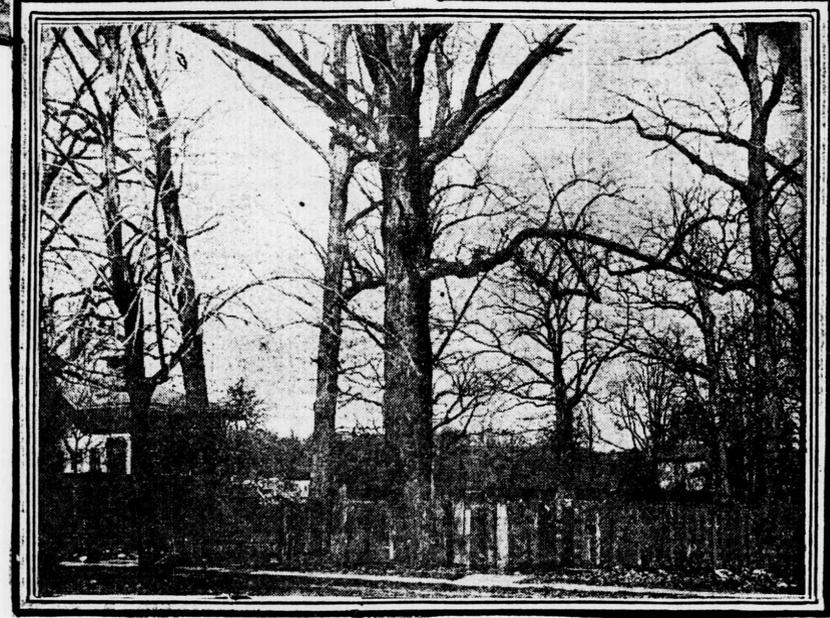
Passes Bill Appropriating \$150,000 to Acquire the Land—Measure in House Committee's Hands.

If the Gallinger bill for the purchase of land for public park on Georgetown Heights becomes a law, one of the most beautiful tracts of land in the District will be dedicated to the use of the people. The bill passed the Senate the 3d of this month, and is now pending before the public buildings and grounds committee of the House. The proposed park contains about sixteen acres, and is bounded in part by Lovers lane, in the north, by the cemetery and Rock creek. It is the belief of the Senate and of the Commissioners that it can be acquired and put into good shape for \$150,000, and this amount is carried in the bill.

An Attractive Place.

The tract is ornamented with a growth of splendid forest trees. The lay of the land also lends itself to enlarge the charms of this really beautiful spot. A portion of it is like a plateau, and then the ground falls away to the sides of a gorge which forms the northern boundary of the property. The contrast from the smooth and, perhaps, somewhat formal lines of a lawn, dotted with fine old trees, to the beginning of a romantic beauty of the glen at the north is a striking one. These natural beauties, so rarely found, and which are something to do with its selection by popular choice, as it seems of a place to be set apart for the use of the people. But in addition to its fitness for such purposes there is also added the convenience of access and the necessity for something of the sort in that section of the city. It may be surprising to know, but there is no park in all that large area of city which lies beyond Rock creek and is known as Georgetown, not even a circle or a triangular open place or anything of the kind. Ordinarily, as American cities go, or rather as they were laid out, this is by no means an unusual thing. Here in Washington, however, the good fortune that in the beginning a plan that foresighted vision of the future was adopted, and as the conditions were such that it was practically impossible to change it, the city has today a park system that is recognized as being without question admirably adapted, not only for the purpose of affording recreation and health of the inhabitants.

Georgetown Not Provided For. Unfortunately as it now seems, although



MAP SHOWING THE NEW PARK.

