

LOCAL NEWS.

THE WARD MEETINGS, for the election of Delegates to the Congressional Nominating Convention, to be held in this city, will take place to-night, at the different points designated in the notice calling the meetings. There will probably be, as there ought to be, full assemblages of the voters.

POLITICAL MEETING.—On the occasion of the weekly meeting of the Greeley and Brown Club, and in response to the announcement that Major S. J. C. Moore of Clarke county, would address the citizens, the Assembly Room was crowded last night.

At eight o'clock, the meeting was called to order by the President of the club, Mr. Lewis McKenzie, when, on motion of Col. M. D. Ball, the club proceeded to the transaction of the business before it, and Mr. Hugh Latham explained the non-action of the Executive Committee, and stated that he thought it would be better to delay more active proceedings until after the 15th, when the Congressional nomination having been made, he promised, on behalf of the committee, a greater degree of energy on its activity.

Some routine business having been transacted, and several new members added to the club, Mr. McKenzie introduced to the audience Major Moore, who proceeded to deliver an excellent speech of about an hour's length. He alluded to the business relations existing in former years between his section of country and this city, when the trade was carried on by means of wagons, but which trade had been since diverted, in consequence of the construction of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and its branch to Winchester. He was in hopes, however, that through the agency of the Washington and Ohio Railroad, the progress of which was so anxiously watched by the people of all his section, and whose President deserved so much at the hands of the people, for his energy and determination, that this trade would soon again be attracted to Alexandria, its natural outlet, and in whose prosperity every true Virginian was interested. The speaker then very happily illustrated that however bright might be the prospects of our material prosperity, without freedom to fully enjoy it, and a proper and just administration of the government under which we live, it availed nothing, and in this connection he took occasion to review, thoroughly and ably, the acts and designs of the present administration, clearly showing its corrupting and ruinous tendency, and the ultimate leading to centralization and despotism if the leaders of the dominant faction are permitted to hold sway of the destinies of the country; and urged the necessity of a change and a reform. He concluded his speech with an illustration of the position of those who declined to take part in the present contest, likening them to the man who, during the war, was first on one side and then on the other, and who finally acknowledged, when cornered, that he was nothing and a little of that.

At the conclusion of Major M.'s address, which was frequently applauded, and just as Dr. J. C. Hill was preparing to speak, Mr. McKenzie rose and stated that while he was glad to welcome his friend Major Moore, and had listened to him with pleasure, and while he would be pleased to hear from him or any other gentleman on proper occasions, yet he did not think that the course of argument pursued was calculated to produce harmony, but rather to estrange Republicans from the present movement; and that it was also apparent, to him, at least, that the club, which had been organized for the purpose of advancing the cause of Greeley and Brown in the Presidential contest—and for that alone, was being used by Congressional aspirants to air their vocabularies, and to advance their own ends. For his part, and as the presiding officer of the club, he thought there had been enough of this, and he thought there were those candidates wanted to give expression to their views. They should choose their own place and time and not take advantage of the meetings of the club for that purpose.

Dr. Hill, with some excitement, demanded that his name should be stricken from the list of members of the club. Mr. McKenzie said that there was no necessity for that. He had meant no disrespect to Dr. Hill, but his remarks were intended for all Congressional candidates, who seemed to have their own success more at heart than that for which the club was organized—the election of Greeley and Brown.

Dr. Hill said that he had been invited to speak at this meeting. Mr. McKenzie said the gentleman was mistaken. He had announced himself that he would speak, but he had no invitation from him or any other member of the club that he was aware of.

Dr. Hill, in further explanation, said that he had, two years ago, been the first to inaugurate the movement which had called into existence the club, and that he had fought continuously for its success, and intended to do so still, but that as he did not feel very well, he would defer his speech until Mr. Claughton's meeting, when he would divide time with that gentleman.

Maj. Moore explained that he had been invited to address the citizens of Alexandria, and not especially the Greeley and Brown club, but with the objects of which, however, he was in full accord. He was sorry that his remarks did not meet with the approbation of the President of the Club, but he was in the habit of speaking what he thought and saying it in his own way.

Mr. McKenzie wished Maj. Moore to understand that he went no reflection upon him in the slightest manner. He was glad he had spoken, but did not think it was necessary to be so severe upon Grant. The best way was to engender a spirit of harmony and not to create more discord. The speakers should have some regard to the Liberal Republicans who were so earnestly at work in the cause.

Mr. Y. Howe Peyton said that he thought it necessary to pour oil on the troubled waters. Mr. McKenzie—Oh never mind the waters, they're all right.

Mr. Peyton accorded with the President that the club should not be used by candidates for their purposes, but thought that because a gentleman was a candidate for Congress it was no reason why he should not speak at the meetings of the club. He hoped Dr. Hill would proceed with his speech.

A motion was made to adjourn, but before it was put an invitation was extended to Maj. T. Hill, of Culpeper, who was present, to address the meeting, which invitation was accepted, and for nearly an hour the Major retained his audience, frequently convincing them with laughter by the recital of pertinent anecdotes, aptly illustrative of the positions he assumed with regard to the Administration and its acts. Mr. McKenzie had said in the course of his remarks that if the candidates for Congress knew as much about the trouble of the position as he did they would not be so anxious, and that the place looked much better at a distance, but the speaker would remind his friend that his assertions did not bear out his assertion, for if his memory served him right he, Mr. McK., had tried right hard to get back there. Maj. H.'s remarks, as we have said, caused great good feeling, and the meeting wound up very pleasantly, adjourning about half past ten o'clock.

BROKEN ARMS.—On Saturday last an old lady named Johnson, living near the Court House, while walking on the street, fell and broke her arm.

On Sunday a colored boy named Walter Fields, while playing near Hunting Creek, accidentally broke his arm. The necessary surgical assistance in both these cases was rendered by Dr. J. B. Johnson.

MAYOR'S OFFICE.—C. Auger, for an infraction of the Sunday law, was fined and discharged.

Louis Appich and Henry Herber, for an infraction of the Sunday law, were recognized for their appearance at a further examination. A warrant was issued against Fritz Schneider for an infraction of the Sunday law.

Fred Ludoum and Moses Kit, colored, were arrested for disorderly conduct and fighting near the depot of the W. & O. R. R. The former was fined and discharged, and the latter discharged.

Hugh Strider, for disorderly conduct and striking an officer, was committed to jail for further examination. Abitha Peters, colored, for creating a nuisance by throwing beef heads in Potomac Lodge alley, was fined and discharged.

A colored boy named Jim Bird, for throwing stones on the street, was held for further examination.

NIGHT REPORT.—Night clear and mild.—There were no disturbances after ten o'clock. Three prisoners were in the station-house.

QUARANTINE.—As will be seen by reference to the proceedings of the meeting of the Board of Health, last night, the question of keeping the schooner Sophie Krantz, on board of which there lately occurred a case of small pox, in quarantine, was left to the discretion of the Health Officer, Dr. Brown. The quarantine grounds are below Jones' Point, but the quarantined vessel has never been there. Since she was made to quit her wharf she has been anchored in the stream, just off the city, with her crew having been in constant communication, and Dr. Brown stated this morning that he would visit her this evening, and if he found that the rumors about other cases of the disease being aboard of her were incorrect, and that she had been properly fumigated, he would allow her to come to her dock and take on her cargo. The Board of Health, of Washington, having notified the authorities of this city that no more cases of contagious diseases sent there from here will be taken care of, it would seem the part of prudence for the Alexandria Board of Health to at once procure a suitable place for the care of such cases, should any more occur.

PROPERTY SALE.—A portion of the estate of the late Josiah H. Davis, was sold to day by F. A. Kerby, Auctioneer, as follows: A lot with three frame buildings on the west side of Columbus street north of Franklin, to James W. Nalls, for \$1,375; lot with frame tenement adjoining the above on the north to W. L. Padgett for \$620; lot and three story brick house on north side of Prince street between Fairfax and Water, to A. Duffus, for \$1,110; lot and two story brick house on the west side of Water street between Duke and Wolfe streets, to J. H. Gray, for \$1,260; lot and two story frame house on east side of Fairfax street, near Wilkes, to Mrs. Emeline Thompson, for \$800; lot on east side of Union street between Prince and Duke streets, to John A. Seaton, for \$400; lot adjoining the above on the South to B. H. Lambert, for \$268; and the right of a dock 15 feet wide in front of "Miller's Warehouse" to R. H. Miller, for \$200.

OVERBOARD.—Mr. Geo. Y. Worthington, while walking on the wharf in front of his counting room, in the Pioneer Mills, yesterday, accidentally fell overboard into deep water, but was speedily rescued. A colored man named John Davis while walking ashore from the steamer Lady of the Lake, at Reed's wharf, this morning, with a watermelon under each arm, fell overboard and would have drowned had it not been for the assistance rendered him by persons who witnessed the accident. In addition to the scare and wetting, he received a severe bruise on the shoulder and worst of all—lost his watermelons.

PROPERTY SALES.—The following sales of city property have just been made by G. W. Parker, real estate agent: Lot on Patrick street between Queen and Princess, belonging to William Gregory, to Samuel Johnson for \$160; lot on the corner of Pendleton and Alfred street, belonging to Emmanuel Francis, to Elijah Taylor, for \$150; lot adjoining the above and having the same owner, to King, for \$125; and three lots adjoining the above and having the same owner, to Harry Royal, of Front Royal, for \$100 each.

REGATTA.—On Monday the 26th inst. a boat race will be run from 7th street wharf in Washington to Glymont and return commencing at 9 a. m. The prizes are to be \$70 for the first class and two prizes for the second class; the first boat rounding the stake-boat to have double the amount of the second. The following yachts are entered: First class—Witch of the Wave, Ella Dolphin, East Wind, Curlew. Second class—Spray, Gertrude, Fannie Bell, John T. Given, Nellie, May Brook, and Helen.

POTOMAC FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION.—The August meeting of the Potomac Fruit Growers' Association was held in Washington, yesterday, Chalkley Gillingham, president, in the chair. There was a full attendance of members living far and near. There was a fine display of fruits presented by different members. Arrangements were made for holding the yearly exhibition at the Board of Trade rooms on the first Tuesday in September.

CHICKEN FIGHT.—A chicken fight occurred yesterday at the forks of the road near Oxen Hill Church, on the opposite side of the river, between parties from the District of Columbia and Prince George's county, Maryland. A large number of persons from Washington and the surrounding country, and a few from this city were present. As a general thing the chickens from Washington were victorious.

INCORRECT.—The news article in yesterday's Gazette about Loudoun County Court was clipped from an exchange, and was incorrect. The August term of the Loudoun County Court will not commence until next Monday.

UMBRELLAS.—Alpaca, Scotch Gingham and Cambric Umbrellas, all sizes and of different qualities; a full supply at GEO. MCBURNEY & SON, 166 and 170 King street.

FRESH SUPPLY OF SALAD OIL just received and for sale by GEO. MCBURNEY & SON, 166 and 170 King street.

FINE NO. 1 MACKEREL in kits, for family use, for sale by GEO. MCBURNEY & SON, 166 and 170 King street.

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WATER COOLERS, of superior quality, with plated spigots, will be sold at low prices to close out, at 88 King street. J. T. CREIGHTON & SON, aug 6

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.]

North Carolina Election. NEW YORK, August 7.—A special Raleigh dispatch to the Times says Caldwell is elected Governor of North Carolina by 1,000 majority. There are as yet eight counties to be heard from.

The Herald's Raleigh dispatch claims that Merrimon is elected by 761 majority according to the Democratic count, but adds that it is absolutely impossible to decide until the official vote is in.

The Tribune says the returns which it has this morning given give Caldwell a majority of 406, but it is not disposed to give up the State on present showing.

RALEIGH, August 7—1 p. m.—It is now thought that Caldwell has been elected by from 1,500 to 2,000 majority.

The Mexican Depredations. BROWNSVILLE, TEX., August 6.—Five witnesses were before the Commission to day. The cases are accumulating. Full details are presented of the firing upon a pleasure boat, the assault and injury inflicted upon the American citizen who was shot and put in the guard house, and details of the art of cattle stealing. Men are made poor in a single day by the crossing of their herds over the river, which is a weekly tribute and there is in a reign of blood. The country people are armed day and night. There is evidence of complicity on the part of nearly all ranch owners on the Mexican side. The first share of the spoils goes to these men.

The Geneva Board of Arbitration. LONDON, Aug. 7.—A dispatch from Geneva says the Alabama Claims Arbitration Court, at its session yesterday was engaged in hearing the argument of both the British and American counsel in relation to the case of the cruiser Shenandoah, which case, it is understood, is now closed. Although the day appointed for the re-assembling of the Court is Thursday, it is possible it may not meet again before next week.

Naval. FORT MONROE, Aug. 7.—The United States frigate Worcester, flying the broad flag of Rear Admiral S. P. Lee, commanding the North Atlantic squadron, arrived here last night from Key West. All on board are well. She will remain in the Roads until joined by Admiral Greco who succeeds Admiral Lee in command.

New York Items. NEW YORK, August 7.—The Spotted Tail and Sioux party leave here on Saturday for St. Louis.

The Tribune says the grand jury yesterday presented indictments against L. Jenkins Jennings of the Times for libel.

First Congressional District. FIEDERSBURG, Aug. 7.—The Convention to nominate a Conservative candidate for the 1st Congressional District met at Tappanhook yesterday, but the result cannot be obtained here until 7 1/2 this evening.

Gold Excitement in Ireland. LONDON, August 7.—There is some excitement throughout Ireland over the report of gold having been discovered near the town of Kinsale.

Mr. Stanley. LONDON, Aug. 7.—Mr. Stanley will be entertained at a dinner to-night by a number of American residents of London.

Mr. Greeley. PROVIDENCE, August 7.—Horace Greeley left here at 6 o'clock this morning for Manchester, N. H.

Prorogation of Parliament. LONDON, Aug. 7.—Parliament will be prorogued on Saturday next at 2 o'clock.

Weather Report. WAR DEPARTMENT, OFFICE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, WASHINGTON, August 7, 11 a. m. Probabilities.—Clearing weather with southerly winds prevail in New England and also till the afternoon in the Middle States. On the lower Lake southerly and westerly winds and partly cloudy weather with cloudy area extending into Pennsylvania and eastward, this afternoon. Clear weather in the Gulf States with variable winds. On the South Atlantic light northerly and easterly winds with cloudy weather and occasional coast rains. Clear and clearing weather in the Northwest, the Mississippi and Ohio valleys and southerly and westerly winds.

The Markets. NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Stocks strong. Gold quiet at 151. Money easy at 4. V. sixes 45; new 50. Flour a shade firmer. Wheat quiet and very firm. Corn dull. BALTIMORE, Aug. 7.—V. sixes, old, 37 3/4; do, consolidated, 50; do, registered and peeled 45 bid. Cotton firm; low middlings 20 1/2. Flour firm and unchanged. Wheat steady and firm; white choice 175-180. Corn firmer for Southern; white Southern 70-72; yellow Southern 64-65; mixed Western wheat at 62 1/2-63. Oats firm; Southern 40-42; mixed 45-46; white 46. Rye quiet and unchanged.

A GENUINE article of MOCHA COFFEE for sale by the CHINESE TEA COMP'Y., 11 North Royal street, Alexandria, Va. aug 3

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PISTOLS and CARTRIDGES—A new supply just received at 88 King st., Alex., Va. aug 6 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

Local Brevities.

The camp meeting at Vienna, will commence on the 9th instant.

Messrs. Peter and Samuel Puluau, of Fairfax county, sailed from Baltimore to-day for England.

A meeting of the Mechanics' Home Association, will be held in the Friendship Engine House, to-night.

Sweet potatoes and watermelons are now arriving here in large quantities from the counties bordering on the Potomac.

As will be seen by reference to the marine news in to-day's Gazette, vessels drawing 21 feet of water have no difficulty in navigating the Potomac river up to this city.

A meeting of all opposed to the present National Administration, was held at Baily's Cross Roads this evening, to appoint delegates to the Congressional Convention, to be held in this city on the 15th instant.

Rev. Geo. H. Norton, rector of St. Paul's church, has left the city on a short summer vacation. During his absence the handsome improvements to the interior of the church, already begun, will be pushed forward rapidly.

The sewers loaded with night soil that pass here daily from Washington, do not deposit their cargoes in the river, as formerly, but a piece of land, on Broad Creek, which has been bought for the purpose.

Four geese were confiscated by two of our policemen who had been watching them for some time at the corner of King and Washington streets this morning, and sent to the Alms House.

The denizens of that portion of the city round about Fishhook complain greatly of a most disagreeable smell that now pervades that whole neighborhood, and the attention of the worthy Superintendent of Police is called to their relief.

It is understood that a portion of the capital stock of the Street Railway Company has already been subscribed for, and that as soon as the whole amount, \$100,000, is taken, the work of constructing the road will be commenced.

The Greeley and Brown ratification meeting, to be held in this city on the night of the 15th instant, will take place at the intersection of King and Washington streets—the speakers stand to be erected on the southwest corner of that intersection.

Capt. William Smith and Mr. John Travers will please accept our thanks, the former for a splendid watermelon, from the ice house of Mr. Ewell Atwell, and the latter for a Spanish mackerel fish from the Chesapeake bay. Like the razor-strop man—these gentlemen have a few more left of the same sort.

A fight occurred near a house at the upper end of King street, last night, between Bill and Ben Austin, a colored man and his son, Officer Jack Nightingill, who attempted to arrest the former, was threatened with the contents of a pistol, but persisting in the effort, Austin ran into the house and barred the doors, and before it could be forced open had escaped through a back window.

Great Bargains. SUMMER CASSIMERE AND LINEN SUITS, —AT— SAKRETA CLOTHING HALL, 89 King street. Russia Duck Suits, Great Bargains. White Linen Suits, Great Bargains. Linen Striped Suits, Great Bargains. New Orleans Check Suits, Great Bargains. Alpaca Coats, Great Bargains. Japanese Coats, Great Bargains. Drap d'ete Coats, Great Bargains. Silk Lustre Coats, Great Bargains. An immense variety of Summer Cassimere Suits to be closed out very cheap at Sakreta Clothing Hall. I. SCHWARTZ & Co., 89 King street, aug 6

SPECIAL NOTICES. WHAT WE NEED WHEN DEBILITATED.—Appetite and digestion languish all the season. At the close of the body most needs renovation and support, the stomach, its commissariat department, is apt to prove delinquent. Under such circumstances the necessity for a wholesome stimulant, tonic and corrective is self-evident, and consequently the demand for that peerless combination of the three required elements, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, is never more urgent than at midsummer. It is true that a few medical bigots—fossils "left over" from the dark ages—foam and rant against the use of Bitters, and charge it with indigestion and its accompanying ills; but they make few proselytes. The majority of the community are sane, and all sane people are aware that a pure and powerful vegetable tonic with alterative properties, like Hostetter's Bitters, is the only cure for dyspepsia, biliousness, indigestion, nervousness, and the "consequential damages" they inflict. The human intellect, unless hopelessly diseased or egregiously humbugged, declines to assist the weakened human stomach with fierce and unrelenting purgation and water given as a cure for indigestion and its accompanying ills; but they make few proselytes. The majority of the community are sane, and all sane people are aware that a pure and powerful vegetable tonic with alterative properties, like Hostetter's Bitters, is the only cure for dyspepsia, biliousness, indigestion, nervousness, and the "consequential damages" they inflict. The human intellect, unless hopelessly diseased or egregiously humbugged, declines to assist the weakened human stomach with fierce and unrelenting purgation and water given as a cure for indigestion and its accompanying ills; but they make few proselytes. The majority of the community are sane, and all sane people are aware that a pure and powerful vegetable tonic with alterative properties, like Hostetter's Bitters, is the only cure for dyspepsia, biliousness, indigestion, nervousness, and the "consequential damages" they inflict.

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STRONG TESTIMONY.—Staubenville, O., Sept. 4, 1871.—Dr. Wm. H. Tuttle: Dear Sir—I feel it a duty to you and to suffering humanity to make public the great merits of your Extract Sarsaparilla and Queen's Delight. For years I have been a great sufferer, my general health broke down, and I was afflicted with nervousness of the most terrible character, which was soon followed by an eruption all over the body, forming large ulcers in some places, and attended with rheumatic pains. Tongue cannot describe my suffering; I was reduced almost to a skeleton, and had a perfect loathing of food. I was attended by several physicians, who rendered me no relief. I despaired of ever being well again; but thanks to a kind Providence, I accidentally heard of your medicine. I sent for half a dozen bottles, and before I had taken three I began to feel better, my appetite improved, and the rheumatic pains became less severe and I could enjoy sleep. I have continued to use, and have taken eleven bottles, and believe I am a sound man again. The ulcers have healed, my skin is smooth and healthy, and I have gained 22 pounds in weight. I believe my sickness resulted from a taint of scrofula. I would earnestly recommend your compound to my fellow sufferers. With deep gratitude to you, I am ever your friend, JAS. FRANKLIN.

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