The Times

City Brevities.

The Potomac Boat Club will hold the annual regatta this season on Saturday, September 18.

Thomas Page, an old and much respected resident of Georgetown, died yesterday after a short illness.

Attorney Campbell Carrington has returned from his trip to Europe and resumed the practice of his profession.

The regular meeting of the Anti-Saloon League will be held at 8 p. m., September 6, at No. 623 Louisiana avenue.

A service of forty hours' devotion will commence at 10:30 o'clock today at Trinity Catholic Church, with a solemn high mass.

W. E. Thomas and James E. Campbell are playing a match of ten games for chess supremacy at the Washington Chess Club rooms.

William Johnson, colored, aged fourteen years, was found dead in bed at No. 1104 C street southwest early yesterday morning. Consumption was the cause.

John R. Malloy, a middle-aged man, was sent to jail for thirty days by Judge Kimball yesterday for stealing W. R. Sandmeyer's team, but Mr. Sandmeyer expressed his willingness to prosecute for petty larceny only, and Malloy pleaded guilty.

Mr. Warner Stetler, the newly-appointed superintendent of the street cleaning department, is engaged in making, for the information of citizens, a schedule of the city streets, showing how often and on what days each is swept.

Suit in equity was filed yesterday by Leander Van Riswick, Lillie M. Beall, and Sophia Whyte, against Charles Van Riswick, to compel the defendants to perform their contract to quit claim and convey to the complainants parts of lots 1 and 2, square 701, part of the estate of William Van Riswick, deceased.

Compare any port wine in the market with Chr. Xander's own 1891 Va. Port, $3 gal., 75c. qt., to find the latter the most fruity. Four-fold water addition does not destroy its vinosity. 909 7th st.

B. & O. BULLETIN.

REDUCED RATES.

Baltimore and return, $1.00. All B. & O. trains today.

Luray and return, $3.50, including admission to the Caverns. Special train, 8:30 a. m., Thursday next.

Niagara Falls and return, $10.00. Ten-day tour. Special train, 8:10 a. m., Thursday next.

Bay Ridge and return, 50 cents. Trains today, 9:35 a. m., 1:30 and 3:15 p. m.

Off on a Fishing Trip.

The Columbia Fishing Club, Jr., Rear Admiral G. F. Lewis, commanding; Commodore W. G. Walde, executive officer, leaves this evening on its seventeenth annual fishing cruise on the lower Potomac. They take all the latest novelties in tackle, and expect a large catch. The party consists of Admiral G. F. Lewis, Commodore Walde, Dr. William Martin, surgeon; Rev. John Choate, chaplain, and Messrs. Conner, Atherton, Neurath, Smith, Egloff, Andre, Clark, Burns, Barres, Dwyer, Miller and Capt. Jack Fisher, the veteran "chef."

Whereabouts of Robert Roman.

A few weeks ago the Department of State was requested by prominent citizens of New Orleans to ascertain the whereabouts of Robert Roman, of that city. A dispatch just received at the State Department from Consul General Pringle in Guatemala, says that a letter has been received by him from Mr. Christopher Kempsted, vice and deputy consul for the United States at Balise, British Honduras, saying that Mr. Roman left Balise for Progresso, Mexico, on or about May 15 last.

Policeman Wm. Kenney Dismissed.

Private William Kenney, who disappeared from No. 1 station several days ago, was yesterday dishonorably dismissed from the service by the Commissioners, and Private J. F. C. Welsh promoted to the second-class in his stead. As nothing had been heard of the missing man, Lieut. Amiss yesterday morning reported him to headquarters as a deserter, and Major Moore forwarded the report to the Commissioners with the recommendation that they take action as stated.

Policeman Dorsett Sues for Divorce.

Walter B. Dorsett, a member of the police force, yesterday instituted divorce proceedings against his wife, Alice Dorsett, alleging infidelity. He states in his petition that the defendant was married to him August 19, 1891, and that on February 9, 1893, she deserted him without cause. He charges her with immoral practices both before and since their marriage.

The Moseley for Colonial Beach.

The cool weather has put no damper on the Colonial Beach excursions, as the steamer Jane Moseley continues to carry down to that resort a goodly number of passengers on each trip. In fact, the season at the Beach continues to improve rather than diminish, as none of the cottagers have thought yet of coming to the city. This is really the most beautiful feature of the resort. The large hotel and boarding-houses are nearly all well patronized. To keep in touch with the general reduction in rates by the railroads, the steamer Jane Moseley has made special arrangements for the Labor Day rush tomorrow, as well as for today. Tickets are good for the entire season. The dining-room and lunch-counter service have almost entirely done away with the "lunch basket" carrying, owing to the low rates and high quality of the goods—the management having endeavored to do away with anything like extortion, and furnishing everything at the lowest city prices. Arrangements are being made to give several oyster roasts and clam bakes before the close of the season, as the bivalves are something fine in this immediate locality. The steamer will leave her wharf, foot of Sixth street southwest, or next below "River View" wharf, today and tomorrow, and thereafter until further notice, at 9 a. m.

ELECTRIC CARS TO CROSS

Commissioners Grant a Permit to the Capital Railway.

Navy Yard Bridge to Be Strengthened and One Car at a Time Allowed on It.

The District Commissioners have decided to strengthen the Navy Yard bridge immediately, so far as they are able, with certain undisposed of and available funds on hand. This decision was arrived at yesterday after a consultation with the Engineer Commissioner, in view of the report rendered Friday that the bridge would be unsafe when the heavy cars of the Capital Traction Company commenced running across it, as allowed by act of Congress.

The matter of strengthening the bridge will come in the province of the engineer department, but it is understood that work will be commenced almost immediately. The exact fund at their disposal has not been ascertained, as the Commissioners themselves have not been informed on that subject definitely, but enough money is on hand to materially increase the structural efficiency of the bridge.

The Commissioners yesterday granted a permit to Mr. A. E. Randle, president of the Capital Railway Company, to put in the underground electric system on the tracks crossing the Navy Yard Bridge, and to operate his cars over the bridge and to the end of the route at the Navy Yard gate, as soon as possible. This action was taken in spite of the report of the Engineer Department that the bridge was unsafe. The calculations of the Engineer Department, however, were based on the theory of what would happen if two cars of the company, loaded to their utmost capacity, should meet on the bridge. When Mr. Randle explained to the Commissioners that he intended to so arrange the schedule that only one car would be on the bridge at one time, the Commissioners said that that would be very satisfactory, and issued the permit.

President Randle, in speaking of the matter yesterday, said that he could well understand the apprehension of the Commissioners in regard to the matter. He was satisfied, however, that the Commissioners had been acting for the public good in making the inquiry as to the condition of the bridge, but in his opinion, the bridge was safer and stronger today than it ever has been, as his company has just put down a double track of heavy eighty-pound rails, in addition to a new flooring of heavy lumber beams. He expected to have the road in operation up to the navy yard gates by the last of next week.

VARICK HAWKINS' HAUL.

The Sum Reported Taken by Him Increased by $20.

It was discovered yesterday that Messenger Hawkins' haul from the office of the District tax collector was $20 more than was at first reported.

This extra gain of Hawkins arose from a practice of tax-payers, who frequently do not care to wait for their receipts but slip the bill with the money in an envelope and give it to a clerk, with the understanding that the receipt will be sent them. One of these envelopes, containing $20, was missed several days before Hawkins decamped, and, as it had passed through his hands, it is believed he took it with the rest of the money.

As the tax-payer has no way of proving that he paid his bill, he will have to stand the loss, and it is probable that this news and the opportunities afforded by the system for similar abstractions without discovery will caution citizens to abandon the practice.

WORK OF THE CROOKS.

Thefts Reported to the Police Within a Day.

Thefts were reported to the police yesterday as follows:

Miss Rosa B. Blankman, No. 1131 Tenth street northwest, reports stolen from her room, between August 10 and August 25, set of gold jewelry, gold breastpin, and gold stickpin, and pocketbook, containing $11.

George B. Curtin, Seat Pleasant, Md., a farmer, reports stolen from his stand, on B street side of Center Market, light-colored pocketbook, containing $65.

T. B. Fair reports stolen yesterday from his bicycle, in the Washington Loan and Trust building, a Brown bicycle saddle.

The house of John A. Stanton, No. 105 H street northwest, was entered, and a quantity of plated goods stolen.

Joseph Brashears reports stolen from shed in rear of Sixteenth and R streets, a set of bricklayers' tools.

Mrs. Charles Hill, Chevy Chase, reports stolen yesterday sack of flour and lot of groceries.

At Glen Echo Today.

There is no falling off in the attendance at the large amphitheater at Glen Echo-on-the-Potomac. The management will present this afternoon and evening Prof. Will Haley's superb inaugural orchestra of thirty first-class musicians in grand concert. Manager Middleton has secured for the vaudeville numbers, commencing tomorrow (Labor Day) afternoon, Mademoiselle Morrello, with her trained spaniels; the American trio, eccentric acrobats, and Mary P. Lockwood, the well-known mezzo-soprano. Next Thursday will be a gala day at Glen Echo. The Washington Lodge of Elks are making great preparations for a monster entertainment, given in aid of their charity fund, and it is expected that one of the largest crowds of the season will be in attendance. Special arrangements have been made with the three electric roads running to the park to amply accommodate the patrons.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday: B. F. Smith and Mattie M. Owens, Rockingham county, Va.; Curtis Brown and Lucy Davis; James Clarence Dowell and Lucie Thomas Trant, Bealeton, Va.; John W. McLaughlin and Inez G. Taylor; William Campbell and Sophia McGeever; Robert Mahoney and Owie Virginia Jackson; L. Murray Gotwald and Mae Harner; Henry Woodward and Emma Jones; Patrick M. Ambrose, Jersey City, N. J., and Jessie A. McGowan; Joseph Thomas and Hester Smith; Edward Wertley and Mary Eleanor McLean; Charles E. Mealey and Effie Kalb, both of Frederick, Md.

Notice to Owners of Dogs.

The Postoffice Department has recently pointed out to a number of parties the following section of the postal regulations: "Carriers are not required to run the risk of being bitten by vicious dogs in delivering mail matter. Persons keeping such dogs must call at the postoffice for their mail, or if they wish it delivered at their houses must render it safe for the carrier to approach their premises."

Soldiers' Home Band Concerts.

The Soldiers' Home Band is giving a series of concerts at the Home grounds every evening, beginning at 5:30 o'clock and continuing for an hour. These concerts are being conducted by Prof. M. C. Myrelles, who has arranged a series of good programs for the rest of the season.

FIRES DURING AUGUST.

Estimated Losses During the Month Less Than $5,000.

The monthly report of Joseph T. Parris, chief of the fire department, received by the Commissioners, states that there were fourteen alarms of fire during the month, a decrease of three, as compared with last month.

There were also fourteen silent alarms, for which no bells were rung, which were answered by the department.

The estimated loss for the month was $4,450, covered by insurance of $3,220, against a loss of $13,815 and an insurance of $10,425 for the previous month, and a loss of $5,050, insurance $4,400 for the corresponding month last year.

A number of changes in the department, previously published, is given, and seven men reported on the sick list.

Engine Company No. 6 reports two horses burned to death at a fire from box 127, also that Assistant Foreman W. F. Lanahan had his hand slightly burned and Private J. W. Vernstein had his hand and arm slightly burned at the same fire.

The working of the department, Chief Parris concludes, and the conduct of the men has, with but few exceptions, been very good.

JOHN F. REYNOLDS POST.

Veterans Had a Jolly Time Talking About the Encampment.

The meeting of John F. Reynolds Post, No. 6, G. A. R., last Friday evening, was largely attended, to receive and welcome the members who visited Buffalo during the national encampment of the G. A. R. Each spoke in glowing terms of their visit and gave an interesting description of the trip, and all agreed that the grandeur of the meeting in Buffalo was exceeded only by that held in Washington in 1892.

Post Commander Thomas Galloway, who is a member of the Department of the Potomac, gave a graphic description of many places visited on the trip. He stated that the account published that a G. A. R. post of St. Louis visiting Toronto was treated discourteously was not true. The post mentioned procured a union jack, which was carried by a comrade in the ranks while marching through the streets of Toronto.

The people were surprised with their compliments, and entertained the post magnificently.

The Lost Man.

Jabbers—Where did you spend the summer?

Havers—Where I lost my identity.

Jabbers—Eh?

Havers—Among my wife's relatives, where I am known as "Mary's husband."—Truth.

TWO DIVORCES GRANTED.

Annie Zimmerman and Annie Berkley Obtain Decrees.

Judge Cox yesterday morning granted two decrees of freedom from marital ties.

Annie Zimmerman was divorced from William Zimmerman, with permission to resume her maiden name of Annie Dennison. The bill of complaint upon which the decree was given alleged drunkenness, cruelty, desertion and adultery upon the part of the defendant.

The second divorce was given to Annie Berkley from George Berkley. The papers were withheld from publication.

THE ELKS AT GLEN ECHO.

Arrangements for a Grand Gala Day on Next Thursday.

The Elks of Washington Lodge, No. 15 contemplate entertaining their numerous friends and patrons at Glen Echo, Md., on the afternoon and evening of September 9, with one of the best specialty combinations ever brought together under one roof.

The general committee having charge of the entertainment, by sending subcommittees to New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore, has succeeded in procuring some of the best specialty artists in the profession, from the above-named cities, some of whom will be new to the Washington public.

This entertainment will be given in addition to the regular Glen Echo program. Special provision has been made for the accommodation of families attending the afternoon performance.

The railroad facilities will be augmented anticipating increased patronage.

Officers Promoted.

The following enlisted men have been ordered to report in person to the commanding officer, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to appear for competitive examination for promotion: Corp. Harry K. Kingsbury, Troop F, First Cavalry; Sergt. Major Robert McCleave, First Infantry; Sergt. Warren S. Sample, Company D, First Infantry; Corp. Ralph A. Clay, Company B, Fifth Infantry, and Sergt. Thomas R. Harker, Company D, Twentieth Infantry.

Personally Conducted Tour Via Pennsylvania Railroad to Cresson Springs.

Round trip tickets, good going on 7:50 a. m. train September 10, and valid for return until September 15, including one day's board at the Mountain House, $3.00. ae3,5,7,9m-4,6,8e