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WEDNESDAY MORNING ..... JUNE 17, 1868.

AMUSEMENTS.

NATIONAL THEATRE.—Ristori was greeted last night by a very full house to witness her representation of the hapless Queen Marie Antoinette. In that character she gave every proof of her unexampled tragic power, and the audience—albeit not disposed to be exuberant in approbatory demonstrations, evinced their high appreciation of the performance. That an assemblage, a large preponderance of which were strangers to the language of the play, and the strict attention to its spoken parts evincing the correct interpretative action of the company should enlist the special interest of the audience, is in itself the highest praise, and the company, as well as the famed tragic Queen, has reason to feel felicitated.

To-night, Ristori will give her farewell appearance in this city, in the character of Queen Elizabeth, a part peculiarly her own. The public, familiar with the history of the "Virgin Queen," will not be at a loss to understand or to appreciate the performance, rendered as it will be by this eminent artiste, and we anticipate a crowded house at its representation. We should not omit to notice the excellent manner in which the company sustained the eminent tragedy queen, and the evident purpose of all to make the entertainment agreeable as well as successful.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A REGULAR meeting of the Washington Schoutzen Verein will be held this evening at John Keisel's brewery, Seventh street, between G and F.

A MEETING of the Workingmen's Assembly will meet at the Council Chamber, City Hall, this evening.

LEWIS CLEPHANE, United States collector, Internal Revenue of the District of Columbia, publishes elsewhere an important notice.

THE members of the Brotherhood of the Union will meet this evening at the hall of the Potomac Circle, Ninth street, corner of D.

J. H. SHAFFIELD advertises an arrival of fine grapes.

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

GREEN & WILLIAMS will sell this afternoon at 4 o'clock, on the premises, lot No. 4, in square No. 527, on D street north, between Fifth and Sixth streets east.

Also, at six o'clock, on the premises, two new three-story and basement brick houses and lots, fronting on Q street north, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets west.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

A MAN COMMITS SUICIDE AT THE MARINE BARRACKS.—Yesterday morning, at about 3 o'clock, Mr. Wm. A. Wilker, quartermaster's sergeant, United States marine corps, committed suicide in front of the Marine hospital, officers' quarters, of the barracks, Eighth street east, between G and I streets south, by shooting himself through the head with a large-sized Savage revolver. Messrs. Overby and Batham, watchmen at the navy yard, while on their way home, found the body lying on the front door step, leaning on the door mat, and the revolver with which he committed the deed was found near his hand with but one barrel discharged. His body was removed to the barracks, when, on examination, it was found that the muzzle of the pistol had been placed inside of the right corner of his mouth, the ball passing through and out of the top of his head, forcing some of the brains through with it, the blood spirting clear against the ceiling overhead.

About 11 a. m. yesterday morning, Justice James Lynch, of the Eighth precinct, acting as coroner, summoned a jury of inquest, Jas. Cropper, foreman, when the following facts were elicited:

The deceased left the barracks on Friday last for Baltimore on business, and had not been seen since until he was found dead. He was dressed in citizens' clothes, and his clothes and boots appeared to be very dusty, as if he had been on a tramp for some time.

Ed. O. Tasteleve, sworn: Witness examined the wound, and found that he put the pistol in his mouth, and the ball passed through the palate and out the top of his head.

W. H. Overby sworn: Witness is a watchman at the Navy Yard; discovered the deceased about ten minutes after two; thought it was some drunken man; saw that he was dead; heard a sound, and Mr. Batham went to the station. Officers Fields and Nokes came, examined the body closely, and found that the hand grasped a piece of the stock of the pistol. Witness heard something like a report as he came up. A portion of his skull witness found near.

John Batham testified that he was with Mr. Overby, and corroborated his testimony.

Sergeant Major Dunn sworn: Witness knew that Walker had been away since Friday, and when awakened he went to deceased's house; asked Mrs. W. if he had been home, and received the reply that he had not. Witness thought from his position that he was facing the street when he committed the act. He was a man of temperate habits.

Lieut. Milstead testified that he found in the pockets of the deceased a small amount of money, two letters, box of cartridges, &c.

The first letter is addressed to General Jacob Zeilin, commanding Marine corps, and is as follows:

General: One of the most unfortunate men, appeals to you, the last appeal in this world, in behalf of his wife and children. Made reckless by the designs of that unfortunate oil company which involved myself now involved beyond redemption, and unable to stand the sneers of those who helped me on in my ruin, and too old to go to work or commence something new to support a large family, I rather would leave this unhappy world. Of do not take the ration away from my wife, and should it be possible protect my boys. Please God they do so. It is I who has sinned, not they—and how I have suffered. Under a mask outside I fear Mr. —— has a heart of flint; if otherwise, he ought to make an effort to secure for my family at least a portion of the 1,500 dollars which I only invested through his representations. Would you please, generally, to show him this note. It is the last request of one now numbered with the dead. WM. A. WILKER.

The other letter is addressed to his wife's sister, "Miss Indiana Shanahan, care of Mrs. Mary A. Wilker, 413 G street, Washington, D. C.," and on the inside envelope was written the following: "Read the inside letter yourself, better go away from home to do it. The letter reads:

Dear Puss: When this comes to your hand I will be no more in this world. I have been of late unfortunate in everything I undertook, being persecuted by that detestable Major ——, who has taken the bread from the mouths of my family. I am too old for hard work or to commence something new, and it is impossible for me to stand the sneers of those who have worked my ruin. Break the sad news to Mary gently, and may the Lord protect her in her hour of sorrow. O my dear children, to part from them is hard indeed. Mary will be entirely helpless; assist her in commencing a new life. I have written to Gen. Zielin to do for her all he can. You will have, of course, to sell all you can spare and take a smaller house. I cannot say or write anymore but to say that the Lord may protect you.

Your unfortunate friend,

WILLIAM A. WILKER.

There was also among his effects a receipt of the Harden Express Company, dated Norfolk, June 13, for one package valued at $100, addressed to his wife which is likely was given for his watch, which his wife received yesterday, and this would show that he must have left Baltimore last Friday evening.

The jury rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death by his own hands, by shooting himself through the head, while laboring under a temporary depression of spirits, caused by an unfortunate speculation.

The deceased had been a sergeant in the marines for 20 years past, and at the outbreak of the rebellion he held a similar position to the one he has held here at the Norfolk navy yard, but being a loyal man, when many of the marines there stationed, united with the rebels, he made his way to this city, bringing nothing but his clothes, and sent for his family subsequently. He resided on E street, between Sixth and Seventh streets, and leaves a wife and two children—bright twin boys, at 12 years of age. He was about 54 years of age, a native of Pennsylvania, and a member of Syracusan Lodge, No. 10, Knights of Pythias; Naval Lodge, No. 4, of Masons, and of the Schutzen Verein, and among the many with whom he associated he was generally esteemed.

THE CASE OF A. H. REED, arrested a few days since by Mr. Fred. Depro, General Post Office agent, on the charge of having defrauded several postmasters out of money, by means of circulars sent them, asking an enclosure of $5 each, as already explained in the REPUBLICAN, came up for a rehearing before Justice D. R. Smith, at police headquarters, at 6 p. m. yesterday.

Some additional evidence was elicited from Mr. Depro, when the case was argued, on behalf the Government, by Mr. J. E. Norris, and for the defendant by Mr. Hinkle.

At the close of the case Justice Smith announced that he would hold the case under consideration until 6 p. m. to-day; and, in the meantime, he would hold accused to bail.

NEWS FROM THE UNITED STATES STEAMER MAUMEE.—The United States steamer Maumee, Lieutenant Commander William B. Cushing, which sailed from the Washington navy yard in November last, arrived at Batavia, Java, on the 18th of April last, and left on the 22d for Hong Kong, China. Officers and crew all well.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EXAMINATION.—The examinations of the public schools was continued yesterday, the following schools being appointed for examination on that day: Female intermediate No. 3, of the Second district, Mrs. Myers teacher, vs. Mr. Hines. In the First district primaries, Mr. Miss Walker, by Mr. Wilson; No. 5, Miss Hawkins, by Mr. Hastings; No. 4, Miss Stables, by Mr. Brown. In the second, primaries, No. 4, Miss Caton, by Mr. Woodward; No. 6, Miss Olcott, by Mr. Fox. Third district, No. 3, Miss Walters, by Mr. Mackey; No. 6, Miss Armistead, by Mr. Walsh; No. 7, Miss Gray, by Mr. Johnson. Fourth district, No. 5, Miss Milburn, by Mr. Cropper; No. 8, Miss Peyton, by Mr. Aldwell, and No. 7, Miss Garrett, by Mr. Stephenson.

The examination of the Second Female Intermediate No. 2, took place at the pleasant room at the school-house on H street, near Seventh street. The room had been appropriately decorated for the purpose; garlands of flowers, floral anchors, bouquets, &c., adorned the room and made the air redolent with the sweet perfume of flowers.

The scholars, some sixty in number, fresh and fair as the flowers, were nearly all in their seats, and preserved excellent order throughout the entire exercises, although sorely tempted by a crowd of noisy lads outside, whose rudeness was a serious annoyance to the exercises. Despite the rebukes and efforts of Mr. Woodward, they persisted in creating a noise which sometimes nearly drowned the voices of the girls. We have no doubt the police will see that the coming examinations are not subject to this annoyance.

We were glad to see a very considerable number of the parents and friends of the pupils present. Nothing can be more beneficial than the exhibition of interest on such occasions on the part of the elders. They owe it to their children and the public school system, to sustain, by an active co-operation, the efforts of the school board.

The examination was conducted by Messrs. Rhees and Woodward. It consisted in oral exercises in spelling, readings from the school readers, questions in mental arithmetic, and slate exercises in written arithmetic and geography. While on the latter study, Mr. Woodward closed his examination at the termination of the geography of the United States, saying that he supposed that they had gone so further than that.

(A little boy of twelve summers, *sotto voce*. He must think we don't know anything.)

These examinations were interspersed with vocal music under the leadership of Professor Daniels, in which the pupils showed how well they have profited by his training. No portion of the public money is better spent than the stipend for which Mr. Daniels sets the city laborers, and sends melody to the ears of childhoods.

The girls sang "The Eagle," "The Water Lily," "When Parting from our Childhood's Home," with effect.

In penmanship or pen-woman-ship the following girls were pronounced by Mr. Rhees to have excelled: Mary Graham, Emma Bishop, Ella L. Higgins, B. Wood; A. E. McClellan, A. Bacon, E. Richards, L. Topham, P. Peterson, C. Cassidy, A. Milan, Kate Johnson, M. Pearson, R. Fywell and several others.

Mr. Rhees expressed at the close of the examination his gratification at the progress of the pupils, saying that it reflected much credit on Mrs. Myers, their teacher. He hoped to see many of the scholars in the grammar schools next year.

Mr. Wood came here *amicus curæ*, a friend of the schools. He likes to go to girls schools. He loved the girls, there was no mistake about that; it had been his failing all his life. (Laughter.) He related several excellent anecdotes relative to the schools, and expressed the opinion that most of the faults of the school children were owing to their parents. He read a note from a little girl who was here at the written examination, but who, being stricken down by congestive fever, sent a note expressing her regret at not being able to be present.

The exercises were closed by singing, after which the pupils separated. The reporter makes his bow for a bouquet.

The primary schools all passed excellent examinations, with great credit to their teachers, in the rudimentary branches.

Yesterday morning primary school No. 5, Second district, was examined by Mr. Wm. K. Woodward, one of the trustees. Miss Caton is the teacher. The pupils on the roll number 63, all boys, ranging in age from six to ten years. But three were absent, and they on account of sickness. Mr. Woodward expressed himself highly pleased with the proficiency of the little boys, and justly complimented the efforts of their teacher.

BASE BALL—OLYMPIC VS. MARYLAND.—On Monday afternoon the Maryland base ball club, of Baltimore, played a match game of base ball with the Olympic base ball club, of this city, on the grounds south of the President's house. The game was an interesting and exciting one, and was heartily contested by both clubs. At the close of the game the Marylanders led their competitors by three runs, as will be seen by the following score:

OLYMPIC.	O.	R.	B.	MARYLAND.	O.	R.	B.
Force, s.	4	1	1	Hooper, 2d b.	4	1	1
Denison, 1 b.	1	3	3	O. Lilly, 3 b.	4	3	3
Malone, 2 b.	1	4	2	Cope, p.	3	4	4
Robinson, c. f.	3	2	1	Keerl, c.	3	2	2
Beach, c.	2	2	2	Doyle, c. f.	3	2	2
Young, 3 b.	3	2	2	Annan, s. s.	2	2	2
Seymour, 2 b.	3	1	1	Worthington, l. f.	3	1	1
McGowan, l. f.	3	2	1	Wilson, 1 b.	1	4	4
Leech, p.	3	1	1	Barrett, 2 b.	1	1	1
Total	16	15		Total	19	20	

INNINGS.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Olympic	0	1	3	0	1	0	3	2	5	—16
Maryland	2	4	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	—20

Fly catches—Force, 3; Denison, 1; Malone, 2; Robinson, 4; Beach, 2; Young, 2; Seymour, 1; McGowan, 1; Total, 7.

Assisted by Force, 2; Malone, 3; Beach, 1; Leech, 1.

Put out by Lilly, 2; Keerl, 1; Wilson, 4; Barrett, 1. Total by Maryland, 8; assisted by Keerl, 3; Doyle, 1; Annan, 4.

Out on fouls—Olympic, 3; Maryland, 7.

Number of bases on hits—Olympic, 26; Maryland, 29.

Total errors of play—Olympic, 20; Maryland, 16.

Clean home run—Denison.

Time of game, 3 hours.

Umpire—M. N. Urell, Union base ball club.

Scorers—J. F. Allen and C. S. Birch.

PIONEERS, ALEXANDRIA, VS. JEFFERSON. Yesterday afternoon the Pioneer club, of Alexandria, played a game with the Jefferson club, of this city, which resulted in a defeat of the Pioneers by a score of 32 to 43 runs. The Jefferson boys handsomely entertained their guests at Gasch's, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Fifteenth street, last evening, after which they returned to "old Virginny."

BURIAL OF COL. J. S. WILLIAMS.—The funeral of the remains of Col. Williams took place from his late residence, No. 31 Pennsylvania avenue, near Twenty-second street, at 1 o'clock p. m. yesterday, and it was largely attended by his late friends and relatives. The funeral service took place at the Church of the Ascension, on H street; under the direction of Rev. Mr. Jackson, rector of Christ's church. The pall-bearers were: J. Carroll Brent, esq., Dr. J. B. Blake, Lewis Johnson, esq., Chauncey Bestor, esq., Col. Skinner, Assistant Postmaster General; Col. John Hanson, ex-M. C. from Maryland; Gen. Roger Weightman and James S. Holliday, esq. The coffin was a plain walnut one, on the lid of which was placed a wreath of Japonicas and other rare and choice flowers. The remains were interred in Glenwood cemetery, the members of the Oldest Inhabitants Association being at the church to see the funeral cortage leave. Messrs. Harvey & Co. were the undertakers.

SEWERAGE BIDS.—Yesterday, at noon, Mr. Forsyth, Superintendent and Inspector of Sewers, opened, in the presence of Mayor Bowen, at his office in the City Hall, bids for the extensive sewerage in the First ward, provided for by a late act of the Councils:

The bids for the first section were as follows: Robey & King, $3.25 per foot for main sewer; $1.90 for laterals; $1.30 for traps; $20 for grates; and $100 for manholes. Marcellus Little, $3.95, $2.25, $1.95, $25, $45. James Chapman, $3.74, $3.05, $2.00, $65, $100. John Chapman, $3.08, $3.98, $1.80, $65, $67.

Second section—M. Little, $3.95, $2.25, $1.95, $25, $45. King & Robey, $4, $3.20, $1.35, $60, $100.

Third section—James Chapman, $4.12, $3.28, $2.04, $75, $85. John Chapman, $4.28, $3, $1.90, $60, $60.

There were several informal bids, which were not considered.

THE AIR LINE ROUTE FROM WASHINGTON.—In the Senate yesterday, Mr. Sherman introduced three House bills, providing for the incorporation in separate companies of an "airline" railroad between New York and Washington; also, a railroad between Washington and Cleveland, and also a railroad between Washington and Cincinnati, making them all subject to the same general provisions. The bills were referred to a committee of seven Senators, which the Chair shall have power to appoint.

THE YACHTING SEASON.—Growing out of the contest of Monday last, we understand that the owners of the yachts John T. Ford and Mamie have entered their boats for another race to-day, for a purse of $50, and deposited the money at the club rooms, Sixth street. The contest will begin between 10 and 11 o'clock, and, from present appearances, will prove to be one of the most interesting boat races that has yet taken place. Other boats may enter before the time of starting.

RAZOR CUTTING AFFAIR.—Yesterday afternoon, a colored man by the name of Baker, and belonging to the sporting fraternity, was cut across the forehead, while lying asleep in a house on C street, by a razor in the hands of a mulatto woman, his mistress, she being jealous of his attentions to another of his female friends. His wound, which was not dangerous, was dressed by Dr. Buckley, at Dr. Entwisle's drug store, corner Pennsylvania avenue and Twelfth street.

THE WASHINGTON BRIDGE.—In the Senate yesterday, Mr. Harlan presented the report of the Secretary of the Interior appointed under a resolution of the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, on the influence of the Washington canal on the health of the population of Washington city, which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia, and ordered to be printed.

The report is very elaborate, and is signed by Richard Rush, Henry, U. S. A., for the Committee of the Regents. It opens with a history of the canal from its origin, and, referring to the proposed action of Congress in granting the privilege of the same to a private corporation, it says: "The committee concurs in the opinion of the Mayor of the city, that the proposed grant of the canal to a private corporation would be a grievous injury to the inhabitants of the city, and would defeat the much-desired object of both Congress and the community of securing health to the city."

The committee learns from the Mayor of the city that it is proposed to extend the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, from Georgetown through the city, to the deep water along the Eastern Branch, with the view of establishing a shipping port for large vessels, and depot for Cumberland coal, thus sharing with Georgetown and Alexandria the profits of this branch of industry. The prospect is one to which the city should properly look for projection, provided it does not interfere with the general health of the city or works necessary for promoting the health of the inhabitants. The committee considers that a canal for such a purpose or any other, through the city, should not look down to tide water until it has first been entirely through the city, and recommends that neither the existing canal, the proposed modifications or transfers of the existing canal to any private corporation, be approved by Congress unless the subject of public health and sewerage be first provided for, and insured against all hindrance or interruption for all time to come, and that no sewerage matter be allowed to enter any open canal whatever, within the limits of the District of Columbia.

After speaking of the deleterious effect of the existing canal upon the health of the inhabitants of the city, the committee say that "they are of opinion that the canal as it now exists is a great nuisance, for breeding and propagating disease, and should at the earliest possible moment be filled up and discontinued for use as a sewer and reservoir for excrement and waste waters of kitchens, water-closets, laundries, and other sources of contaminating matter."

The committee recommend that the sewers of the city empty in the Potomac river below the Long bridge to be carried across the canal, or closed aqueducts or conveyways, at the most advantageous levels above high water, and thence under the ground south of the canal to suitable places on the bank of the river, where closed and covered reservoirs may be constructed to retain the sewerage until the ebb tide makes, when gates or valves will be opened to allow it to escape into the river under the water surface.

The present canal should then cease to be used for any other purpose than an escape for the waters of the Tiber during extraordinary freshets, and for such surface drainage as may not be carried across it into the sewers leading to the Potomac, and to this end must be reduced in size and form to an arched culvert. The proposed canal, for commercial purposes, with an outlet at the Eastern branch, should, in like manner, be carried over the valley of the present canal as an aqueduct or causeway, and then through or along the high grounds to the Eastern branch.

MASS-MEETING OF THE FIRST WARD REPUBLICANS.—The First Ward Republicans met last night in the spacious building of the Theological Institute building, corner Twenty-second and I streets, with Henry Himber, esq., in the chair, and Wm. H. Lewis, secretary.

The Chair stated that they met for the purpose of receiving names to be recommended for ward officers. The following names were offered and received:

Wm. Schooley, for scavenger north of Pennsylvania avenue; Charles H. Joy, for market master; Albert S. Grant, for a position with one of the garbage carts; Henry Payten, market master; John A. Loudon, messenger to his Honor, the Mayor, or Board of Aldermen; Wm. White, scavenger south side of Pennsylvania avenue; Mr. Cornelius Clark, commissioner; Sergeant Summers, a one-armed soldier, for the same; also, Wm. H. Lewis; Nicholas Oliver, scavenger south side Pennsylvania avenue; Samuel Draper, commissioner, endorsed by Geo. P. Fridy, esq., in a letter to Hon. R. J. Bowen, Mayor; Samuel Fridy, esq., for the same position; Sam'l Leary, garbage gatherer south side of Pennsylvania avenue; Enoch Perry, plumber; Dr. Brennan, ward physician for the poor; Wm. Cooke, clerk of the market; Wm. M. Rieve, esq., appraiser; Dr. Hodgson, same; Jas. Day, market clerk, or inspector and sealer of weights and measures; Mr. Henry Himber, clerk to the water registrar.

The following resolution was offered and adopted by a unanimous votes:

Resolved, That we, the citizens of the First ward, do hereby express our gratification for the recommendation of John Clark by the Hon. James Harlan, and do declare the same to be our conviction in regard to the worthiness of Mr. Clark.

Mr. John F. Cook offered the following, which was also unanimously adopted:

Whereas on the evening of June 20, 1868, as a procession of Republican citizens were proceeding to serenade the honorable Mayor elect of the city, Sayles J. Bowen, certain parties having made an attack on said line of procession by firing into its ranks a volley of stones; and whereas said assault was returned in kind by parties not in line, but following said procession, whereby damage was done the property of Mr. Kloczewski, an apothecary, doing business at the corner of H and Seventh streets; and whereas the said Mr. Kloczewski being in novise responsible for said assault made on said procession moving orderly to serenade Mr. Bowen.

Be it resolved, By the First Ward Republican Club, that while regretting that any damage should occur while any number of Republicans of this ward should be moving in procession, and disclaiming any intention of violence towards any citizen, that three citizens of the ward be appointed to wait upon Mr. Kloczewski and ascertain the amount of damage done his property, and the same be paid out of the funds of the ward club.

Adjourned.

DROWNED BODY FOUND.—Yesterday morning, about 9 o'clock, it was reported at the Fourth ward station-house that the drowned body of a colored man had been found at the foot of O street, (at Eddy's wharf.) Sergeant Bull, with several of his officers, immediately repaired to the place, and found the report correct. Justice Mossey, acting coroner, was sent for, and appeared in a short time, when he summoned a jury of inquest, with Sergeant Bull as foreman.

Capt. Lemuel Jones, of Baltimore, testified that it was the body of John Wesley Lee, colored, a cook of his schooner, who was from Hartford county, Md.; leaves a wife and child in Cecil county, Md., and was about 40 years of age. On last Saturday the deceased asked him for some money, when he gave him $10; that being 50 cents more than was due him, he went ashore and purchased a suit of clothing, and returned to the vessel very much intoxicated.

A dog had chased a cat up among the rigging of the vessel, and Lee, while trying to get her down, accidentally fell overboard, between the vessel and the wharf and disappeared immediately. The captain ran to the place with a stick of wood supposing that the body would raise; but it did not, and afterwards used every possible means to obtain the body, but in vain.

Geo. Freeman and Chas. Waite, both colored, who were present at the time, on being sworn corroborated the captain's statement. When he drowned he had on his new suit, and the captain insisted on him to let the cat alone, but with an oath said that he was determined to have her down.

The jury rendered a verdict that John Wesley Lee, colored, came to his death on last Saturday, the 13th instant, as above stated. The body was buried by the corporation.

EXAMINATIONS OF COLORED SCHOOLS.—On Tuesday last, at 9 o'clock a. m., A. E. Newton, esq., Superintendent of Colored Schools, accompanied by the Rev. John Kimbell, Superintendent of Colored Schools, under the auspices of the Freedmen's Bureau, visited the three graded schools, corner of Twenty-fourth and F streets, near the Observatory. The first or primary school, is taught by Miss Fleet, and numbers 49 pupils, of which 46 were present, who were examined in reading, spelling, arithmetic, counting and geography; all of which they executed with the greatest ability, as they did also some choice selections of music. The second one is taught by Miss Kiger, and passed an excellent examination in the following branches: Reading, spelling, arithmetic and geography. Total number of scholars 61, there being 60 present.

The third or Intermediate and Grammar school, taught by Miss Groves, numbers 43, of which 23 were present, and acquitted themselves in an able manner in reading, writing, mental arithmetic and geography, the latter being specially good. Owing to the intense heat and for the want of time they had to omit their recitations in grammar, history and several other branches. There were several pieces of choice music played on the organ, which was accompanied by voices that no child need to be ashamed of.

All of these teachers are colored, and have succeeded in their labors greatly to their credit.

CONSERVATIVE COUNCILS.—The Boards of Aldermen and Common Council (conservative wing) met last night, but without transacting any business, took a recess until 7 o'clock this evening.

GEN. MEIGS having again resumed his duties as Quartermaster General, Gen. D. H. Rucker, who in his absence has been acting Quartermaster General, will, it is said, be ordered to Philadelphia on the 1st of July to relieve Col. Crossman.

GENTLEMEN'S LINEN COATS for $1.25 and $1.50. Boys' Linen Suits for $2. Gentlemen's Linen Duck and Drill Suits for $3. You get them of George C. Hensling, No. 311 Seventh street.

HEAVY REAL ESTATE SALE.—Yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Messrs. Cooper & Latimer, auctioneers, sold a valuable real estate, the residence of the late Washington Berry, known as Metropolis View, and being opposite Glenwood cemetery, about one mile north of the city. This estate is on a commanding eminence, overlooking the national capital and forms a good adjunct to the Potomac river. The entire tract comprises about 200 acres of prime land, a fair proportion of which is elegant timber land. It was divided into 34 lots, to suit purchasers. Lot 20 is improved by a comfortable frame building and stable; lot 33 a frame dwelling, and lot 31 a large and commodious first-class brick dwelling in good condition—the residence of the late Washington Berry—containing thirteen large and airy rooms, with four rooms in the basement. Also, brick stable, carriage-house, and other necessary outbuildings, with a fine pump of water near the house. The grounds around the dwelling have been tastefully laid out with carriage drives and walks, and beautifully arranged with cedars and other evergreens. There is also a fine peach orchard and other fruits.

The sale was peremptory, and the lots sold at the following rates: Lots Nos. 1 and 2, containing 3 acres 1 roods and 10 perches each, to R. Zeebers, at $600 per acre; lots 3 and 4, 10 acres 2 roods and 27 perches, to Eliza T. Berry, at $225 per acre; lots 5, 6 and 7, containing 16 acres 2 roods and 35 perches, to W. D. Davidge, at $300 per acre; lots 8 and 9, 11 acres and 15 perches, to Eliza T. Berry, at $250 per acre; lot 30, 9 acres and 19 perches, to J. A. Middleton, at $250 per acre; lot 31, 11 acres 1 rood and 11 perches, to W. D. Davidge, at $325 per acre; lot 12, 9 acres 2 roods and 12 perches, to T. C. Gangruder, at $300 per acre; lot 13, 8 acres 3 roods and 20 perches, to Eliza T. Berry, at $275 per acre; lot 15, 10 acres, to same, at $225 per acre; lot 16, 10 acres 1 rood and 21 perches, to J. A. Middleton, at $225 per acre; lot 17, 8 acres 3 roods and 26 rods, to same, at $225 per acre; lot 18, 7 acres 3 roods and 7 perches, to W. D. Davidge, at $250 per acre; lot 19, 8 acres 1 rood and 34 perches, to same, at $250 per acre; lots 20, 21 and 22, 22 acres 3 roods and 3 perches, to J. A. Middleton, at $200 per acre; lot 26, 9 acres and 30 rods, to same, at $225 per acre; lot 28, 12 acres 1 rood and 27 perches, to John Maguire, at $250 per acre; lot 29, 15 acres 2 roods and 12 perches, to George Miller, at $175 per acre; lot 30, 16 acres 3 roods and 34 perches, to E. F. Berry, at $175 per acre; lot 31, 20 acres 2 roods and 20 perches, (with improvements,) to A. L. Berry, at $425 per acre; lot 32, 11 acres 3 roods and 8 perches, to Eliza T. Berry, at $250 per acre; lot 33, 13 acres 3 roods and 20 perches, to M. Connor, at $225 per acre; lot 34, 21 acres 1 rood and 20 perches, to M. E. Johnson, at $175 per acre; lot 35, 13 acres 2 roods and 34 perches, to R. E. Berry, at $250 per acre; lot 36, 21 acres 1 rood and 30 perches, to J. A. Middleton, at $175 per acre.

CAPITULATION OF A GALLANT MAJOR.—The Thirteenth street Baptist church, last night, was the scene of a very interesting event—particularly so to those meditating emigration into the future state, and obeying the divine injunction—it being the occasion of the union, in wedlock, of Major George G. Leonard, of the army, of the Statistical Bureau, Treasury Department, to Miss Carrie Stewart, of the Monumental city. Quite a gay assembly of friends of both sexes were present to witness the tying of the gordon knot, which was performed in the most impressive manner by the Rev. Dr. Fuller, of Baltimore.

The happy couple were waited upon by Mr. Frederick Stewart and the beautiful spiritual Miss Judd, in whose lovely face there is impressed the graces of the "First Nine."

Now is the time for make up parties for the watering places, and we advise all the lads and lasses to "go and do likewise."

BURIAL OF THE REMAINS OF MR. RYON.—The remains of Mr. Richard J. Ryon, on E street, next door to Temperance Hall, were interred in Glenwood cemetery, yesterday afternoon. Mr. Anthony Buchly undertaker. Mr. Ryon was in his 51st year, and died of consumption. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. R. Payton Brown, Foundry M. E. church. Mr. Ryon was a native of the State of Maryland, about 25 years since, and was long a leading merchant of this city. His wife was buried about two years since. The pall-bearers yesterday were Messrs. Wm. Jackson, R. B. Clark, J. T. Mitchell, Brown, W. J. Sibley, and B. H. Stinemets.

FUNERAL OF MISS GEORGIE L. FORCE.—Yesterday, at 5 o'clock, p. m., the funeral of the remains of Miss Georgie L. Force, eldest daughter of Wm. G. Force, esq., took place from the residence of her father, No. 476 Tenth street. The corpse was encased in a handsome rosewood coffin, finely decorated with silver trimmings, and on the lid a wreath of pure white and rare flowers. The funeral service was participated in by Rev. Dr. A. D. Gillette, pastor of the Thirteenth street Baptist church, Rev. Dr. Hill, and Rev. Dr. Samson, president, assisted by the clergy. The pall-bearers were Dr. Gill, and Messrs. Clarke, McMurray, Hattingly, Ayer, and Lynch.

The remains were carried to Glenwood cemetery by Messrs. Harvey & Co., and followed by a large concourse of mourning relatives and friends. The corpse has been placed in the vault, and will, hereafter, be removed to Rock Creek church, where several of the family have been laid. Deceased was about 24 years of age, and died of consumption.

REAL ESTATE SALES.—Messrs. Cooper & Latimer, auctioneers, yesterday sold part of lot 1, in square 54, situated on the west side of Twenty-second street, between G and H streets north, with the improvements, to F. D. Stuart for $995. Also, lot 8, in subdivision of square 624, containing 2,850 feet, to John J. Byrnes, at 21 cents per foot, this lot being in the same square with the Government printing office.

POTOMAC FERRY.—Captain Samuel Gedney has been fully associated with Mr. S. S. Howison in the future management of the Potomac Ferry Company. Capt. Gedney has for some time past been the popular, experienced and efficient superintendent of the company, and his increased authority in the management of the company's affairs will, we are sure, result beneficially to all parties.

MR. WILLIAM SMITH has just returned from New York with an elegant stock of straw hats, which he is prepared to sell at twenty-five per cent. below the usual prices. A visit to his well-known store at 311 Ninth street, between D and Pennsylvania avenue will prove the truth of this assertion. Mr. Smith is also the agent of Singer's Noiseless Sewing Machine, which recently took the premium at the New York State fair.

WAITER JACKETS, all sizes, good quality, $1.75, at A. SAKS and Co.'s, 517 Seventh street, between Pennsylvania avenue and D street.

THE COURTS.

CRIMINAL COURT—*Judge Wylie.*—This court resumed its session yesterday.

Wm. Richards and James Gozier were excused from service on the petit jury.

ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND JURY.

Edw. Simms, esq., was appointed foreman of the grand jury.

The Court then charged the grand jury, stating succinctly and forcibly the duties devolved upon them.

Adjourned.

EQUITY COURT—*Judge Olin.*—This court made the following orders yesterday:

Fritz vs. Sprigman. Decree for specific performance of contract to exchange lots in Washington city for lands in Fairfax county, Va.

Pumphrey vs. Pumphrey et al. Decree *pro confesso* and of allowance.

McCliery vs. McCliery. Order of reference to C. Ingle.

Gahan vs. Green. Decree appointing F. Miller trustee to sell.

Cowall vs. Hanna. Decree for issue of commission for partition.

Adjourned.

CIRCUIT COURT—*Judge Fisher.*—This court transacted the following business yesterday:

Landreth & Son vs. Barnard & Dougal. Action of debt to recover certain moneys due by the late firm for merchandise. The defence by Dougal being "accord and satisfaction." It was shown in evidence that Landreth took the note of Barnard in "settlement" of all account, and that such settlement was to be considered full satisfaction.

The jury gave a verdict for the plaintiff.

Ellis vs. Jones. Judgment by default stricken out on motion of Mr. McPherson.

McPherson, executor, vs. Marbury. Judgment confessed.

Norris vs. Gooding. Judgment by default—N. H. Miller.

After some unimportant business, the court adjourned.

ORPHANS' COURT—*Judge Purcell.*—This court transacted the following business yesterday:

LAST WILLS.

The last will of Lewis Brawner, of this city, leaving his property to his family, was filed for probate.

The will of Wm. O. Lumsden, of Georgetown, who bequeathed his property to his family, was also filed.

The will of Wm. Clark, of this city, leaving his estate to his family and twelve seventeenths of his Alexandria corporation stock to St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum, was filed for probate.

The last will of Owen Munson, leaving his estate to his family, was filed for probate.

ACCOUNTS.

Account of J. H. Repp's guardian, H. C. Spaulding's administrator, of the guardian of S. Brunson's orphans, of the collector of Sarah Edelin's estate, and of John McDuell's executrix, were filed and approved.

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY.

William Hogan qualified as administrator of Sarah Hogan, giving bail in $20,000, with E. F. James and W. V. Mercer as sureties.

GUARDIANS.

Eilen McFadden qualified as guardian of her children's estate, giving bond in $1,500, with J. S. Kersey and George Wright as sureties.

Adjourned.

TRUSSES.—"Seeley's Hard Rubber Truss" cures Rupture, retains the most difficult safely and easily; never rusts, breaks, moves or galls; always new. Sold by all druggists. Send for pamphlet. 1347 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

GEORGETOWN MATTERS.

ORDERS for the NATIONAL REPUBLICAN in Georgetown may be left at the bookstores of Messrs. T. M. K. Mills & Co., (late Crandell's,) 125 Bridge street, or at Messrs. G. T. Gray & Co.'s, 106 Bridge street, where copies of the REPUBLICAN may be obtained daily.

TURTLE EXPRESS.—Mr. R. E. Pugitt, of the "White House," on High street, next to the canal, is justly obtaining the title of "Turtle King." Within a day or two past Mr. P. has received and slaughtered about twenty-five of the finest snappers yet seen in this market, and the quality of soup into which they have been converted has received the commendation of *connoisseurs*.

A DELIGHTFUL PIC-NIC.—The Sunday school scholars attached to Trinity (Methodist) church formed in procession yesterday morning and marched to Green Springs, where they spent the day in picnic enjoyment. The grounds were alive with innocent hilarity, and all seemed inspired with the fullest happiness.

DROWNED.—A colored man, named John Lee, belonging to the schooner Forward, Capt. Jones, fell from the schooner A. Pearsey, lying at Wheatley's wharf on Saturday night, and was drowned. The body was found yesterday floating in the river, near O street wharf, and the coroner notified to hold an inquest. The deceased belonged to Baltimore.

UNMAILABLE LETTERS.—There are letters in the post office here addressed to the following persons, held for want of postage: Susan Lemmon, New York city; Mary Winnefred Haney, Point of Rocks; Washington Williams, Annapolis, Md.; Mrs. Charles T. Gray, Newark, N. J.; James McLaughlin, New York.

DRESS GOODS.—The attention of our readers is directed to the fine display of dress silk (Moire Antique) at the emporium of Ross & Bicksler, No. 75 High street, under Forrest Hall. Their goods are offered at greatly reduced prices, besides a full line of general dry goods and seasonable straw goods.

SOMETHING NEW.—The most seasonable and palatable thing we know of at this time is the new article in the confection line, called "Frozen Lemonade." It is truly delicious, and pronounced by physicians superior to cold or mineral water. Mr. Fred. Freund, No. 475 Bridge street, is the inventor, and, like everything else he originates, is first-class.

THE JONAS CLASON.—The steamer John Gibson, Capt. Wheaton, arrived from New York yesterday with her usual full cargo of assorted merchandise.

LUMBER.—The schooner Peal, from Port Deposit, Md., has arrived with a cargo of lumber consigned to Francis Wheatley & Son.

ALEXANDRIA MATTERS.

☞ MR. SAMUEL D. MASKELL