LOCAL AFFAIRS

NOTICES OF NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Seventeenth District Regular Republican Club will meet this evening.

LATIMER & CLEARY, auctioneers, will sell on Monday morning, September 16, at 10 o'clock, a superior collection of furniture.

A LIGHT BROWN GRAYHOUND has been lost.

A RUSSIA LEATHER POCKET-BOOK has been lost. A reward is offered for the same.

MRS. MARY A. CURRIE, of Baltimore, will give lessons in vocal music.

J. H. KUHLING has received a large lot of double and single barrel guns.

JOHN T. ANDERSON, wholesale packer and dealer in Potomac shad and herring.

HORY, H. GRAHAM has on hand a large number of new and second hand carriages.

A MASS-MEETING of the Republicans of the Fourteenth district will be held to-morrow evening.

R. I. FLEMING is the Liberal Republican candidate for the House of Delegates from the Ninth district.

THE steamer Lady of the Lake will leave her wharf for Piney Point and Point Lookout Saturday evening on the Plate Printers' Union excursion.

ITALIAN, French, Spanish and German taught by Prof. F. Gaffino.

REV. ALBERT BOURNE is an independent candidate for the House of Delegates from the Fifteenth district.

AMUSEMENTS.

The Theatre Comique.

Fritz Bowerbull, a Dutch justice, represented by J. S. Knight, at first in the programme, delighted the fine audience at the Theatre Comique last night. It was the ladies' night, and very many of them were present, and they enjoyed the rich fun on the stage, from which no word, look, act or gesture could possibly offend the most fastidious. After Dick Parker, with his old banjo, the arch and fascinating Lu Delmay came on with her selection of songs. This brilliant young lady has established a reputation in her favor here.

The patrons of the theatre have acknowledged that she has talent, and now they will be most exacting in their requirements. We want good things from Lu Delmay they are expected. Her star is in the ascendant. It depends upon herself whether it is kept there or not. Sadler's "Freedman" is beyond praise. It is the very perfection of art. Otto Bartank's sketches were much enjoyed, and in "Schneider's Courtship" Miss Apt appeared to increasing advantage. One or two things came to the surface in Miller Beall's performance of old Smyrel's character, in the "Loan of a Lover," that were terribly provoking. We simply say that genius is a sort of a human thing, and suffers wrong like human things. Mr. Beall can win laurels. It is easier to reap thistles. Peter Spyke (Mr. Milburn) was better, but more business of him is demanded in the part. Miss Taylor, as Gertrude, played the role in acceptable style, and was deservedly applauded. Miss Addie Johnson made a hit in the farce of "A Good Night's Rest."

And now another word for the Theatre Comique. The audience was, in every respect, a first-class one, and their genuine applause throughout the evening is an evidence of its good management.

CITY SMALL TALK.

The cars are now running as far east as the Wallach building, and Navy Yarders are glad.

L. A. Bartlett's solid gold pig has a comforting view inside for Greeley's friends.

The Universalists look forward to a good time this evening at their festivale, to be held at the house of Mr. Gove.

Company B, Washington Light Infantry, will be entertained at Ford's opera-house, in Baltimore, to-morrow night.

The Southern Republican Association held a meeting at their rooms last night, and transacted some routine business.

Several old gentlemen, having wakened up yesterday from a long sleep, viewed with amazement the public improvements going on near the city post office.

Monday morning, "Bleak House," the country residence of Hon. Alexander R. Shepherd, was made to look shiny. As he opened his eyes for the first time in this world he exclaimed, "What a broad and comprehensive plan!"

Tom Shaller, of the S. S. D., starts on a trip through the North to-morrow night. Tom cannot be spared long, and his day of return will be cordially welcomed.

Members of the Ohio Republican Association who desire to obtain tickets at reduced rates to visit Ohio for the election in that State can obtain them by applying to A. M. Clangewer, chief clerk Third Auditor's office, Treasury.

Mr. D. L. Setke, the German teacher in the public schools, has returned from an extended tour through Europe, and besides attending to his regular duties, will in a few days receive pupils for his private class.

Funeral of the Late Christopher Cammack.

The funeral of the late Christopher Cammack, sr., took place yesterday afternoon, from the Thirteenth street Baptist church, and besides the many different tinders of which he was formerly a member, a large concourse of friends were present to pay a parting tribute of respect to the memory of a most worthy citizen. The remains had lain in state during the day at his late residence, and many persons called to take a farewell view of them. The body was incased in a handsome casket, covered with black cloth and adorned with Masonic emblems. Messrs J. T. Given, Andrew Jackson, T. H. Campbell, H. Polkinhorn, A. T. Longley and C. Sinclair were the pall-bearers, and at 4 o'clock carried the remains into the church amidst deathlike silence, after which Rev. M. M. Cuthbert, pastor, made a few remarks, in which he briefly reviewed the life of the deceased and paid a glowing tribute to his worth and excellence. At the conclusion of his remarks the impressive service of the Order of Masons and Odd Fellows was observed and performed by the respective Grand Lodges of both Orders. This being ended the remains were taken to Oak Hill cemetery for interment, followed by the Grand Lodge, F. A. A. M.; St. John's Lodge, No. 11, F. A. A. M.; Columbia Commandery, No. 2, Washington Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templar; Grand Lodge of I. O. O. F., Columbia Encampment, No. 1, and Washington Lodge, No. 3, I. O. O. F., and the Oldest Inhabitants' association. The Masonic choir was in attendance at the church, and during the services rendered the music sent acceptably.

In Memoriam,

At a special meeting of the comrades of Lyon Post, No. 3, Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas it has pleased the Almighty to remove from this life our worthy comrade and associate, W. H. Barron; and whereas we feel deeply the sorrow and grief caused by this sad and early event, and would pay a fitting tribute to his memory; therefore be it

Resolved, That we will cherish in our memories a lasting remembrance of the many virtues of our departed comrade; that we mourn his loss, and will strive to follow and imitate the example of his honorable and exemplary life.

Resolved, That we hereby tender to his bereaved widow our heartfelt sympathies, believing that "He who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb" will also protect and sustain her through all the varied trials and vicissitudes of life.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be properly engrossed and transmitted to the widow of our deceased comrade.

Burglary.

Yesterday morning, about 10 o'clock, during the absence of Mr. Dodge from his residence, No. 1211 Thirteenth street, a notorious white thief named Thomas Robins entered the dwelling by breaking a pane of glass in one of the back windows. The attention of Officer West, of the Sixth police precinct, was called to the fact of his being in the house, and he entered and made search for the thief. After going through all the rooms of the house he espied him in the yard, and before he could lay hands on him he succeeded in scaling the fence into an alley adjoining, from which he made good time to Twelfth street, where he was captured. Upon the return of the officer with his prisoner to the house it was found that he had gone through the wardrobes in the house, and had packed up about $200 worth of clothing. He will be taken before Judge Mills to-day to answer the charge of burglary.

Fire.

At 10 o'clock last night an alarm was turned in from box 74, corner of Maryland avenue and Four-and-a-half street, by Officer Hughes, caused by fire being discovered in an old one-story frame building in the alley in the rear of and belonging to Walter Dudley, located on Maine avenue, between Four-and-a-half and Sixth streets. The building was of little value, and was a storehouse for moulds and patterns that were used in the foundry; and, as there was no light or fire about the place, it is thought that the fire was the work of an incendiary. The fire department was quickly on the ground, and by promptness in getting to work succeeded in extinguishing the flames. The loss is small.

Grand Temperance Basket Picnic

A grand temperance basket picnic will be held at Jackson's Grove on the Baltimore and Potomac railroad to-morrow. The Donaldsonites, Rechabites and other temperance organizations in this city are expected to be present; also of Hamilton and the surrounding country. It bids fair to be a very large gathering of temperance men. There will be speaking by able advocates of the cause, and also music and other amusements to make the day pass off agreeably and pleasant. The Temple of Honor and other temperance organizations are expected to attend in full regalia, and will leave here in the morning train.

Board of Health

A regular meeting of the Board of Health was held last evening; Mr. Mattingly in the chair, and Dr. Hill secretary.

The health officer reported that during the past four days there had been two new cases of smallpox, four cases removed to the hospital, and three deaths.

The health officer also made a report in regard to nuisances, and the number abated.

A report was read from the postmaster in regard to the receipts and expenditures of the period for the last month.

Adjourned.

Turtle Race.

The race between the yacht John T. Given and Fannie Bell for a purse of $250, over a course from Seventh street wharf to Fort Washington and return, takes place to-morrow, and the contest is creating considerable interest among the yachtsmen. Both are fast sailers for second class boats, and both have their favorites. Capt. Eli Thacker, of this city, will sail the John T. Given and Capt. Geo. Lipscomb, of Alexandria, will handle the Fannie Bell.

Jefferson School Building.

In consequence of the delay in the plumbing work and the incomplete condition of the Jefferson school building, the trustees of the public schools of that district have decided to postpone the opening of the schools in that building until Monday morning next.

BAGGER BLUSTER

DANISH DARING!

DID HE MEAN FIGHT?

A LITTLE GAME OF BRAG

Snarling and Snapping at the District Shepherd.

Bagger Seeks Information from the Proprietor of the Republican and Gets It.

He Then Seeks Shepherd and Suggests a Meeting.

Mr. Shepherd Responds.

THE MELANCHOLY DANE IGNORED

Full Account of Our Special Reporter, Accompanied by Our Special Artist, at an Immense Expense, to Baltimore on a Special Train Wherewith we Then Graphically Present What Bagger Said, Didn't Say, Did and Didn't Do

THERE were lots of rumors about town yesterday about a reported correspondence between some one of the employees on Mr. Corcoran's *Patriot* paper and Mr. Alexander R. Shepherd, vice president of the Board of Public Works. Now the bias of anything serious occurring between Mr. Shepherd and "the scribe" seemed so utterly ludicrous to the representative of the REPUBLICAN, that, upon hearing one or two of the stories in circulation, he indulged first in a hearty laugh, and then started for Mr. Shepherd's place of business. And here we must take a retrospect in order that our readers may be fully informed as to all the circumstances of this laughable affair. On Sunday afternoon last, while Mr. Murtagh, the proprietor of the REPUBLICAN, was enjoying a nap after a hearty dinner, there came "a knocking at the door," which, having been answered, a messenger bearing the following letter was discovered:

A SEEKER AFTER INFORMATION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8, 1872.

Mr. W. J. Murtagh, Editor and Proprietor National Republican, Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: I notice from an editorial in yesterday's REPUBLICAN, entitled "The *Patriot* and Alex. Shepherd," that he can readily be found. Presuming, therefore, that you are able to inform me of his whereabouts I shall be obliged to you for the information, as a gentleman has failed to find him after a diligent search yesterday. I await your answer, and remain yours, respectfully, LEWIS BAGGER,

Managing Editor *Patriot*.

Mr. Murtagh, albeit a little vexed at being awakened from his slumbers for such a purpose, and although *en dishabille*, and not having a pencil handy, thought to gratify Mr. Louis Bagger, and thus replied:

THE INFORMATION GIVEN.

MY DEAR SIR: I usually find Mr. S. at his place of business, or at the room of the vice president of the Board of Public Works, on business days. This being Sunday, I presume he is to be found at his country residence. Very respectfully, W. J. MURTAGH.

This note was given the messenger, who departed. Now, when written, Mr. Murtagh did not know that Mr. Shepherd was out of town, or had been out of town, (Mr. S. having returned Sunday morning, and was in reality at his country place,) and gave his questioner such information as he had.

THE CONTINUATION OF CORRESPONDENCE.

Happening to be in Mr. Shepherd's store yesterday morning, Mr. Murtagh mentioned the fact that he had received a letter asking information as to his whereabouts. "Who was it from?" said Alex. "A party by the name of Bagger," replied Mr. M. Mr. Shepherd laughed and threw towards his visitor an open letter, saying "There's a continuation of the correspondence," and here it is, as read by our reporter, who had just entered:

THE SAME PERSON SOUTH AGAIN.

OFFICE DAILY AND WEEKLY PATRIOT, No. 519 11th STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 9, 1872.

Mr. Alexander R. Shepherd, Washington City.

SIR: A controversy of an unpleasant form has arisen between you and the *Patriot*. So far as the cause of that controversy is concerned, I take the entire charge of the paper at the time of its occurrence.

I beg now to say that it has assumed a form that makes it desirable that this discussion should be brought to a close.

With that view I shall be in Baltimore, Md., on Tuesday next, the 10th instant, from 6 a. m. to 7 p. m., at the Eutaw house, where the subject may be considered in more at ease.

Your obedient servant, LOUIS BAGGER.

"Well, who is Bagger?" was the question. "A young gentleman from Denmark—a melancholy blonde, formerly a writer on the Gaulois newspaper in Paris," was the reply. What the object of Bagger's proposed visit to Baltimore was none could conjecture, unless it meant "fight," and as the trick was so transparent that Mr. Corcoran's young man was being made the tool of the triumvirate which controls the columns of the *Patriot*, Mr. Shepherd decided upon his course of action, and prepared the following letter:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 9, 1872.

W. W. Corcoran, esq., Principal Stockholder, and Messrs. J. C. McGuire, W. T. Merrell and W. R. Phillips, Trustees of the Corcoran Building, City.

GENTLEMEN: Under date of the 11th ultimo, I addressed you a communication, in which I quoted from an article published in the *Patriot* of the previous day, entitled "Ice and Fire," contained lies in all its details," and demanded "that you either produce the proof of your assertions or stand branded as malignant liars in the community in which we live."

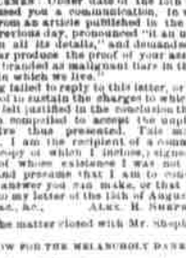
Having failed to reply to this letter, or to produce proof to sustain the charges to which it referred, I felt justified in the conclusion that you had been compelled to accept the unpleasant alternative thus presented. Late morning, however, I am the recipient of a communication, (a copy of which I inclose,) signed by a person of whose existence I was not before aware; and presume that I am to consider it the only answer you can make, or that I may expect, to my letter of the 11th of August.

I am, &c., &c., ALEX. R. SHEPHERD.

Here the matter closed with Mr. Shepherd.

NOW FOR THE MELANCHOLY DANE.

And we have to thank our energetic corps of special reporters and artists for the sketches they have made of the preparatory work of the letter written to Mr. S., as well as the experience of the twilliger on "scribe." "I'll said that in his sanctum just before writing the epistle the Dane appeared in this form and vented his feelings thusly



"AND THIS IS THE WAY THE OLD MAN LOOKED."

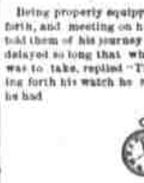
"But it has gone so far, young man, you can't go back; you must go to Baltimore and settle this," said the old gentleman. And so to his boarding house he went to prepare for the journey. He had a little trouble getting ready, caused by an inefficient valet.

AND HERE WAS ONE OF HIS TROUBLES.

But water was finally obtained, ablutions properly performed, and, after he had gone through the preparatory dressing, he

FINISHED HIS TOILET THUSLY.

Being properly equipped "our Dane" sallied forth, and meeting on his way some friends he told them of his journey and his intentions. He delayed so long that when asked what train he was to take, replied "The mail train." Drawing forth his watch he suddenly discovered that he had



BUT A MOMENT TO SPARE.

As he was still some distance from the depot he started off pretty lively, and in order that our readers may know how he looked our artist shows us here how he was

"TAKEN ON THE FLY."

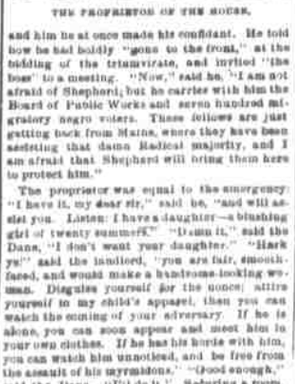
He was in time, however, and made the train just as it was leaving the depot. "Track *Heaven!*" he exclaimed, "I am safe." He hunted by his run he was well satisfied to settle himself in one of the comfortable seats, and was soon in a sweet slumber, which was somewhat disturbed by an unpleasant dream. He dreamed that he was soundly asleep in bed, that Alex. Shepherd, assuming the form of an incubus, was quietly creeping up to slay him "unbeknownst." His dream doubtless was

SOMETHING AFTER THIS STYLE.

Probably our young friend had been eating turtle soup over night. But he was awakened from his slumber by the harsh voice of the brakeman yelling "Baltimore!" Starting forth, he found at the door of the depot

TO ROYAL COACH,

by which he was speedily whirled to the hotel which he had mentioned. Now, why this melancholy youth saw fit to ignore the down-town hotels of Baltimore our reporter could not ascertain. It may have been because he thought it was more retired. We here give an imperfect sketch of



TO EUTAW HOUSE.

The coach having drawn up in proper style, our hero alighted, and proceeding to the office, There found

THE PROPRIETOR OF THE HOUSE,

and him he at once made his confidant. He told how he had boldly "gone to the front," at the bidding of the triumvirate, and invited "the boss" to a meeting. "Now," said he, "I am not afraid of Shepherd; but he carries with him the Board of Public Works and seven hundred migratory negro voters. These fellows are just getting back from Maine, where they have been assisting that damn Radical majority, and I am afraid that Shepherd will bring them here to protect him."

The proprietor was equal to the emergency. "I have it, my dear sir," said he, "and will assist you. Listen: I have a daughter—a blushing girl of twenty summers." "Damn it," said the Dane, "I don't want your daughter." "Hark ye!" said the landlord, "you are fair, smooth-faced, and would make a handsome-looking woman. Disguise yourself for the occasion; attire yourself to my child's apparel, then you can watch the coming of your adversary. If he is alone, you can soon appear and meet him in your own clothes. If he has his horde with him, you can watch him unnoticed, and be free from the assault of his myrmidons." "Good enough," said the Dane. "I'll do it." Securing a room, and him he at once made his confidant. He told how he had boldly "gone to the front," at the bidding of the triumvirate, and invited "the boss" to a meeting. "Now," said he, "I am not afraid of Shepherd; but he carries with him the Board of Public Works and seven hundred migratory negro voters. These fellows are just getting back from Maine, where they have been assisting that damn Radical majority, and I am afraid that Shepherd will bring them here to protect him."

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IN THE FEMALE DISGUISE.

Having arranged himself at one of the corner windows, commanding a view of both Baltimore and Eutaw streets, the presumed young lady employed himself straining his eyes to catch a glimpse of the coming foe.

HE STRAINED HIS EYES IN VAIN,

for the Shepherd did not appear to find the pretended lamb. He waited and waited—the hours rolled on—still he did not come. Finally our hero, becoming exasperated, decided to take that "case" of which he had written, and thus he looked, as he exclaimed:

"FOR THIS RELIEF MUCH THANKS."

The hour of seven o'clock had arrived, no Shepherd had appeared, and "Our Dane," feeling much aggrieved at the insult added to that already heaped upon him, sullenly retired to his room, hastily doffed his disguise, clothed himself in man's attire, called his coach, paid his bill, and returned to this city by the 8:30 p. m. train. So ends this bloodless battle. But that our story may be complete, our artists insist that we show to the public

HOW "THE BOSS" LOOKED WHEN HE READ BAGGER'S LETTER.

And now we have finished, but feel that, in justice to our reporter, who labored so hard to obtain all the facts we have here set before the public, we, at great expense, have had our artist to make a sketch of

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as he appeared in Baltimore, pursuing his investigations in regard to the wanderings of the "Melancholy Dane." It is true he was disgusted with his trip, saying, as he entered our editorial rooms: "Why this trip was a greater fraud than that fizzle between Mace and O'Baldwin." It is probable that we shall now take him from his accustomed work, and send him to Chappaqua to interview Horace Greeley on what he knows about dead beats.

Postscript.

Now this is too bad; our reporter must have been misinformed in regard to the above. We have just received authentic information that Mr. Corcoran's young man didn't go to Baltimore at all. The fact is stated that he applied to the agent of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad on Monday, for a pass to Baltimore, but was informed by the agent that he would have to apply to superior authority in Baltimore. As this necessitated a letter which required a day's time, the managing editor had to delay his trip; however, we are consoled by our reporter, who says: "That's all right; that's what would have happened had he gone over to Baltimore."

SUDDEN DEATH.

Mr. Thomas Cowling Falls Dead in the Street.

Yesterday afternoon, between 4 and 5 o'clock, while the funeral services over the late Christopher Cammack, sr., were taking place at the Thirteenth street Baptist church, Mr. Thomas Cowling, who kept a livery stable on G, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, was out in front of the chosen regulating his carriages, he was noticed to fall to the pavement. Several persons immediately rushed to his assistance, but when they reached him and started to raise his body life was found to be extinct. The remains were taken across the street to his residence, and the coroner notified, who, after viewing the body, decided the holding of an inquest unnecessary, and gave as his opinion that death was caused by heart disease. Half an hour before his death the deceased appeared in excellent spirits, and in conversation with some friends made arrangements to accompany them to the Rockville fair on Thursday next. Truly, "in the midst of life we are in death."

The Wrong Party.

Our friend Mr. J. W. F. C——, recently had occasion to accompany a lady to the New York late train. On entering one of the dimly lighted streets, amid the confusion of the omnibus and cabs which usually prevails just preceding the blowing of the last whistle, he lost sight of his fair companion. This was but for a moment, however, as, penetrating the gloom, he espied a form, recognizing the same as the temporarily lost Mrs. D——. Approaching hurriedly he grasps the delicately shaped hands, at the same time seizing the satchel near by, and to the act of conducting her to the station on indicated on the ticket, when to and behold! he is greeted with the emphatic interrogation, "Sir! what does this mean?" accompanied with an abrupt withdrawal of the hand. It was not Mrs. D——. A look, and Mr. C—— had divined the perplexing dilemma into which he had so inadvertently been thrown. However, biding his embarrassment with his wonted ease, he gallantly apologized. The lady of mistaken identity at a glance comprehended the state of affairs, so that, laughly, she challenge assent. Perhaps (?) the genial Mr. C—— expostulated just a little about the carelessness of sleeping car porters in failing to provide sufficient light to render incidents of the kind above stated less liable to occur. We are not positive, however.

Music.

The following is the programme of the music at the promenade concert this evening at the Capitol: Grand Quick March, Heinicke; Dreams of Youth, "Two Nocturns, (first time,) Oh Bach; Introduction and Waltzes, new waltz, Strauss; Selections from Il Poliuto, Donizetti; Orlando Galop, Keller; Introduction and Waltzes, Weiss; Wife and Spring, Strauss; Fantasia from Sicilian Vespers, Verdi; National Airs.

Kicked to Death.

The colored boy that Col. S. S. Smoot has had employed for some time past in attending to his horses was kicked by one of the animals on Friday last at Cape May, and died in about twenty hours. The body was sent back to this city, and Dr. Hartigan, at the request of Col. Smoot, made a *post mortem* examination, and found the intestines were ruptured.

OUR SCHOOLS.

Meeting of the Trustees—Discussion in Regard to Free Transaction of General Business.

The board of trustees of public schools held their regulpecuniby meeting at the Franklin school building last evening, W. J. Murtagh, president, the chair, and Dr. A. P. Farnham, secretary.

The following applications for the position of teacherships presented and referred to the superintendent: Miss Isie M. Smith, Miss Miriam L. Smi, Miss Lizzie H. Dolmun, and Miss Annie Bard.

The superintendent reported that there were about twelhundred vacancies at scholarships in the schoo, principally in the primary departments.

The motn made by Mr. Scott, to reconsider the vote bytich the report of the committee on prizes and aminations was adopted, was taken up and agrd to.

Mr. Southerd to strike out that portion of the report at offered medals for spelling, as they were ow entering on a new course of study, and would be time enough to offer prizes whthey got well under way.

Mr. Fren thought the spelling contests had proven a ve great advantage, as the past experience wld show.

Mr. McLlan had given a good deal of attention to theatter, and was not opposed to them now, and thad noticed that considerable excitement ttended them from year to year, and that tcontests had improved the spelling in the schls; but now that they had reached a stage of fection let the schools try without the offer iprizes. It was acknowledged that they had a best spellers of any schools in the country, tthey were not up in geography and some otbsubjects. If the prizes were continued he adviathat they be offered for some other study. Atthe end of the year if they had retrogradethe would be willing to renew the trials.

Mr. Ha was perfectly willing to give the new cous of study a thorough test, but he thought in giving of medals was an incentive both to teachers and pupils, and hoped the report wou stand as submitted.

Mr. Cmplin thought that the fact that there was an ectement by the teachers and pupils was nothelr fault, but that of the trustees in not exeising a supervising influence over them, andeclaring that no extra time should be employed in preparing for these contests. The exhibition for the Kendall and King scholarsips could not be contended for except in the summer schools, while the spelling matcheconducted all of the Secondary schools.

Mr. Wson hoped no backward move would be taken There were new scholars coming into the schos every year, and there was so much cause todcis them, to study as there had been to previis scholars.

Mr. Wedward hoped the amendment would be adopt. There had been much hard feeling growingout of these contes s between the schools, nd many severe things had been said, and he lew of children who had been materially hured by class application to prepare for thecontests. He wanted to know why the other sclas should be injured and prizes offered alse for spelling.

Mr. Irick moved to amend the amendment by strik out the prizes for the grammar and secondar schools and confining the contests to the intermdiate schools. Lost.

The ues was then taken on the amendment; and it wa disagreed to by a vote of 7 yeas to 13 nays.

Mr. McLlan moved to amend the premium list for tendance by adding that the scholar should ot forfeit a premium on being absent from schol caused by the death of a member of the famy.

The amendment was adopted, and the report was agrd to.

The ch-board of the Third district recommended he appointment of Miss Mary Morgan as actingteacher of Female Secondary No 4, in place of Miss Eliza J. Simpson. The nomination waconfirmed.

A letterwas received from Mr. Geo. W. Paschal, offering a copy of his "Annotated Constitution" as a prize for the pupil writing the best essay upo the rights of the citizens of the United Stab. Referred to the committee on prizes; and the board adjourned.

Liberal Republicans in Council.

Thousandriduals calling themselves Liberal Republicans, under the leadership of R. W. Fenwick, met last night at Minola's hall, on Twelfth street, between N and O, for the purpose of hlding a meeting to settle the affairs of the county; but after discussing the late lecture of Mr. Gwube, the trio adjourned to the gathering of the same class of beings at the Baptist church, in E street, between Twelfth and Thirteenth. This meeting, composed of a few more than those above, was presided over by Jackson C. Kelly, and W. M. Davis acted as secretary.

Upon the Chair announcing his readiness to proceedthis business, the committee to whom had beendelegated the power of selecting the necessary campaign committee reported the following:

Executive Committee—R. J. Beall, W. H. Bennett, John A. Nilanes, James Clark, Wm. Bowen, Hilton Wright, James Williams, W. Smith, Jhn Walker, F. Broadstreet, H. Becker, L. Johnson, Wm. Davis, D. Lomax, R. Beverly, J. C. Tabor, Robert W. Fenwick.

Campaign and Registration—J. Taylor, J. A. Nilanes, A. Jackson, Robert Baxter, R. Brown, W. Bowman, J. Bloss, Jas. Lomax, J. Lewis, W. H. Jennett, R. Henderson, D. Lomax, T. Talbert, R. Harvey, S. Anderson, A. Davis, J. Jones, I. Smith, H. Jenkins, P. E. Harvey, John Baer, J. Wright, A. Ford, J. Williams, W. Smith, R. Jordan, F. Collins.

Finance—W. H. Miller, S. Jackson, R. J. Beall, I. Lomax, W. H. Bowman, R. W. Fenwick.

Addresses were made by John Robert Brooks, R. W. Fenwick and Mr. Collins; after which the meeting adjourned.

Where to Build in the Country.

TO REPUBLICAN: The Baltimore and Ohio branch railroad requires the purchase of commutation tickets in Baltimore. Of course, "commuters" must buy them. Why not make them and or go to Baltimore for the purpose?

If the way stations passengers who get on are expected to lift their trunks into the baggage car. If leaving the cars they are not expected to be required to lift their trunks off. The baggage trunk off is not supposed to do any harm—to the railroad company, at least.

Persons who send packages from way stations among the freight cars, but can freight or packages of any kind be sent to way stations without prepayment of freight.

This line of railroad between two great cities is one of the best settled in the country and has done as little as possible to develop the country population and a local travel by shorting no facilities.

A liberal policy on the part of the Baltimore and Potomac railroad will speedily build up the country, as it will practically have no competition through any railroad over which Mr. Garrett has control. X

The Germania Mannerchor.

Tour account of the visit of the Germania Mannerchor to this city, and their reception by the Chorals, we desire to add mention of the fact that when the Vanderbilt passed Mount Vernon on the afternoon of the 7th instant, and Mendelssohn's dirge was beautifully and solemnly sung by the Mannerchor. We were never more impressed with the observance of this time-honored rite. Arriving at Hoboken, the rain prevented the immediate departure of the party; but the skies soon became clear, and afterwards the dancing in the pavilion was very pleasant. The supper was furnished by Ebel & Abner; but the experienced hand of Mr. Wolcker, a member of the Chorals, was called in for the serving of it, and too much praise cannot be given to him for his efficiency in this matter. The entire party, numbering several hundred, were infinitely pleased with the excursion, and it will long be remembered as a happy episode in their lives. Captain Quinn, of the Vanderbilt, proved himself a most capable and efficient officer, and won many encomiums for his gentlemanly conduct.

Suicide.

Yesterday afternoon, about 2 o'clock, a man by the name of John Conners, living on Grtreet, northwest, near the Washington asylum, became suddenly crazed, and after driving his family out of the house, rushed into the yard where there were two cows belonging to him. In a moment he seized a large axe and attacking them, cut both so seriously that it is probable they will die. As soon as he had got through with amusing himself in this manner he re-entered the house, and a few moments after plunged a large razor, which he had taken from the kitchen, into his throat from ear to ear, causing death in a few moments. The facts in the case were promptly reported to the police, and Officer Patterson notified. The coroner promptly repaired to the house, and after making the proper inquiries learned that Conners had been drinking very hard for some time past, and concluded that the suicide was committed while labouring under the effects. He therefore declined to hold an inquest. Conners leaves a wife and five children.

Fourteenth District Fusion.

A meeting of the citizens of the Fourteenth district, opposed to the present government, was held last night at the corner of Seventh and O streets. There were about thirty persons present at 8 o'clock, at which time the assemblage was called to order by Mr. L. B. Allyn, who said it was a mass meeting of the members of the Greeley and Brown and the Democratic clubs of the Fourteenth district, called for the purpose of completing arrangements for a primary election on Monday next.

On motion Mr. Allyn was chosen president, and Wm. J. Ebbs secretary.

Messrs. Sengstack, Thomas and Newmeyer were, on motion, chosen as the judges, and instructed to have the polls open from 4 to 7 o'clock, at such places as they may designate.

A finance committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Lewis, Shekells, Williams, Butts and Allyn was appointed, and after some other unimportant business the meeting adjourned.

Attempted Suicide.

Last night, about ten o'clock, Officers Hinkle and Raines had their attention called to a Prussian named Charles Smith, aged thirty-three years, who had attempted to commit suicide at his boarding house, on Twelfth street, between C and D streets, by cutting himself in two places on the left arm. The officers conveyed him to the drug store of Dr. Entwisle, on the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Twelfth street, where his wounds were dressed. He was afterwards locked up the Central guard-house to await the action of the authorities. Smith was discharged from the insane asylum at Blackwell's Island last spring, and the cause of this rash act was owing to the insane condition of his mind. His injuries are not considered dangerous.

Statue of General Rawlins.

At a meeting of the commission authorized by Congress at the last session to approve designs for a life and bronze statue of General John A. Rawlins, late Secretary of War, it was determined that the commission would receive designs or models in plaster from any sculptors who chose to compete. The limit for competition will be until December 1. Gen. O. E. Babcock, Commissioner of Public Buildings and Grounds; Edward Clark, architect of the Capitol extension, and A. R. Spofford, Librarian of Congress, constitute the commission.

Wormley's.

Mr. Wormley, the proprietor of the hotel corner Fifteenth and H streets, has decided hereafter to make no distinctions on account of color among the guests of his house. The results of this step will be watched with much interest; but the opinion is generally expressed that the movement will not detract from the popularity of the house.

THE COURTS.

CIVIL.

SPECIAL TERM—*Judge Humphreys.*—This court was engaged as follows yesterday:

Roche vs. Reynolds. Order for final ratification of trustee's sale.

White et al. vs. Abner et al. Order for final ratification of trustee's sale.

Lany et al. vs. Widmer et al.—Order ratifying auditor's report.

Lyons vs. Brett. Order allowing private sale by receiver and of reference to auditor.

Dainess vs. Jones. Order for rule on complaint to show cause.

Vogel vs. Vogel. Decree of divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Adjourned.

POLICE.

POLICE COURT—*Judge Mills.*—The business yesterday was as follows:

Antonio Myers, assault on W. A. Gray, $10. Samuel Hanks, assault and battery on Thomas Hughes, $5 and costs. Samuel Scott and Aaron Dantz, assault on J. C. Whiting, $5 each. Nelson Payne, assault on Elizabeth Payne, $10. Wm. Costello, assault on his wife, $10. Isaac Tucker, assault on David Brown, $5. J. Benton, assault and battery on Officer James J. W. Haney, $5. Hugh Mason Brown, making a disturbance in a place of amusement, $5. Louis Bachenheimer, assault on R. Respstein. Defendant gave bonds in sum of $100 to keep the peace. John Fitzgerald and James Flaherty, assault on Henry Lancaster; Fitzgerald was fined $2 and costs, and Flaherty dismissed. Sarah Sachrey, assault on Kate Measham, $5 and costs. Thomas Mankin and John Marihi, assault and resisting Officer Thomas Aldridge, $10 each, or six months in jail. George Riggs and Elisabeth Cissell, disorderly in Georgetown, $5 each. John Tolliver, colored, driving cart without license, $7.75. John H. Ball, drunk and disorderly, $5. Ed. Sherwood, cursing, $5.

Improvement of New Jersey Avenue Southeast.

Mr. Ryan, the contractor for the improvement of New Jersey avenue southeast, is diligently working a large force of hands, reducing the grade 5½ feet, beginning at B street south and running thence to the present grade of D street south. The earth excavated is used in filling up the depression between B street and Virginia avenue. While this is going on of course the neighborhood is subjected to the annoyance of being without gas and water, the pipes therefor not yet being entirely depressed to their proper depth. How soon will the gas main be along? is the question.

The Second National Bank.

The new financial institution of the Second National Bank, on F street, between Sixth and Seventh streets, commences operations to-day, and under the most favorable auspices. The officers of this bank have the fullest confidence of the community as fiduciary agents, and we have no doubt but what it will meet with the success it deserves.

Social at Veteran Club.

It is important that all the members of the club who propose to go to Pittsburg be present at the meeting, that their names may be enrolled and transportation be provided for all. No. 455 Pennsylvania avenue, over the H. & O. R. R. office.

Purpose of the German Club.

The German Grant and Wilson Club met last night at Gerhardt's, on Four-and-a-half street. The delegates from this club to the Pittsburg convention received their instructions. The membership of the club was increased by the addition of twenty more new members.

The Weather.

The following was the range of the thermometer yesterday at Hooper's optician store, No. 453 Pennsylvania avenue, corner of Four-and-a-half street: 8 a. m., 78; 10 a. m., 79; 12 m., 80; 2 p. m., 81; 4 p. m., 75; 6 p. m., 74; 8 p. m., 72.

BOYS' SCHOOL SUITS, at low prices.
GEO. C. MEREDITH,
No. 410 Seventh street northwest.

The Registration.

The result of the registration in the Twelfth district yesterday is as follows: White, 361; colored, 73. Total, 434.

GEORGETOWN AFFAIRS.

ARRIVAL OF FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Arrived, coal boat Seneca, with flour and grain for Wm. Dougall and R. Talbott & Son.

SALES.—The sales yesterday were 850 bushels of wheat $1.67, 500 bushels at $1.75, and 350 bushels at $1.72.

THE CLOTHING of the police of the Third precinct was inspected yesterday by Inspector Brock, of the Metropolitan police.

THE RIVER.—Arrived, steamers John