National Republican.

### Arrival of Passenger Trains.

BY BALTIMORE AND POTOMAC DEPOT, SIXTH AND B STREETS

| Morning | | Evening | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Midland express | 12:45 | Boston, N. Y. & Phila. | 1:00 |
| Richmond express | 1:20 | Richmond mail | 1:10 |
| New York express | 3:12 | Alexandria | 1:25 |
| N. Y. & Phila. exp. | 4:00 | Alexandria | 3:25 |
| Alexandria | 6:25 | Limited express | 4:10 |
| Alexandria | 7:25 | Alexandria | 4:41 |
| Richmond pas. wagon | 8:10 | N. Y. & Phila. | 5:10 |
| Alexandria | 9:40 | Alexandria | 5:20 |
| Baltimore | 9:45 | Baltimore | 6:00 |
| North and West | 9:50 | Midland mail | 6:10 |
| Alexandria | 10:35 | Alexandria | 6:35 |
| Alexandria | 10:25 | Alexandria | 7:25 |
| Baltimore | 11:00 | North and West | 9:00 |
| Alexandria | 11:20 | | |

BY BALTIMORE AND OHIO DEPOT, NEW JERSEY AVENUE AND C STREET.

| Morning | | Evening | |
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| *2:15, N. Y., Phil & Bos ex. | | *1:30, Baltimore accom. | |
| *3:30, Baltimore express. | | 4:30, Baltimore accom. | |
| 9:00, Western express. | | 8:00, N. Y., Phil & Bos ex. | |
| 10:20, Baltimore accom. | | 4:20, Western Mail. | |
| 11:20, Pred. ac., (Met. br'ch.) | | *6:27, Baltimore accom. | |
| 11:50, Baltimore Annapolis and way. | | *6:45, Baltimore express. | |
| | | 7:20, Western express. | |
| 3:05, Martinsburg and Hagerstown ac. (Met br'ch) | | *8:00, Baltimore express. | |
| | | *9:15, N. Y., Phil & Bos ex. | |
| *4:35, Baltimore accom. | | 10:45, Baltimore accom. | |
| 11:59, Baltimore express. | | | |

*Arrive daily. Others Sundays excepted.

☞ For the time of departure of trains, see advertisements elsewhere.

### Amusements and Excursions.

Schuetzenfest.

COMique.—Variety performance.

First grand picnic by the expressmen of Washington, at Beyer's Park, this afternoon and evening.

Steamer Mary Washington leaves Seventh street wharf for Mount Vernon at ten a. m., returning at four p. m.

Forty miles for ten cents. The City of Alexandria leaves Seventh street wharf at half-past eleven a. m., returning at three p. m.

"Lyceum" five cent excursions on barge Cockade City every Wednesday and Friday at seven p. m., and Sundays at three p. m.

Fifty miles for fifteen cents. Potomac Ferry Company's excursions. Boat leaves Seventh street wharf at seven p. m., returning at eleven p. m.

### New Advertisements.

Schuetzenfest two days more.

Base-ball—Milwaukee vs. Nationals.

Excursion to salt water on steamer Mystic.

A. Saks & Co., clothing, 316 seventh street northwest.

Proposals for feed, &c., for Bureau of Yards and Docks.

Proposals for constructing brick sewers and tile pipe-sewers.

Trustee's sale of valuable improved property in Hillsdale, D. C.

J. S. Swormstedt—real estate and insurance, 928 F street northwest.

Attention, ladies—Boston shoe auction-house, 471 Pennsylvania avenue.

For sale—A beautiful wooded tract of land. Address post-office box 981.

### Thermometric Readings.

OFFICE CHIEF SIGNAL-OFFICER, U. S. A., Aug. 7, 1878.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7 a. m. | 71 | 9 p. m. | 75 |
| 10 a. m. | 72 | 11 p. m. | 72 |
| 12 m. | 80 | Maximum | 86 |
| 2 p. m. | 82 | Minimum | 67 |
| 4:30 p. m. | 85 | | |

### Indications.

For the middle Atlantic States partly cloudy weather, followed by occasional rains, light northwesterly winds, backing to southerly, stationary or higher temperature, stationary followed by falling barometer.

## HOME AFFAIRS.

### CITY NOTES.

—Miscellaneous matter on third page.

—For court proceedings see third page.

—R. F. Queen, of the St. James news stand, sends the New York *Clipper* for the current week.

—Somebody wants to know if people who drink too much of Shoemaker & Heritage's new beer are not sadder Budweiser men.

—Workmen were busily engaged yesterday throughout the city repairing damaged tree-boxes and righting and resetting the blown down and uprooted trees.

—About four o'clock yesterday afternoon Officer Sutton found a man named William White on Fifth street, between M and N, suffering from cramps. The officer had him removed to his home.

—Yesterday morning Sanitary Officer Connell procured transportation to Baltimore for Richter Sour and six little children, who claim to have arrived from Germany three weeks ago on their way to the West.

—Thomas Bailey, the colored boy who stabbed Augustus Kincase, Sunday afternoon, on Connecticut avenue, between R and S streets, was fined $10 and costs or thirty days, in the Police Court yesterday morning.

—The people of St. Aloysius' parish and their friends throughout the city are promised an enjoyable treat, in the shape of a family festival at the Washington Schuetzen Park August 20, the proceeds for the benefit of the new school-house for girls of that parish.

—The alarm of fire from box No. 154, about three o'clock yesterday morning, was turned in on account of the discovery of a fire in the dwelling No. 831 Fourteenth street northwest, occupied by George W. Driver. The damage amounted to about $500; fully insured.

### The Asiatic Squadron.

Rear-Admiral T. H. Patterson, commanding United States naval forces on the Asiatic station, reports to the Navy Department, dated Yokohama, Japan, July 13, 1878, that on the 4th of July the Japanese, English, French, German, and Russian men-of-war united with him in celebrating the day by dressing ships and at noon firing a national salute. The disposition of the vessels of the squadron is as follows: The Monongahela, Captain Fitzhugh, remains at Shanghai, where the repairs upon her boilers will be completed, as authorized by the Bureau, which will require at least five weeks. The Ranger, Commander Manley, has been actively engaged at Hong Kong and Canton. Nothing was found to excite suspicion that any American vessel was engaged in the transportation of coolies. The Alert, Commander Boyd, is at Amoy. She has visited Swatow during the past month. The Ashuelot, Commander Perkins, remains at Nagasaki. She has recently visited the Mearsburn group and Pallas or Vincennes Rocks to determine the position. The Palos, Lieutenant-Commander Wise, is at Tokio bar, the sanitary condition of Tuestsen being bad on account of the prevalence of the famous fever, which is very fatal. The health of the squadron is generally good.

### A Trick on Kearney.

Kearney appears to have been very badly sold. It is said that he employed persons to prepare some speeches for him before leaving San Francisco, and that they played off upon him some other people's eloquence. In his speech at Boston he used the language of Tom Fitch, ex-M. C. from Nevada, in the Cincinnati convention, who said: "Let me give a brief utterance to the feeling of the hearts of many thousand earnest Republicans," &c., &c., "and send messages of love and greeting to him who is lower than Macbeth yet greater, fiery yet unconquerable, the Rupert of debate, chivalrous white plumed Navarre of the platform, sagacious statesman, great-hearted leader, gifted, gallant, glorious Blaine." Take out Blaine and put in Butler and there you have Kearney's eulogium in Faneuil Hall.

THE ruling passion may be strong in prayer. Bishop Whittaker, of Nevada, could find no building in Tybo in which to hold services except a gambling-house, and in response to one of the sentences of the Litany an excited worshiper, with his pantaloons stuffed into his boots, cried, "Keno!"

LAST year 27,000,000 pounds of tobacco and nearly two billions of cigars were smoked, snuffed, and chewed in this country, an increased of about 8,000,000 pounds of tobacco and 50,000,000 cigars as compared with the year previous.

AT Venice, when a stranger dies at a hotel, the numbers of the rooms he occupies are considered lucky numbers to play in the lottery. When the late Sir William Sterling Maxwell died at Daniel's all the hotel servants played the numbers of his apartments, which won.

### BASE-BALL.

#### The Milwaukee Find the National Hard to Beat—Score 2 to 1.

At least 2,000 persons paid to witness the game yesterday afternoon between the Milwaukee and National. The fielding was the finest ever seen in this city, and the small score is attributable to excellence in this respect. Although the visitors won, the defeat of our home team need not cause them any soreness, as the audience present were gratified and many expressions of good will for the "Reds" were heard. Halbert, catcher, and Goodman, the first baseman of the Milwaukee, carried off the honors, while Reville, of the "Reds," by his magnificent stops and throwing, earned unstinted applause. Lynch proved himself the right man for pitcher, and Trott caught without an error. Were it not for the lamentable weakness of the National at the bat it would be safe to say that no club in the country is sure of winning a ball from them. Strike hard and with a will, boys, even if the balls do not exactly suit you. Free hitting is much better than waiting for called balls. The errors made were not very costly, as two of the three runs made were earned. The following summary shows how the boys acquitted themselves:

| MILWAUKEE. | B. | R. | PO. | A. | E. | NATIONAL. | B. | E. | PO. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dalrymple | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Holly | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Peters | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | Houck | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| Goodman | 2 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | Barrott | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Foley | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | Kenney | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 1 |
| Cremer | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | Lynch | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| Bennett | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Major | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Halbert | 1 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 2 | Power | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Golden | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 | Reville | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Redmond | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | Trott | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Totals | 7 | 2 | 27 | 13 | 6 | Totals | 3 | 1 | 27 | 19 | 6 |

The same clubs play again this afternoon, at half-past four o'clock, and there should be a large turnout, as a good game will doubtless take place. The National will probably do better in the batting department than they did yesterday, and if they succeed in keeping the ball they will be entitled to a great deal of commendation. Our boys can field with any club in the country, but must bat. An admission fee will be exacted of the fair sex as well as those of the sterner persuasion. Give the game an impetus, as the managers of the home team are under heavy expense.

GAMES ELSEWHERE YESTERDAY.

Troy, N. Y.—Haymaker, 4; Tecumseh, 12.

Bath, N. Y.—Hornell, 4; Springfield, 4—twelve innings; darkness stopped the game.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Buffalo, 7; Cincinnati, 1.

Lowell, Mass.—Lowell, 4; New Bedford, 2.

Providence, R. I.—Providence, 5; Indianapolis, 0.

### PROFESSIONAL INFORMERS.

#### The Way Two Young Men Gain a Living.

The hearing in the case of Miss Ida Whitney, charged with evading the revenue law by selling beer at her residence, No. 345 Maryland avenue, without taking out a license, was continued before Commissioner J. T. K. Plant yesterday. Messrs. William A. Cook, C. C. Cole, and A. Browning appearing for the defendant. At the close of the testimony the Commissioner decided to hold the accused to bail to await the action of the grand jury, and in default thereof she was ordered to be committed to jail.

Her counsel immediately sued out a writ of habeas corpus, which was granted by Justice Humphreys. He made the writ returnable on Wednesday next, at two o'clock, and released the pet tioner on her own recognizance to appear at that time. This is another of those many cases worked up by two young men named Winsatt and Copeland, who try to persuade parties to violate the law and then inform upon them for the purpose of getting the money allowed for such dirty work. In this instance no beer was kept in the house, but the informers succeeded in getting the woman to send for it, and after drinking the beer went off and filed the information against them and the arrest ensued.

It is also asserted, and cases can be produced to prove it, that these same individuals, when the opportunity is favorable, make known to the victim their intentions, but agree to drop the matter for a certain amount of hush money. Whenever they are lucky enough to secure it that is the last heard of the case; but when a person, feeling innocent of any intent to violate the law, spurns their base proposal, then they seek vengeance by hauling them before a commissioner to be prosecuted. It is pretty certain that a majority of the cases already held for the grand jury will not hold water when they come to be heard in the Criminal Court. Justice Humphreys, with the little investigation that he has given the matter, and this is the second that has been brought before him, doubtless sees more animus than law and justice, and acts accordingly. He very promptly and summarily dismissed the first case, and this will doubtless receive similar treatment at his hands.

#### Fastest Time Ever Made in the World.

It was a great day for Buffalo and for the trotting world that afternoon in August, 1867, eleven years ago, when Dexter trotted a mile in harness in 2:17¼, eclipsing 2:19¾ of Flora Temple, which, for eight years, had stood at the head of the record, and the only performance by a trotter in harness better than 2:20. The enthusiasm aroused by that feat of Dexter is well remembered, and throughout the country it was made a nine days' wonder. Those who predicted that it would ever be beaten were regarded in many quarters as visionary, and it did remain unequaled until 1873, when Goldsmith Maid, at Milwaukee, Wis., trotted a heat in 2:17.

From that time until yesterday the gallant little Maid has been the Queen of the Turf, several times surpassing herself, but never since passed, as a matter of record, by another, until in September, 1874, at Mystic Park, Boston, Mass., she trotted a heat against time in 2:14. Those figures have headed the list of trotting performances until yesterday. In the meantime, however, no less than seven horses, Rarus, Lulu, Hopeful, Lucille, Golddust, American Girl, Occident, and Gloster have surpassed the time of Dexter, but the 2:14 of Goldsmith Maid remained a shining mark which none could attain. Until yesterday, we repeat, for now the Buffalo track again enjoys the glory of being the arena upon which the American trotting-horse, in his never ceasing conflict with time, has achieved his most brilliant victory.

The king of the turf, Rarus, whose fame was eclipsed only by that of the retired queen, has at last plucked from her tiara the one jewel which made its lustre brighter than that of the crown he wore, and henceforth he is the absolute monarch. It may seem strange to people not interested in such matters that such vast importance should be attached to a horse trotting a mile by a fraction of a second faster than it has ever been done before, but they do not realize how vast an interest the breeding of horses is, how deeply seated in the breasts of most men is love for the horse, or that these trials of speed are the ultimate test of the perfection to which the trotter can be brought. When the top rate of speed is reached or approached, every minute fraction of time becomes of consequence. But we need not expatiate on this theme. Last night this city was absorbed in one theme of conversation, the fact that Rarus had eclipsed the time of Goldsmith Maid and trotted a mile on the Buffalo track in 2:13¾, and not only was this in Buffalo, but the news has already been flashed to the civilized world. This morning it will appear in all newspapers, and there are few men of intelligence to whom it will not be the most interesting item that those papers contain.—*Buffalo Courier, Aug. 4.*

A YOUNG man who was recently rejected by his girl immediately lost his appetite and began to pine away. His friends thought he would soon be laid away in the silent tomb, but last week he went to Atlantic City and saw the object of his affections—or what was left of her—in a baggy flannel suit and an old straw hat, bathing in the surf. That young man now eats three hearty meals per day, and a big lunch between times.—*New Herald.*

For upwards of thirty years Mrs Winslow's soothing syrup has been used for children. It corrects acidity of the stomach, relieves wind colic, regulates the bowels, cures dysentery and diarrhœa whether arising from teething or other causes. An old and well-tried remedy. 25 cents a bottle.

## AFFAIRS ABOUT TOWN.

### Items Gleaned by Our Reporters Yesterday.

#### Meeting of the Oldest Inhabitants—A Chase After Thieves Involving a Runaway Accident—An Infant Abandoned on the Commons—Prizes Won at the Schuetzenfest—Doings at the District Buildings.

#### A Lively Chase After Thieves.

About eleven o'clock yesterday morning Detectives McDevitt and Voss detected three thieves in an attempt to rob a house on Eighteenth street, near H northwest, while the occupants were away. They started after the thieves, who ran down H street. In answer to a distress call, Sergeant Perry and Officers Burgess and Martin joined in the chase. After some lively running the detectives caught two of the fugitives, who gave their names as John Jackson and George Scott, at the corner of Seventeenth street and New York avenue. Sergeant Perry jumped into a buggy driven by William Cruitt and continued in pursuit of the third man. At the corner of Seventeenth and E streets one of the wheels came off from the buggy. The officer jumped out and Mr. Cruitt retained his seat. At the Winder's building the horse broke away from the buggy and ran away. It was afterward stopped and secured on Pennsylvania avenue, near Four-and-a-half street. No damage was done except to the horse and buggy. The two men arrested were locked up.

#### The Schuetzenfest.

The Schuetzenfest will be continued until to-morrow night at twelve o'clock. The following were the lucky ones yesterday:

Bowling—First prize, William Fendner; second, William Spangler; third, William Seufferle; fourth, G. J. Seufferle; fifth, Simon Wolf; sixth, Mr. Nobel; and seventh, William Bereus.

Ladies' Shooting—First prize, a ruffle machine, Mrs. Bereus; second, a silver pickle stand, Mrs. Horner; third, dozen handkerchiefs, Mrs. Meyer; fourth, glove box, Mrs. Xander; and fifth, a handkerchief case, Mrs. Schoenborn.

The prizes for cadet shooting will be awarded to-night, and the trophies for the long-range shooting of last week will be awarded to-morrow night.

#### The Oldest Inhabitants' Association.

The August meeting of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association was held in the Circuit Court room, at the City Hall, yesterday afternoon. The attendance was small, as many of the members are spending the summer out of town. Dr. John B. Blake presided, with Colonel H. N. Easby as secretary. Mr. Robert Ball made a verbal report of the Fourth of July celebration. The annual resolutions were adopted in reference to the death of two members, John Denby and Erastus Brooke. The election of officers was postponed until the next meeting. Mr. Nicholas Callan gave a very interesting account of the preservation of the picture of Washington in the fire of 1814, by a man who climbed up and cut it out of the frame with a knife.

#### An Abandoned Infant.

About eleven o'clock last night a live colored female infant, five or six months old, was brought to the Seventh Precinct Station by Charles E. Johnston, who found it on the common between North Capitol and First streets. It was placed in the care of a woman living near the station, and will probably be taken to St. Ann's Infant Asylum this morning.

#### Minor District Notes.

Thomas Watkins wishes permission to repair pavement and build area in front of his premises.

Mr. George S. Koontz asks permission to trim trees on First, between I and K streets northeast.

Mr. J. T. Connell complains of the offensive condition of the sewer-traps in the alley in square 737.

Mr. Stephen P. Hill complains of the damage done to premises No. 1309 Vermont avenue, by the rain.

Asa Whitehead has placed on record a power of attorney from Simon Carnody, to him, of a claim for $2,289.83.

The construction of a sewer in A street northeast, to connect with the one in Seventh street, has been applied for.

James O'Day requests the return of $37.80 erroneously paid to the old corporation on assessment against his Property.

Licenses have been issued as follows: A. S. Pratt & Son, W. Burris, and B. H. Robertson, insurance returns; M. M. Rohrer, Jenkin Thomas, and Charles S. Bundy, notaries public.

Inspector Entwisle has issued the following permits: To build—J. C. Johnson, one one-story brick on H street, between First and North Capitol streets, $125; Charles Ford, four three-story brick on Tenth and K streets, $4,500. Repairs—W. Spaulding, wood-shed, $15; I. Kaiser, show windows, $600.

#### Company F, of Richmond, Coming.

Yesterday's Richmond *Dispatch* says: "At a regular meeting of F Company, held at the regimental armory last evening, the question of making a trip to Washington some time during the coming fall was generally discussed, after which the following committee was appointed to effect suitable arrangements: Lieutenant Robert H. Gilliam, Messrs. B. K. Peter, C. I. Quarles, L. S. Sisson, and G. R. Sumner. It will be remembered that this company received the Washington Light Infantry corps last fall, while that company was here on a visit to the fair—the visiting corps carrying off the medal for the best drilled company on that occasion. Our 'boys' anticipate a glorious time."

#### Struck with a Brick.

About eleven o'clock yesterday morning a colored man, named Patrick Henry, while standing at the corner of North Capitol and H streets, was struck on the head with a brick by an unknown white man and seriously injured. He was taken to the Seventh Precinct Station by Officer Shields and received medical attention from Dr. Elliott, jr. Afterward he was taken to his home, No. 17 Pierce street.

#### Real Estate Transfers.

George T. Gray and R. P. Jackson, trustees, to B. R. Mayfield, for $1,500, lots 21, 22, and 23, square 232; J. G. Kennedy, trustee, to J. M. Marvin, for $5,000, lot 18, square 252; same to same, for $46.80, lot 11, square 318; James Fraser et al. to C. G. Williams, for $425, part of tract of land in county called "New Seat."

#### Marriage Licenses.

The clerk of the court has issued marriage licences to the following applicants:

George Johnson, of Boston, Mass., and Maggie Soden, of Jersey City, N. J.

L. C. Dentinger and Louisa E. Bars.

#### Church Congress.

The fifth (Episcopal) church congress will be held this year, at Cincinnati, Ohio, October 15-18. The subjects announced for discussion are "The Interpretation of the Bible in Relation to the Present Condition of Learning and Science," "The Novel in its Influence on Modern Life," "The New Testament Doctrine of Absolution," "The Sunday Question," "Mutual Relations of Labor and Capital," and "Christ in the Personal Life." Two of them—"The Sunday Question" and "Mutual Relations of Capital and Labor"—are of special interest at the present moment, and the public will be glad to hear what eminent Episcopal clergymen and laymen have to suggest. The other topics give a proper variety, and none of them are archæological or fossilized. The congress committee have also succeeded in introducing many new men and in widening the range of interest in the congress movement.

### GEORGETOWN NEWS.

RIVER FRONT.

Arrived—Schooner Black Hawk, Allen, Occoquan, with 85 cords of wood to Solomon Stover; Rising Sun, Wheatley, Havre-de-Grace, with 120 tons of coal to Mayfield & Hleston; William Mason, French, New York, with guano to F. L. Moore; Dasey E. Parkhurst, Hooper, Norfolk; Hattie V. Kelsie, Randall, Providence; Theodore Dean, Edwards, Kennebec river, all to load.

Cleared—Schooners Joseph F. Baker, Davis, Boston, with 600 tons of coal; Hattie V. Kelsie, Randall, New London, with 750 tons of coal; Carrie Holmes, Lyman, Jersey City, with 490 tons of coal.

CANAL NEWS.

Arrived—Boats J. A. McAlister, J. Sheridan, Lizzie and Annie, Five Brothers, J. A. Graham, Three Brothers, Mabel, Sallie and Jimmie, W. M. Hill, William Gregory, Seven Brothers, Fleming & Motter, W. M. Price, S. Swain, Elizabeth, Dr. J. P. Broderick, William Darrow, Little Eddie, Lucinda, and "A."

Cleared—Boats C. H. Knott, D. R. Long, Lucinda, William Darrow, Little Eddie, Dr. J. P. Broderick, Elizabeth, S. Swain, Star, M. D. Corse, Sallie and Jimmie, S. E. Hassett, W. M. Price, Elbe, Fleming & Motter, William Gregory, Seven Brothers, W. M. Hill, S. Lloyd, Mabel, Three Brothers, Five Brothers, Lizzie and Annie, J. A. McAlister, J. Sheridan, J. C. Grove, and Dr. C. F. Russell.

GRAIN ARRIVALS.

By canal—Boat ouLdon, with 1,000 bushels of wheat to H. M. Talbott, also 2,800 bushels of wheat and 300 bushels of corn to Hartley & Bro.

By rail—500 bushels of wheat to H. M. Talbott.

PORT.

Entered—Steamer Lady of the Lake, Bolivar, Norfolk, with freight to District merchants.

Cleared—Steamer Lady of the Lake, Bolivar, Norfolk, with freights to New York and Boston merchants, including about 600 barrels of flour.

A BRUTAL ASSAULT.

Yesterday morning a brutal assault was committed at the corner of Gay and Bridge streets, where Mr. Henry C. Jewell resides. The circumstances of the case, so far as could be gleaned, are about as follows: Mr. Thomas Dawson, of Virginia, a brother-in-law of Mr. Jewell, called at the latter's residence and entered into conversation with him in reference to the sale of certain property left them by the father of Mr. Jewell. Mr. Dawson insisted that the property should be sold, while Mr. Jewell protested, and gave as his reasons for his protestation that it was no time to sell property, as it would not bring its proper value. This brought about angry words, and Dawson raised a heavy cane which he had in his possession and struck Mr. Jewell across the head, somewhat stunning him. He dealt him a second blow, and made a third attempt to strike him. At the same time Mr. Jewell placed his hands on the back of his head and received the blow upon his wrists. At this point Mr. Jewell, overcome from the effects of the blows he had received, fell to the ground, when his assailant, Dawson, attempted to inflict the fourth blow, but fortunately missed his mark. Mr. Jewell's frontis bone was seriously injured. Dr. Peter was called in and rendered surgical aid. During the day Mr. Jewell, who is one of the most esteemed citizens of Georgetown, and who has held several positions of trust and honor, was visited by a large number of the most prominent business men, citizens, and residents of Georgetown.

The case was brought up in the Police Court yesterday, but owing to the inability of the prosecuting witness to attend the case was continued. During last night several friends of the injured man remained with him throughout the whole night and administered to his wants.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Yesterday morning Mr. John Havenner, residing on the Canal road, near Falls Chapel, about half a mile this side of the Chain Bridge, was found dead in his house. The house had been closed for two or three days, and some of the neighbors, thinking it strange, went there and tried to arouse Mr. Havenner, but, failing to do so, forced an entrance and found him dead. How long he had been dead or the cause of his death is not known. Mr. Havenner was about sixty-five years of age, and one of the most peaceable and quiet men residing in that section of the county. His funeral took place yesterday afternoon. He leaves five children, three sons and two daughters, all grown.

BREAK IN THE CANAL.

The heavy rains on the 5th instant washed away Kuhns and Charles' mill-dams and made a break in Joel Charles' mill, seventy-six miles this side of Cumberland. The break is sixty feet long and eight feet below the bottom of the canal. It is not known how long it will take to repair the damage, but it is estimated that it cannot be repaired under six or eight days.

KILLED BY THE FALLING OF A HOUSE.

The store of Offutt & Perry, about sixteen miles above Georgetown, was blown down by the wind during the storm Tuesday night, and the roof and side of the house (the old store) were blown down. A colored man, named Thomas, was killed by the falling of the side of the house. The firm is building a new store, the roof and chimney of which were blown down. Damage not ascertained.

A CHURCH STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

About half-past nine o'clock last Tuesday night the old frame chapel on Brickyard Hill, formerly used as a place of worship by the congregation of Grace Church, was struck by lightning, tearing away a portion of the steeple, and then passing downward, cutting the bell-rope in two and knocking the plastering from the walls in two different places. Henry Stocks and wife, who occupy the rear portion of the chapel, were sitting on the bed at the time, and were both affected by the shock, the wife, Sophia, being thrown to the floor and rendered unconscious. She was revived in a short time by restoratives administered by the husband.

CANAL BLOCKADES.

There was a stoppage at the Seven Locks, on the Chesapeake, yesterday, caused by the breaking of one of the patent locks and chains.

There was a jam on the canal, near the "Old Distillery," about a quarter of a mile above Georgetown, yesterday, which lasted about five or six hours. After the boats got under way the numerous boats detained above started on their way and arrived in Georgetown in good condition.

GEORGETOWN PARAGRAPHS.

Workmen broke ground yesterday for a new front to W. C. Hazel's carriage house and stable, on Beall street, the two to be connected by heavy gates, running on rollers and heavy granite sills.

During Tuesday thirty-four boats laden with coal passed through the outlet lock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal on their way to Alexandria and thirty-nine passed on their return trip, light, to Cumberland.

#### Brothers Fighting for Real Estate.

A fight occurred on Eleventh street, between E and F streets northwest, yesterday afternoon, in which two brothers named Hanan were the combatants. The difficulty grew out of a dispute regarding some property which both me n claim. The neighbors interfered and prevented any serious consequences from the fight and the men went into the house. Subsequently Edward Hannan procured a warrant for the arrest of his brother Eugene, and the latter, not to be outdone in generosity, performed a similar service for the former. Officer Wheelock served the papers and carried the parties to the Fifth Precinct Station, where they deposited collateral for their appearance at the Police Court to-day.

#### Budweiser Beer.

Everybody should drink Budweiser Beer. It is the finest beer brewed in the world, and for its great nourishing qualities has been recommended by all leading physicians in Europe, especially in Germany, to ladies and convalescents in general. It has a fine and pleasant flavor. Schoemaker & Heritage, of 1331 and 1333 E street, are the sole agents for this city, and are prepared to deliver it to any part of the city. Persons in feeble health are especially recommended to try this healthful beverage.

### TRUE COMMUNISM.

#### Free Libraries, Free Concerts, and Freedom of Thought.

*To the Editor of the National Republican:*

SIR: We rejoice when some "Sibyl" lifted up her voice in your columns to ask for a free public library in Washington. When almost every respectable village in the civilized parts of the United States has its public library, it is certainly a disgrace to the Capital to be without one. Washington does, indeed, contain a library that is public in this sense: it is bought with the public money. But it accommodates only that portion of the public who can best afford to buy books for themselves; and during the long recess of Congress this library, bought with the people's money, lies in aristocratic repose, doing no good to anybody.

Free libraries, free galleries, free concerts are not required chiefly for those people who can well afford to pay for their own books, their own pictures and music; who can surround themselves at home with beauty and knowledge, and then can travel far and wide in search of more.

Every city should provide these ameliorations for the rare, spare moments of its constant toilers, whose every hard-earned cent must go for food and covering. And a city which does this can save the expense of it on its police force. It is a significant fact that there were no "strikes" or riots last summer in Boston.

That city has a magnificent free library and an art gallery that does not tantalize all workers by closing before any of them can attend it. It gives a free concert on its finest organ every Saturday, besides the open-air concert on the common. And on Saturday afternoons all summer its large stores close at two o'clock and its "one-horse" stores at five or six, giving tired clerks and laborers a little time to humanize themselves and take advantage of the resources provided by the city. There is an approach to true Communism. Yours truly, M. S. W.

### THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

#### Meeting of the Commissioners Last Evening.

The Board of Fire Commissioners met last evening. The report of Chief Engineer Crouin for the month of July showed that there were twelve alarms turned in; loss and insurance not ascertained. The report of Superintendent Miles, of the fire-alarm telegraph, stated that the improved ground pipe and insulator had been applied and was working well. Superintendent Miles also applied for a leave of absence from August 12 to September 30. Approved and referred to the District Commissioners.

A communication was received from Foreman Sorrel, of No. 4 company, stating the urgent necessity of a sewer-trap in front of No. 4 engine-house. It was referred to the District Commissioners, with a recommendation that the improvement be made.

A communication was received from William H. Brady, proposing to shod the horses of the department, at the engine-houses, for $1.50 per set, by a new system. Referred to the committee on horses.

Leave of absence for ten days was granted to John A. Melson, of No. 1 company. A requisition from Superintendent Miles for 1,000 battery zincs was approved. The usual monthly requisitions from the Chief Engineer were approved. The expense of the department for forage for horses is increased, as on an average six of the horses provided for do not belong to the department, but are employed by the District in other service. Requisitions were also approved for repairs upon several engines.

Mr. Hume, from the building committee, stated that the committee had waited upon the District Commissioners.

The Commissioners stated that the law positively provided for but two new houses. The matter is at present undecided.

The following resolution, offered by General Bacon, and amended slightly by Mr. Hume, was adopted:

Whereas Congress has authorized the purchase of one truck and two hose-carriages for the use of this department:

*Resolved*, That it is the unanimous opinion of this board that the citizens of Washington shall have the necessary facilities for furnishing the same, provided that the work can be done as well and as cheaply in this city as elsewhere.

The board then adjourned.

#### Costs of Taking Advantage of Bankrupt Law.

The first fee to be paid is $10 to the clerk; the register is entitled to $5, and the marshal about $10. In cases where there are no assets these fees will be all that are required. There is a rule of court that no discharge shall be withheld for non payment of fees. Attention, however, is never called to this rule by the officers. The cases filed in this District show that not one creditor out of each hundred moves his debts, and as without a fight a man is discharged, as a matter of course, every case goes through. The exemption is household furniture to the extent of $500, with tools of workingmen and library of professional men, horse, cow, &c., in many cases running up the exemption to much more than $1,000.

Yesterday Justice Humphreys, in the bankrupt court, on motion of Hon. J. Ambler Smith, made an order directing that hereafter there shall be no examination of the bankrupt unless a petition is filed under oath by the creditor, alleging that he has reason to believe that the bankrupt has conveyed fraudulently his property. This will reduce expenses, as it has been the custom to examine every man. Judge Humphreys indicated, in giving his opinion, that where there were no assets the $50 deposit would be sufficient.

#### Summer Theatre Comique.

At the Comique this week a variety entertainment of superior character is being given. Among the excellent artists who appear are Miss Ada Stanwood, a vocalist of established reputation; Miss Ida Maussey, a handsome serio-comic vocalist; Miss Mollie Wilson, a Washington favorite; Levantine and Earle, wonderful acrobats; Ralph and Kane, the great musical team, and Messrs. Devlin and Tracey, the accomplished vocalists, dancers, and Irish comedians. Andy Morris, the clown, appears in a sketch entitled "Pongo, the Ape," and also in the comic pantomime, "The Devil's Doctor," which concludes the performance, and in which the full strength of the excellent company is brought out. Messrs. Harry P. Williams, John Robinson, and Billy Williams, Miss Fannie May, and others of the regular company also appear in a programme which has seldom been equaled in this city.

### CITY ITEMS.

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YOUNG PEOPLE do pay attention to your teeth neglect will soon ruin them. Be wise in time Clean them daily with THURSTON'S IVORY PEARL TOOTH POWDER, the most perfect dentifrice known. It will keep them through life in good condition white and sound, will harden the gums, sweeten the breath, and prevent toothache. Sold by all druggists. 25 and 50 cents per bottle.

WELLS' MACHINE-SPREAD STRENGTHENING PLASTERS are still the best known. Their curative powers far surpass all others.

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Interest paid on deposits. Special rates on time deposits.
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At 50 Cents per Pound.
Used with ice, it has been found equal in flavor to the highest priced articles. A trial will convince. S. W. RUSSELL.

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To make room for the immense stock our buyer has purchased in London, Paris, and New York, we offer any of the goods
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We desire to impress it on the minds of our patrons and the public that this is not "Selling at Cost," "Bankrupt," or any other catch-penny affair. We believe we are the gainers by converting our goods into money, and if our patrons think they will be happier in having our goods to having their money, then we shall both be satisfied.
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BUREAU OF YARDS AND DOCKS.
20 to 25 (2240 lbs.) best quality Timothy Hay, loose.
5 tons (2240 lbs.) Long Rye Straw, in bundles.
25,000 lbs. Yellow Corn Meal.
700 bushels (32 lbs. per bush.) prime Oats.
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To be of the best quality and to be delivered in monthly quantities as required during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1879.
The right is reserved to reject any or all of the offers if not advantageous to the Government. Bids to be accompanied by the name of the sureties proposed for the faithful delivery of the articles. Blank forms for bids to be had at this office. W. W. WILLIAMS,
jy8-3 Pay Inspector United States Navy.

PROPOSALS FOR CONSTRUCTING BRICK SEWERS AND TILE PIPE SEWERS IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, D. C.
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