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Eleven officers compose the academic board this year, instead of twelve as formerly, a vacancy existing in the seamanship department, caused by the detachment of Commander F. A. Cook. Lieutenant Commander H. A. Elmer is acting in the capacity during the vacancy. Capt. Francis M. Ramsay, superintendent of the naval academy, is president of the board. The roster of naval officers and instructors attached to the naval academy is composed of sixty-seven. In addition there are twenty officers (including mates) at the academy who are not attached to the academic staff. The ship are in charge of Lieut. Comdr. Charles M. Thomas. There are also three marine officers in the work, however, including Elder Raymond, of the Baptist church, who has performed some remarkable cures."

"Will you mention a few of the cures?" asked the reporter. "Willingly," replied the lady, her face beaming with enthusiasm. "In the first place, there is my case. I suffered with a complaint of the liver and bowels for fourteen years. Finally I heard of the great number of cures by faith and sent for members of the healing band. They came, prayed for me, and announced me for healing, and I was cured instantly.

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Energetic Action Last Night Toward the Attainment of Franchise.

The District of Columbia Suffrage Committee of 100 held another meeting last night at Association hall, 632 Pennsylvania avenue. Hon. A. M. Clapp, the chairman, presided. Mr. S. J. Fague reported that Speaker Carlisle would receive the committee on members of previous meeting before he appointed the committee on the District of Columbia. The subcommittee appointed to wait upon the speaker was instructed to suggest the name of Hon. S. Cox as chairman of the district committee of the house, after first waiting upon a gentleman and asking permission to use his name. A motion was adopted directing Capt. A. Grant to see Hon. Mr. Holman and ascertain if he would serve on the district committee. It was then reported that the speaker had appointed seven, of which he shall be chairman ex-officio, to prepare a bill for presentation to congress, three members of such committee to be members of the committee of the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Charles S. Moore as financial secretary, the meeting being held at the residence of Hon. S. J. Fague, 632 Pennsylvania avenue. The following additions to the committee of one hundred: Messrs. Wm. H. Pope, of the Critic; A. B. Miller, of S. J. Fague, Wm. A. Cook, of the Evening Star; J. C. Caldwell, of the Post; William H. Chase, W. C. Murdoch, Andrew J. Donaldson, G. H. Gine, Thomas Lucas, Thomas F. Miller, C. R. McBlair, James C. Crocker, the Star; Daniel C. Cahill, of the Post; William H. Hunt, Charles Schaeffer, John Fegan, James L. Turner, B. D. Dowell, R. F. Beall, John E. Howell, James Coleman, Frank H. Taylor, of the Post; John E. Caldwell, of the Post; Eliphaz Youngs, W. C. Dodge, M. Rohrer, Charles S. Moore, assistant district attorney, and J. Walter Mitchell.

THE RAILWAY OPONENTS. Meeting of the Committee of East Washington, East Night.

The committee appointed by the property owners and others living in the vicinity of the Baltimore and Potomac freight depot met last night at Mr. Thaddeus Dean's house, corner of Third and I streets southeast. The following gentlemen were present: A. B. Pearson, Thomas A. Richards, William Davis, Thaddeus Dean, and C. E. Hollifield. John H. Bunker, chairman, reported that the committee had been made known to the commission with no satisfactory response from the railway company. He stated that the Secretary of the interior department, asking if the United States had control over the avenues and squares of the city, and the committee had been prepared showing the nature of the troubles occasioned by the location of the depot. A petition to the President was also presented, asking that assistance be rendered to them.

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