

emselves or bought, as a change, are anxious to get a chance at shed by the government.

ow the agricultural detail will lay ir rifles and, shouldering their go up to the mortar batteries leaving away the site for a camp. D. of Belair, Captain Forward, o in the morning and in the aft- mpany C, of Cumberland, Cap- ndes, will do the "axe-swinging awhile. On Wednesday the en- llion will probably be moved to y.

Forward was somewhat indis- ay, but expects to be all right to- It was his time to serve as the day, but he was to unwell duty. Captain Riggs, of the company, served in his place. eciment is likely to be here for ne a number of the officers con- sending for their wives and hav- stay at the Hygia Hotel, where s take their meals.

ven Norris, wife of Lieutenant t the Easton company, who has for several days, left for Balti- ght.

#### An Exploring Needle.

years ago, when a child, Miss Holliday swallowed a needle. red no inconveniences until last uring the long interval she had entirely about the accident. k she became afflicted with severe pains in her right shoulder. Phy- xplained that she was suffering iralgia, but when a small lump suddenly on her shoulder this their theory. Miss Holliday to think of the needle, and she l that it had possibly worked it- ne shoulder. An operation was d and the needle found and re- Except for being slightly rusty le was in as good condition as allowed, years ago.—Indianapolis

tendance at public schools in Italy was 201,622, while now it is 2,471.

#### The Governor's Family.

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.] ANNAPOLIS, MD., May 30.—Mrs. Lowndes, wife of the Governor, who has been visiting New York two weeks, will return to the execu- tive mansion Tuesday, accompanied by Miss Lowndes, who is attending school there. The Governor's family will re- turn to Cumberland early in June. Mrs. and Miss Roman are guests at the man- sion.

#### State Fishery Force.

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.] ST. MICHAEL'S, MD., May 30.—All the fleet of sail-vessels of the State fishery force are in rendezvous at St. Michael's for the summer overhauling at Kirby & Son's ship-yard. Capt. E. S. Turner, the ad- miral of the fleet and commander of the Governor R. M. McLane, is there over- seeing the work.

#### Death Of Capt. Jas. P. Snow.

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.] DENTON, MD., (via Ridgely, Md.) May 30.—Capt. James P. Snow, one of the wealthiest citizens of Tuckahoe Neck, died Sunday evening, aged eighty years, lack- ing one day. Mrs. Snow, to whom he had been married fifty years, survives him.

#### Senator Wellington Has A Cold.

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.] CUMBERLAND, MD., May 30.—Senator Wellington contracted a severe cold while speaking in the auditorium at Hagerstown last night and was not able to go to Grafton today to deliver the Memorial Day oration.

#### Talbot County Items.

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.] EASTON, MD., May 30.—Mr. Frederick Tilghman, of New York city, and Miss Tilghman, his daughter, are guests of their relative, Col. Oswald Tilghman, at Foxley Hall, Easton. Mr. Tilghman is the son of Gen. Lloyd Tilghman, of Ten- nessee, who was killed in action while

#### Maryland Items.

The yachts *Flossie* and *Nepenthe*, of the Baltimore Yacht Club, stopped at Annap- olls.

Jerry L. Smith, of Annapolis, having passed the required examination, was ad- mitted to practice in the Anne Arundel Court.

By the influence of Gen. H. Kyd Doug- las, Jack Heyser, of Hagerstown, was ap- pointed electrician on board the Vermont, Brooklyn navy yard.

At Bethesda, in Montgomery county, Mr. Alfred Wilson and three other mem- bers of his family were made violently ill by something they had eaten, probably canned vegetables. They were in a very serious way, but are now considered out of danger.

The Frostburg (Md.) Mining Journal says the war has not only increased the price of coal, but that "the selling price of coal for 1898 is the lowest ever reached in this country." The Journal adds: "The gov- ernment is making some purchases, but these are more than counterbalanced by the loss of trade in other directions."

#### A New Mineral Pitch.

Engineering News says: "Maujak" is a material found in Barbadoes. It is of a brilliant black color and is deposited in beds from ten inches to two feet thick, immediately below the general surface. It is believed to be a solidified petroleum, and in composition it is analogous to the Trinity Island tar and to the gilsonite of Utah and the albertite of Canada. But it is distinguished by its good qualities. Ac- cording to Wallman's *Vers. Zeitung*, the best samples contain: Water, 2 per cent.; volatile organic substances, 70.85 per cent.; solid organic substances, 28.97 per cent., and mineral substances, 0.18 per cent. The Trinity tar contains 21 to 30 per cent. of water and 88 per cent. of ashes. Mau- jak is thus rich in bitumen, and it would seem possible to utilize it as a varnish, and as a combustible when used with peat. Its insulating properties would also suggest its use as a substitute for gutta percha in electrical insulation.

A Spanish peat is now equivalent to about 15 cents in value.