

The Editorial Excursion.—The special train of ten cars, bearing 253 editors, was upon its return over the Baltimore and Ohio railroad yesterday afternoon along the great highway, for the purpose of affording the excursionists the fullest opportunity to view every object of interest to be met with on the route. The train was in charge of Conductor J. P. Buehner, assisted by Richard Armstrong. The engine, one of the most powerful on the road, was in charge of engineer Casper Hassell, with Richard Stevens fireman. The train will reach Harper's Ferry about noon to-day, where all the scenes made notable by the invasion of John Brown will undergo an inspection. After dinner the train will come on to the Relay House, arriving about 5 o'clock. As yet, it is uncertain whether the destination of the excursionists will be this city or Washington. It is probable there will be a division, part coming to the City of Monuments and part going to the Federal Capital, to inspect its marble features.

For the convenience and information of the guests, Wm. P. Smith, Esq., has edited and caused to be printed a neat book of about 100 pages, being a memoranda concerning Baltimore city and its surroundings, and dedicated to the Western editors who visit Baltimore on the present occasion over the Baltimore and Ohio railroad and its western connecting lines. The book is composed of extracts from the local press on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, a learned compendium of the history, scope and business of the road, concluding with the remarks of the press on the proposed editorial excursion. Copies of the book will be placed in the hands of the visitors to-day, and its perusal will enable them to write intelligently of all events. We learn that the number of invitations issued up to yesterday reached about 2,000, which includes at least 1,500 newspapers. The visit of the editors will extend to July.

Charge of Stealing a Railroad Ticket.—A young man, who gave the name of Henry Newman, was before Justice Showacre yesterday afternoon, charged with stealing at the depot in Washington, a ticket for Pittsburg, valued at \$10.20. The ticket was put out by the agent at Washington, Mr. Gilbert, for another person, and it was alleged that while the applicant was paying for it, Newman slipped the ticket from the ledge of the ticket window, and disappeared. The theft was not witnessed by any one, but the agent notified conductor Showacre, of the 3.20 Washington train, and for which the ticket was sold. When the conductor passed through the train and called for the tickets of the passengers, Newman produced the identical ticket, and was questioned by the conductor concerning it. His answers not being satisfactory, upon the arrival of the train at the Camden station Newman was taken into custody by officer John Wright, watchman at the station, and conducted before the magistrate. He was held for a hearing. The accused is a German, and quite respectable in appearance.

Attempt at Suicide.—On Sunday night a man known as James O. Cooper attempted to commit suicide, in the eastern part of the city, by cutting his throat. He was laboring under temporary insanity at the time. Cooper was at one time a constable, and until within a few years past was respected by those who knew him. His attempt to destroy himself would probably have been successful but for the interference of policemen Carback and Galt, who arrested and took him to the police station.

The Weather.—The weather was fine yesterday, and the temperature delightful. In the forenoon the wind was from the northeast, but it changed to a more favorable quarter, and the sun shone brightly all day. The genial warmth, after several days of rain, will be welcomed by the husbandman after a late spring. The agricultural operations have been greatly retarded by the continued cold weather, but warmth like that of yesterday will soon cover the fields with verdure, and decorate the gardens with beautiful blossoms.

Steam Fire Engine Trial.—Steam fire engine No. 4, of the department, was tried between 5 and 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon, at the wharf, foot of South street, with the tubes of No. 5 engine. The trial was in consequence of the failure of No. 5 to draught through the tubes. This difficulty was fully overcome by No. 4, the water being beautifully through them. The trial lasted over an hour.

greater portion were recognized as above.—Hertz and his son in law, Hartman, have been known by the residents in the neighborhood where they lived for a number of years. Their were five in the family, the old man, his son in law, the wife of the latter, and two children. The men pretended to be butchers, and had a stall in the Richmond market, where they disposed of the meat obtained in their homes, and sometimes they worked about for the neighbors, making themselves familiar with their residences. The wife is dead-ridden, and says she has lived in great dread of her husband and father. In answer to a question in regard to her knowledge of their operations, she replied that she never saw any goods brought into the house; it would always be done in the night time, after she was abed. When she would ask about it she would receive a blow from them instead of an answer. The value of the goods recovered is not to be so much regarded as the quantity, but it is supposed to amount to several thousand dollars.

Death of Another Aged Citizen and Patriot.—Yesterday the columns contained a notice of the death of Edward Norris, Sr., one of the old defenders, whose funeral took place yesterday morning. To-day we have a similar announcement to make in the decease of Col. John E. Byrd, a Revolutionary War hero, which occurred at his residence, North Eutaw street, on Tuesday last, in the 70th year of his age. Col. Byrd was the grandson of Col. Wm. Byrd, of Westover, Va. In early life he was one of those from whom principle volunteered his services to maintain the independence of his country. In 1780, Colonel, then Capt. Byrd, served in the war with Tripoli, and distinguished himself under Gen. Eaton at the battle of Derna. In the last war with Great Britain he was in the regular army, and was engaged in the battle of Tippecanoe, on the 7th of November, 1811, where he was conspicuous for his gallantry and courage. He was also present at the battle of Brandywine, and distinguished himself on the 25th of July, 1814, where he served under the orders of Gen. Scott. He received from the Legislature of Virginia, his native State, a vote of thanks, and was also presented with a sword in testimony of the high esteem in which his services were held. In 1835 Col. Byrd removed from Clark county, Va., to this city, where he resided up to the time of his death.

Sales of Property.—Messrs. F. W. Bennett & Co., auctioneers, sold yesterday, on the premises, the following described property: The lot of ground and improvements on Siles st., west of Essex, No. 29, fronting 12 feet 5 1/2 inches by a depth of 100 feet. Improved by a two-story and attic brick dwelling, with back building, subject to a ground rent of \$31 1/2 per annum. Price paid, \$1,005; purchaser, Mrs. Mary Rutledge. Also, the lot adjoining, with front and back buildings, and improvements, (No. 37,) subject to the same ground rent, sold for \$1,420; purchaser, Mr. S. E. Morris. Also, the lot and improvements on South Euter street, near Fawn street, fronting 15 feet by a depth of 25 feet. Improved by a two-story and attic brick dwelling, with back building, (No. 86,) subject to the yearly ground rent of \$30. Price paid, \$1,300; purchaser, Mr. S. E. Morris.

Samuel H. Gover, auctioneer, sold yesterday on the premises, the lot of ground on East Fayette street, between Aisquith and East streets, with a front on Fayette street of 15 feet and a depth of 59 feet. Improved by a two-story brick dwelling and back building, &c. Purchased by Mrs. E. Logue for \$900.

The Fire at the Penitentiary.—The fact that a fire occurred in the workshops at the Penitentiary at a late hour of Thursday night was noticed yesterday. In the west end of the building destroyed was the machinery for sawing oak staves and heads, while the east end and the whole of the upper floor were used for the storage of finished work on the looms. The whole damage, as before stated, was about \$2,000, and Mr. O. Murdock, the occupant, had an insurance in the American Insurance Company, of this city, for \$1,000. The fire is supposed to have originated from the furnace, some of the woodwork near having ignited. The convicts ceased work before sundown, and the fire in the furnace was extinguished by six o'clock. The fire was entered some time before the alarm got outside the wall, or, with the full supply of water within the enclosure, the flames would have been extinguished with much less damage.

The City Council and the Editorial Excursionists.—The mayor and members of the city council had an informal meeting yesterday afternoon to consult relative to the reception of the editorial excursionists on their arrival to-day. The mayor thought the resolution of Thursday, to throw open the doors of all the public institutions to the visitors, as proper, and all that could be expected from the city authorities. Telegraphic dispatches had been received by Mayor Swann from Wm. P. Smith, Esq., in which it was intimated that the visitors expected a formal reception here. The following preamble and resolution were subsequently adopted by the city council last evening:

"Whereas it is understood that a large number of gentlemen connected with the press west of the Alleghenies are about paying a visit to the city of Baltimore, to be here on Thursday next;

"Resolved, By both branches of the city council of Baltimore, that the officers having charge of our public institutions be and they are hereby requested to admit all the western visitors to their respective institutions, and show them all possible courtesies."

The New Police.—The board of police was still engaged yesterday in the preparations for the organization of the new force on Monday next. The force will be mustered at 6 o'clock in the morning, and in the several districts the policemen will be informed whether they will have day or night duty to perform. The board yesterday drew on the mayor and the city treasurer for the amount requisite to pay the old force on Monday, when their service will expire. It is the intention of the board to arrange the beats so that no part of the city shall be unprotected, nor will policemen be required to meet and stand on the corners of the streets.

Suicide at the Almshouse.—A German named Fredericks, aged about forty years, committed suicide at the almshouse, on Thursday afternoon, by cutting his throat with a dissecting knife in the room of the resident physician, while he was absent. The instrument cut through the jugular vein and artery, and death resulted in a few minutes. It is supposed to have been laboring under a fit of temporary insanity when he committed the deed. He was without friends or family, and had been an inmate of the institution for nearly four years. He was employed by the students in the capacity of servant, and as such had access to all the apartments.

The Ten Cent Indictment.—The fact was stated a few days since that Moses Smith, colored, indicted for obtaining ten cents from the pretenses from L. P. D. Newman, had removed his case to Baltimore county for trial. The case is one of the fraudulent hay transactions which have been so frequent of selling hay by weight for service, and the hay was weighed in the hay of the wagon after weighing, and before delivering to the purchaser. The ten cents named in the indictment was earnest money before the hay was weighed.

Midnight Assault.—On Thursday night a young man named Howard Devira was assaulted on Aisquith street, near Jackson, and severely beat by a party of desperadoes whom he encountered while going to his home, in the northeastern part of the city. The assault continued until the approach of another party, when the assailants fled.

Fatal Accident.—A laborer employed on the Northern Central railway was killed at York on Friday evening by a train of cars running over him. He was using a hand car on the track, and did not obey the warning of the engineer to get out of the way. The deceased is said to have left a family. His name did not transpire.

Assault.—James Magraw was arrested yesterday by constable Armstrong on the charge of assaulting and beating a colored man employed by Benjamin German. Justice Wheat held him to bail for trial. Henry King was arrested by policeman Vaine on the charge of assaulting and beating his wife. Justice Griffin sent him to jail.

Malignant.—A few nights since some evil disposed persons broke open the gates of the Chase and Mount Royal Reservoirs, and destroyed the fencing around them. The outrage has been repeated on several occasions, and the water board offer a reward of one hundred dollars for the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties.

Military Company.—Capt. Woodville, of Maryland Guard, paraded last night, and received from the Independent Greys a number of muskets, which they will carry in the lay parade of the military on Monday. The company numbered about sixty muskets, and looked and marched well.

Charge of Theft.—George Williams was brought up by officer Phillips, of the southern district, charged with the larceny of one mirror, belonging to Mrs. Trail. Justice Showacre committed him to the custody of the grand jury.

Sailing of the William Jenkins.—The steamer William Jenkins, Capt. G. H. Hallett, left her wharf at three o'clock yesterday afternoon for Boston. She took out a full freight and a number of passengers.

Charge of Theft.—George Bushman was arrested yesterday by officer Devia, charged with the theft of nine ducks, the property of J. Ragan. Justice Showacre committed him for court.

On the Wrong Stand.—John Wallers, back-tin, was before Justice Showacre yesterday, charged with the violation of the law by having his back upon the wrong stand. He was fined \$1.

Personal.—Gov. Hicks reached this city on Friday afternoon and stopped at the Poulson Hotel.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Final Adjournment of the City Reform Convention.—A meeting of the City Reform Convention was held last night in the hall of the Law Building, George M. Gill, Esq., president, in the chair, and Lawrence Sangston, secretary pro tem. The president stated that the convention was called for the purpose of hearing the reports of committees, and accordingly called for the several reports. No member of the executive committee was present, but for its assistance committee the president stated that the whole expenses of the organization had been paid, and there was a surplus of \$139 16. Hon. Joshua Vansant, of the consulting committee, presented a report showing the expenditure of \$2,169 21, with the vouchers, which was accepted, and the thanks of the convention tendered to the committee for their labors. S. Teakle Wallis, Esq., of the legislative committee, said they had already reported, and all the measures they proposed for the action of the Legislature had been successful, except the registry law, and that failed to be acted on because of an amendment which made it apply to the whole State. It was proposed and placed in the hand of the chairman of the committee on elections, and energetic measures were used to effect its passage. But the police and election laws passed, and he thought the Liberty law, which will go into effect on the first of June, would be found to be not the least wholesome among the laws adopted. The thanks of the people of Baltimore are due to the Legislature for what had been done.—On motion of Mr. Vansant the thanks of the body was voted to that committee.

Mr. Sangston suggested that the convention continue as a passive organization, when the question arose what should be done with the organization, but the body, at quarter past ten o'clock, adjourned sine die.

The Discovery of Stolen Goods in Baltimore County.—More Goods Recovered.—The extensive robbery of stolen goods at the house of one Adam Hertz, near the toll-gate, Baltimore county, and his arrest of Hertz and his son-in-law, John Hartman, was noticed yesterday. Lieut. Girven and officer Saville, the officials concerned in bringing about the affair, yesterday morning followed up the developments made. Upon searching Hertz's house further, another assortment of goods was discovered stowed away in every imaginable place of concealment. Among the articles dragged to light was a box of carpenter's tools, a bag full of dangerous prototypes, a thermometer, portions of wron and harness, a plow, &c. The pictures and thermometer were claimed by Mr. James Dell, and the harness by Mr. Jesse Stunglin, residing on Liberty road, whose house was robbed about two years ago. The plow was identified by Mr. Armstrong, Glimor street, near the city limits, and the wagon by Mr. Eichner, butcher, Pennsylvania avenue. Dr. Hitch, Liberty road, recognized the buffalo-robe and some of the harness recovered on Thursday, as stolen from his place about a year ago, and Mr. Smith Madison identified by a private mark a quantity of taweling. Previous to the removal of the goods to the station-house yesterday, quite a crowd of curious spectators collected at Hertz's house, and some one proposed that the goods be knocked down at auction, to the highest bidder. The proposition was not agreed to by the police, and the goods were brought to the station, where the