

WEEKLY REVIEW.

By order of Surgeon J. SIMPSON, U. S. A., Medical Director Middle Department 8th. Army Corps, the Medical Directorship at Annapolis is abolished. Surgeon G. S. PALMER, U. S. Vols., is relieved from duty as Medical Director and takes charge of Gen'l Hospital Div. No. 2, relieving Ass't, Surgeon G. B. PARKER, U. S. Vols., whose destination is for the present unknown..... Another week passed, and June has come to us laden with roses of every variety. Spontaneously springing up in every nook and corner, peeping through every fence and filling the air with fragrance, they seem to have a soothing effect in these times of carnage and suffering. Every one we meet, old and young, flourishes a bouquet, and even the more matter-of-fact individuals, guiltless of sentimentalism and seldom given to admiring "the sweetest thing that God ever made and forgot to put a soul into," are now seen with a bunch of roses in hand, or a delicate bud tastefully inserted in a prominent button-hole. And speaking of flowers, we would remind the benevolent portion of our readers, (which, of course, includes the whole) that we have a number of empty vases in our "sanctum" which could be filled to advantage by any one generously disposed and blessed with an extensive garden.....Sauntering through the gate a few evenings ago with the intention of admiring or criticising the various "styles" peculiar to Annapolis, we came across a long, low, rough, wooden building, opposite the Post Office, and asserting our rights as members of the Press, entered, and were agreeably surprised to find a fair in "full blast," under the auspices of the members of the Presbyterian church.— Everything was au fait, the tables tastefully arranged, the floral display beautiful, the eatables excellent, and the ladies lovely, all presenting a striking contrast to the fair held a month or two ago by our friends of white mice notoriety, where you were almost compelled to purchase articles for which you had no possible use, where rag babies of alarming structure, stupendous cakes of questionable flavor, and young ladies of lottery proclivities formed the principal attraction to the majority of the soft-headed youngsters of Annapolis. But our Presbyterian friends are conducting their fair on a more improved and sensible plan. Their ice cream is honest and genuine, each plate being graced with a conscientious allowance of strawberries. They actually allow you to purchase what you like at reasonable prices, and at each investment, "throw in" an enchanting smile of gratitude, which to some of our soldier boys, to whom, for the last three years, woman has been more a dream than a reality, is quite intoxicating.....On Saturday two of the ladies connected with our Hospital called on President Lincoln, and presented him with a copy of the "Crutch," giving him a complete history of its origin and success. He seemed very much pleased, though strange to relate, it failed to remind him of any story he had heard.....Surgeon G. S. PALMER, U. S. Vols., recently appointed Medical Director at this place, arrived on Monday, and on Tuesday assumed his duties.....Tuesday morning about 250 patients were transferred from Divisions 1 and 2 to General Hospital at Annapolis Junction.....Last week's "Crutch" was eagerly sought after, and many were seriously disappointed, the supply being unequal to the demand. We are glad to see that literature is properly appreciated in Annapolis and shall endeavor to fill all orders in future. We regret that our New York contemporaries are so incensed at our refusing to exchange with them but unless they hold out better inducements we cannot comply with their requests..... Governor Bradford has commissioned H. P. Leslie Superintendent of buildings &c. of the Naval Academy as "Notary Public" to act in conjunction with the U. S. Sanitary Commission in preparing all papers necessary for the securing of pensions, back pay &c., to the inmates of the Government Hospitals in this section of the state. All enlisted men, their widows or orphan children can have their papers prepared and legalized free of charge at the office of the Sanitary Commission, Gen'l Hosp. Div. No. 1. By this arrangement soldiers and their friends will be saved much trouble and expense.— Paroled men, desirous of securing their commutation of rations while prisoners, can call on Mr. L. and make the necessary affidavits required by the Commissary General.

Strawberries.

We are sorry to believe that the Strawberry season is nearly over, for we esteem this, not only one of the most delicious fruits of the earth, but a great Socializer.— Healthful and beautiful, it is welcomed alike, by sick and well. From time to time, we have been favored with invitations to look in upon the Strawberry Festivals given by the ladies to the extra duty men. No occasion gives better promise of a good time, than one of these rare treats, where the tables are garnished with pyramids of scarlet fruit, and flowers fresh from the gardens in our midst, interspersed among viands, that might tempt an epicure.

We believe each Section in the yard has had its Festival, and hope other seasons may be as prolific of as much pleasure to the inmates of the Naval School, as the strawberry season has been.

Editors are sometimes in the way, but they are on the whole lucky fellows; at least, we thought so, when we found ourselves the other day, of the pleasant party, who took seats in the "white boat" on the polite invitation of Mr. Merrifield, and were rowed, as if by magic "up Severn," to where the strawberries grow. There was the sovereign fruit at home, occupying a whole mountain-side of room, and growing to such sizes, as would be useless to describe, since no one, would believe the story! We were surprised to learn through the gentleman proprietor of this wealth, that the banks of the Severn supply the Philadelphia market abundantly with strawberries, and that they are conspicuous there, for their fine flavor and superior condition, having all the properties of the highest cultivated fruit, combined with a fibre caught from the soil, that gives it compactness, and thus facilitates transportation. As we returned with painted mouths and fingers, from our delightful fete champetre, we could do no less than commiserate our friends at home, behind Strawberry time, and hope every loyal Yankee in the land might have at some future time our "Chateau in Spain," but what is better, a strawberry farm in Dixie.

To Correspondents.

"Wedded at Last."—Accepted.
"Lines."—by J. S. M. We feel obliged to decline in favor of other unpublished verses we have not found space for in our crowded columns.
"A Brother's Tribute."—has much poetical merit, but it is so defective in rhythm, that we would respectfully suggest to the author, that he try his hand in a new measure.
"Tales for the Crutch."—are too bushy for our columns, unless the author will permit us to curtail their fair proportions.

Report of Changes in Division No. 1.

B. A. VANDERKIEFT, SURGEON IN CHARGE.

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