

Mr. Kirkley describes scene in street on the night of surrender of Richmond. He was here and went with the crowd which gathered about the War Department. This was the old building; Stanton's office was on third floor, opening on a portico on Pennsylvania avenue. He came out and held up little Chandler to the crowd as the messenger who had received the dispatch of the surrender; the crowd cheered and howled and then invaded a well-known beer saloon on the corner. Everybody took a drink and then they went out and cheered. This was kept up until morning. Mr. Kirkley said that even temperate men considered a man a fool who did not get drunk that night. There was no fence or road between the White House and the old War and Navy Departments. Where the road now runs was grass and large trees. A walk led from White House to a point midway between the two departments, then divided, one going to the east end of each building, where there was a side entrance with rather high steps; it was by this route Mr. Kirkley says, that Mr. Lincoln always went to the War Department.