

NEWS OF ALEXANDRIA

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Mr. Burke was born in Caroline county, eighty-two years old. Coming to Alexandria in early life, he formed a partnership with Col. Arthur Herbert for a banking business. This was suspended at the time of the civil war, but was reopened in 1865. Though he devoted the greater part of his life to his business, Mr. Burke was a public-spirited man and found time to serve as a member of the board of aldermen about twenty years ago, and also to represent the First ward on the city school board.

His wife and six children survive him. His children are Julian T. Burke, Harry Burke, Edmund Burke, Miss Fannie Burke, Miss Virginia Burke, and Mrs. Charles B. Eddy. The deceased was twice married, his first wife having been Miss Julia Thompson, of Baltimore. His second wife was Miss Martha Jefferson Trist, daughter of the late N. P. T. Trist. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Christ Episcopal Church.

Street Improvements.

A conference between Mayor Paff and representatives of the Washington and Southern Railway and the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway was held this afternoon in the mayor's office, when the matter of extending the street improvements on King street to the new union passenger station, was discussed at length. It was agreed that there is an imperative demand for the work, as the dirt highway between the corporation line and the passenger station is wholly unsuited for service in the winter time. As the most of the course lies in Alexandria county, it was decided to hold a special meeting some weeks later for conference with the county supervisors concerning the expenses of the work. In the meantime an estimate of the cost will be made by City Engineer Dunn.

Several Injured in Wreck.

A wreck occurred this morning near St. Elmo on the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway, when the train which left here at 7:30 crashed into the rear of the train which is scheduled to leave at 7:10. Many of the passengers became excited over the collision and some jumped out of the windows. It is said that several were painfully, though not seriously, injured. The trailer of the train in front was badly damaged. The train in front was said to be running behind its schedule time.

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Danville, Va., Nov. 8.—Sheriff Beaud' of Amherst county, a prominent Virginian, was fatally hurt by a train here to-night, having both legs cut off.

Always the Same

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HISTORIC HOUSE DESTROYED.

George Washington and Andrew Jackson Were Its Guests.

Special to The Washington Herald. Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 8.—The Mansion House, Salisbury's oldest, and one of the most celebrated mansions of Western North Carolina, was completely destroyed this morning by a fire that swept the entire mansion block. With it went two jewelry stores, two markets, the Salisbury Jewelry Company's store, and a dwelling. The loss is estimated at \$60,000.

The Mansion House is on the spot where Gen. Greene, of Revolutionary fame, received the money of Elizabeth Maxwell Steele. George Washington spoke there, and Andrew Jackson was a boarder. It is the last of the historic points in this city.

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Blaze in Charleston Causes \$300,000 Property Loss.

Special to The Washington Herald. Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 8.—A spark from a piece of steel on the elevator shaft, which ignited a box of gum of camphor in the wholesale grocery establishment of the Ruffner Brothers, Kanawha street, caused the death of two men, serious injury to two others, and a pecuniary loss of \$300,000 this morning. The dead are John J. Foley, one of the fire captains, and John Dewey, clerk for Esquew, Smith & Cannon. The injured are Ben Clever and Oscar Botkin, the latter hurt so badly that his life is despaired of. Clever will recover.

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Form of Maryland Ballot Contributed to Republican's Defeat.

Indications Are that 7,378 Votes Were Cast Out in the City of Baltimore.

Special to The Washington Herald. Baltimore, Md., Nov. 8.—The supervisors of election, engaged in making the official count in the election had finished counting twelve wards to-night and thrown out 3,689 ballots. Twelve wards represent half the city, which would indicate that a total of 7,378 voters were disfranchised by the cumbersome ticket. It bore no party emblem.

Considering that the ignorant whites in both parties are numerically equal, the Republicans must have suffered the greater loss through the negro vote. If this ratio is maintained throughout the State, the form of the ballot, created by the Democrats, should be calculated among the causes for Republican defeat.

The total vote cast in the twelve wards was 42,964. In Baltimore city, Gaither, Republican, got 41,000, and Crothers, Democrat, 45,000. Crothers' plurality in the State is near 5,000. The corrections, by wards, follow: First, 201; Second, 352; Third, 299; Fourth, 218; Fifth, 225; Sixth, 404; Seventh, 237; Eighth, 415; Ninth, 257; Tenth, 231; Eleventh, 278; Twelfth, 181, or one in every twelve votes.

Church Fair a Success.

Special to The Washington Herald. Rockville, Md., Nov. 8.—The Cemetery Association of St. Mary's Church here, held its annual fair at the town hall Thursday night. A nice sum was realized from the sales of fancy articles and edibles, which will be used in putting the cemetery grounds in repair and prosecuting other improvements.

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DRUCE CASE STIRS LONDON

Excentric Nobleman Who Died as Bachelor, Said to Have Had Wife and Children—New Yorker Important Witness in Present Proceedings—Stewart's Will Recalled.

London, Nov. 8.—After a rest of ten years the Druce case has recaptured public interest.

It will be remembered that Anna Maria Druce tried unsuccessfully some months ago to obtain the consent of the court to the opening of a vault in the Highgate cemetery for the purpose of establishing the identity, or otherwise, of the eccentric fifth Duke of Portland with "T. C. Druce," founder of a bazaar on Baker street, behind the counter of which he attended personally.

George Hollamby Druce, formerly a carpenter in Australia, a grandson of the late T. C. Druce, lays claim to the great Portland estates, now beneficially held by Lord Howard de Walden. He now accuses Herbert Druce, T. C. Druce's second son, of perjury in swearing some time ago that he saw his father lying dead in his coffin in 1864. The claimant alleges that no death occurred then, but that the fifth Duke of Portland ordered and carried out a mock funeral when he decided to end his career as "Druce."

Died Without Known Issue.

The position of the parties may briefly be summarized as follows: George Hollamby Druce claims against Lord Howard de Walden that portion of the Portland heritage known as the Middlesex estate, which is held by de Walden from his mother, the late dowager, who inherited it from her brother, the fifth Duke of Portland. The fifth Duke, as "Druce," died without known heirs. Thereupon the estate, according to the will of the fourth Duke, went to the fifth Duke's sister.

George Hollamby Druce claims it on the ground that he is the grandson of the fifth Duke of Portland, who, he says, lived a double life as T. C. Druce of the Baker street bazaar, and as such married and had children. As the Duke of Portland died in 1864, Lord Howard de Walden contends that the duke and Druce were two distinct men.

Intense public interest was shown in today's proceedings and admission to seats was taken by ticket only.

Mock Funeral Carried Out.

Robert Caldwell, of New York, who recently arrived in England to testify in the case, besides declaring that "Druce" told him he was the Duke of Portland, says that, in conjunction with the duke, he carried out the duke's "death" and mock funeral, so that the personality of Druce should be disposed of.

To-day he told how he was introduced to the fifth Duke of Portland by the late Sir Morrell Mackenzie, the throat specialist; how he had visited Welbeck Abbey, the duke's seat, and how a close friendship had been formed between them. He said that he traveled several times from Welbeck Abbey to London with the duke and went to the Baker street bazaar while he was staying with the duke as his guest.

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