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300 dozen of 14-inch-square All-linen Fringed Napkins, damask patterns, in all white and colored borders.....2¾c. each.

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All white and colored bordered knotted fringed Damask Towels, size 22x48, showy attractive borders.....22c. each.

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12½c. QUALITY SOFT-FINISH 36-INCH PERCALINE, IN GUARANTEED FAST BLACK AND ALL COLORS—FOR MONDAY.....7¾c.

18c. QUALITY ALL-LINEN STIFF CANVAS, IN BLACK ONLY — FOR MONDAY, SPECIAL AT.....13c.

AN ALL-WOOL EXTRA QUALITY OF BLACK MOREEN, IN SKIRT PATTERNS. WORTH $2.50 A PATTERN—FOR MONDAY, SPECIAL PRICE, AT.....$1.75

20c. QUALITY SATEEN-FINISH BLACK-BACK FIG. WAIST LINING—FOR MONDAY AT.14c.

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A revised list of a part of our entire stock at reduced prices for the coming week.

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STATED ELECTIONS.

Local Societies Choose Officers for Ensuing Terms.

The following have been elected officers of National Council, No. 220, National Union, for the ensuing year: E. C. Ford, president (eleventh successive term); W. A. Petriken, vice president; W. S. Detwiler, ex-president; A. C. Parker, speaker; G. P. Hoskinson, recording secretary; H. W. Scammell, financial secretary; E. W. Wood, chaplain; W. S. Detwiler, treasurer; N. J. Plass, usher; H. G. Zoliner, sergeant-at-arms; Pietro Livigni, doorkeeper; trustees, J. McK. Elker, W. S. Detwiler and E. J. Sacks; delegates to cabinet, A. C. Parker and W. S. Detwiler; delegate to immediate relief, E. C. Ford; delegate to fraternal congress, E. C. Ford; delegates to assembly, G. P. Hoskinson and A. C. Parker; alternates, W. A. Petriken and H. W. Scammell.

Treasury Council, No. 200, National Union, at the annual meeting held Wednesday evening, elected the following officers for the year 1898: President, Theo. L. De Land; vice president, E. C. Fawcett; speaker, D. W. Keck; secretary, John P. Reed, financial secretary, J. W. Harsha; treasurer, N. C. Martin; chaplain, O. S. Firmin; usher, W. D. Ritner; sergeant-at-arms, John Newman; sentinel, J. S. Van Arsdale; trustees, C. G. Rapp, E. C. Fawcett, F. G. Collins; member board immediate relief, J. W. Harsha; delegates to cabinet, T. L. De Land, O. S. Firmin.

Capital Branch, 142, National Association Letter Carriers, has elected the following officers for 1898: President, Allan R. Searle; vice president, Edward Kines; secretary, Howard Fisher; treasurer, S. H. Stutzman; financial secretary, J. C. King; trustees, C. H. Rittenhouse, F. L. Floyd, George Galleher; collector M. B. Association, T. J. Keady.

At the annual election of Takoma Lodge, No. 29, F. A. A. M., the following officers were chosen: Horace J. Long, W. M.; H. M. Camp, S. W.; O. D. Summy, J. W.; J. K. Depue, secretary; C. M. Heaton, treasurer; Rev. Luther B. Wilson, chaplain; F. J. Woodman, M. of C.; E. J. Perry, S. D.; O. J. Eddy, J. D.; Ashley M. Gould, S. S.; W. T. Andrews, J. S.; L. F. Dudley, tiler. Proxies to the Grand Lodge, H. M. Bennett, J. B. Kinnear, A. E. Burrows; delegate Masonic board of relief, O. J. Eddy; delegate and proxy to St. John's Mite Society, Joseph Burroughs and W. T. Andrews; trustee for next three years, W. G. Piatt.

The Microscopical Society of Washington has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: President, A. A. Adee; vice president, Robert Reyburn, M. D.; recording secretary, L. M. Mooers; corresponding secretary, H. H. Doubleday; treasurer, E. A. Gibbs, M. D.; curator, Wm. H. Seaman, M. D.

Federal Council 217, American Legion of Honor, has elected the following officers for the year 1898: Commander, J. Weed Corey; vice commander, Dangerfield Parker; orator, Wm. M. Gibson; past commander, Lewis Cohn; secretary, John R. Collette; collector, John P. Garrett; treasurer, Wm. Thomas; chaplain, Chas. B. Caywood; guide, Henry L. Frazier; warden, Eugene Goldin; sentry, Clarence A. Wilson; trustee, Wm. Deitz; medical examiner, John T. Winter; alternate medical examiner, Geo. B. Corey.

The ladies of the G. A. R. have elected the following officers for ensuing term: President, Mrs. Fannie Calvert; S. V. P., Mrs. Emma Pettys; J. V. P., Mrs. Ada Green; chaplain, Mrs. H. M. Bollinger; treasurer, Mrs. Sarah S. Thorne (re-elected); conductress, Mrs. A. M. Power; guard, Mrs. Mary Engle (re-elected); delegate, Mrs. Sarah S. Thorne; alternate, Mrs. Lillian Overacker. Inspection of circle will take place the next regular meeting night, December 28, by Mrs. Florence C. George.

The Confederate Veterans' Association met at their hall, corner of E and 11th streets, last evening, for the election of officers for the ensuing year. The meeting was free from the usual contentions and heated discussions usual on such occasions. Some speechmaking was indulged in by a number of the newly elected officers. The association adjourned at an early hour.

The election resulted as follows: Col. Robert I. Fleming, president; Franklin H. Mackey, first vice president; Gen. L. L. Lomax, second vice president; Capt. Chas. C. Ivey, secretary; George H. Ingraham, financial secretary; R. M. Harrover, treasurer; J. H. McCaffrey, sergeant-at-arms; Rev. Dr. R. H. McKim, chaplain; Dr. J. L. Suddarth and Dr. W. P. Manning, surgeons. The election of the executive, relief and reception committees, respectively, will occur at the first regular meeting in January.

The Epworth League of Grace M. E. Church held its annual meeting last evening at the church. The following officers were elected for 1898: S. A. Terry, president; Mrs. F. A. Jones, first vice president; Miss Bertha S. Davis, second vice president; Lewis L. Smith, third vice president; Thomas G. Young, fourth vice president; L. T. Jones, secretary; Samuel Scrivener, treasurer.

At the meeting of Government Printing Office Council, No. 211, National Union, held Thursday evening, December 16, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. F. Grant; vice president, Jas. W. Hughes; speaker, F. C. Roberts; ex-president, Fred A. Hall; secretary, J. Dierken; financial secretary, Chas. H. Leeds; treasurer, Geo. A. Whitford; chaplain, Isaac C. Haas; usher, W. M. Garrett; sergeant-at-arms, W. S. Sill; doorkeeper, A. P. Beatty; trustees, J. R. Lamson, M. Barringer, T. M. Ring; delegates to cabinet, F. A. Hall, C. M. Robinson, Chas. T. Hendler; delegates to assembly, C. M. Robinson, Fred A. Hall, J. F. Grant; delegate to Immediate Relief Association, Chas. H. Leeds.

St. Teresa's Branch, No. 591, Catholic Knights of America, met Thursday night and elected the following officers: John Madigan, president; James W. Bartley, vice president; Thomas Kane, financial secretary; Frank Finnott, recording secretary; Thomas Bailey, treasurer; trustees, Messrs. John F. Reagan, James Toner and P. J. Hartigan.

Section No. 3316, Endowment Rank, Knights of Pythias, at its annual meeting Friday night elected officers as follows: Edward G. Niles, president; G. Milton Thomas, vice president, and Ben. C. McQuay, secretary.

The Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, at a recent meeting, elected the following officers, to serve for the ensuing year: President, Jas. R. Nash; vice president, Jos. O'Donnell; recording and corresponding secretary, R. E. Grigsby; financial secretary, G. F. Lowe; treasurer, Wm. B. Soper; conductor, John George; doorkeeper, B. O'Donnell; chaplain, Jas. A. Davis; representative to convention, Jas. R. Nash; delegates to Federation of Labor, James O'Donnell, Geo. F. Lowe, Wm. B. Soper, B. O'Donnell, Jas. R. Nash.

At a stated meeting of Bethlehem Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, held the evening of the 14th instant, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Mrs. Mary R. Burklin, worthy matron; Mr. F. J. Randolph, worthy patron; Mrs. Nellie M. Landergren, associate matron; Mrs. Jennie A. Meyer, secretary (re-elected); Mrs. Mary E. Hussey, treasurer (re-elected); Mrs. Lillie A. Randolph, conductress; Mrs. Esther M. Gregory, associate conductress.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing Masonic year, by the organizations named:

Eureka Lodge, No. 5—Worshipful master, John B. Hyman; senior warden, John H. Cook; junior warden, John T. Layton; treasurer, L. C. Bailey; secretary, Edward Watson.

Prince Hal Lodge, No. 14—Worshipful master, J. W. Cole; senior warden, J. G. Hutchins; junior warden, Dr. F. J. Cardozo; treasurer, D. B. McCary; secretary, Samuel B. Jackson.

Rev. Dr. Williams' Lecture.

"St. Paul—His Life and Travels," an illustrated lecture by Rev. Richard P. Williams, will be given Tuesday, December 21, in Trinity Parish Hall, 3d street and Indiana avenue northwest. This lecture will be beautifully illustrated by over 100 views, and will give all the interesting facts in the life of St. Paul, with a full account of his famous missionary journeys, including a description of the routes traversed and the ancient cities visited. Sacred music will be interspersed by Professor Schubert's Orchestra. The stereopticon will be in charge of Mr. Hough. This lecture was postponed from Tuesday, 14th, because of the inclemency of the weather.

Lecture on Ben Hur.

Dr. Thomas J. Jones delivered an interesting lecture on Ben Hur at the First Baptist Church last evening before a good-sized audience. Mrs. Thomas C. Noyes, accompanied by Mr. R. E. Prescott, sang, in excellent style, "My Redeemer and My Lord," by Buck, and "The Birthday of the King," by Campbell-Tipton. The stereopticon views were beautiful.

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SUBURBAN NEWS

KENSINGTON.

Mrs. Mary White of Brightwood, who has been spending some time with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Mannakee, will leave on Tuesday next for California, to be absent two years.

Mrs. Paul E. Detrick and children of Bushfield, Va., are spending a week with Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Detrick.

The council committee for devising the town charter has finished its labors and will present that instrument to the citizens for ratification at a meeting called for this evening at the Noyes Library. A mayor and four councilmen are provided for, to serve two years, half of the latter to be elected each year. The mayor appoints all town officers, and has the powers of a justice of the peace. The tax levy is to be increased from 20 to 50 cents per $100, and delinquent taxes can be collected by sale of property after one year. Sidewalks are to be laid at the expense of abutting property. The town limits are slightly increased, so as to include North Kensington. The usual police and sanitary legislator is provided for, including a garbage and scavenger tax of 50 cents per month. A proposition to bond the town for $10,000 for street improvements will also be brought before the citizens' meeting.

Miss Clare Mannakee is at home from the Fairview Seminary, at Gaithersburg, and will remain till after the holidays.

The cantata, "How We Waited for Santa Claus," which was given by the members of the Warner Memorial Presbyterian Sunday school so successfully a year ago, will be repeated this year.

Miss Mollie Thomas has returned from a month's visit with relatives in Frederick.

A meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held at the home of Mrs. A. H. Kinnear, with Mrs. W. W. Eldridge, president of the union, in the chair. Mrs. Edgar W. Moore tendered her resignation as secretary and Mrs. C. B. Smith was appointed in her stead. A report from Miss Florence Thomas, superintendent of the Loyal Legion, was very encouraging, there being about thirty-five members and more joining at every meeting. Mrs. J. W. Blackburn read a temperance poem. In the afternoon Mrs. A. E. Hart presided. Mrs. Herbert W. Lewis read an original paper on the origin and benefit of mothers' meetings, which was much enjoyed. A general discussion on the management of children followed, after which the meeting adjourned to meet the fourth Thursday in January at the home of Mrs. Bruce Thomas.

The annual meeting of the Noyes Library Literary Society was held Wednesday evening at the library. Last year's officers were all re-elected, as follows: Mr. W. W. Eldridge, president; Miss Elma Ray, vice president; Mr. S. A. Lehman, secretary, and Miss Florence Thomas, treasurer. Initiation dues are to be turned into the treasury of the Noyes Library Association in consideration of the occupancy of the library room as a home for the literary society. It is hoped this arrangement will provide for the running expenses of the library and for the purchase of much-desired new books and magazines. The evening's program opened with a medley of popular airs on the piano by Mr. H. L. Amiss, after which Judge Alphonso Hart delivered a well-prepared lecture on the influence of songs upon the character of individuals and nations. He traced to their origin many of the cradle songs, love songs and hymns of battle and of devotion that have ruled nations and become household property to the world. He paid a touching tribute to the memory of the President's mother, around whose deathbed were sung the hymns she loved so well. Miss Florence Thomas read the origin of "Yankee Doodle," and the evening's program closed by the audience singing "America."

On Sunday evening, December 26, at the Presbyterian Church, there will be a special song service and Rev. James T. Marshall will talk to the children.

FALLS CHURCH.

At the last meeting of the town council accounts for work in third ward for last year, $10, Sergeant Soule, $4, and James Johnson, $7.50, were ordered paid. The annual compensation of the town clerk was fixed at $60, this to include percentage for assessing the property of the town and making up the tax books. Ten dollars was allowed the clerk for extra meetings and services. The W., A. and F. C. Railroad Company was granted the privilege of constructing a switch and side track in 1st street extending from the present side track by a curve into the lot owned by the company at the corner of 1st and Washington streets.

Mr. Geo. W. Hawxhurst, grand secretary of the Good Templars, organized a new lodge of the order at Lincolnia Wednesday night. He was assisted by Messrs. C. M. Rathbun of Pioneer and Rev. E. W. Wakefield, G. E. Wilson and J. L. Besley of Enterprise lodges. The following officers were elected and installed: W. T. Bayliss, chief templar; Miss Mary James, vice templar; Geo. H. A. Daniels, secretary; Jay Cassedy, financial secretary; George White, treasurer; Henry B. James, marshal; Miss Daisy Mill Keyes, chaplain; Miss Jessie A. Bayliss, guard; W. H. Marcher, sentinel; Mrs. America Keyes, superintendent of juvenile temples. Wednesday night was selected as night of meeting.

Pioneer Lodge of Good Templars was visited on Tuesday night by a delegation from Columbia Lodge of Washington and an address made by Mr. E. J. Jones, grand chief templar of the District of Columbia. It was decided to hold the debate between Pioneer and Columbia lodges on Tuesday night, December 28.

Miss Julia Brown has sold to Dr. J. B. Gould several lots at East End.

Mr. L. L. McCreery of Iowa delivered a lecture on "A Search for Happiness" at Odd Fellows' Hall on Monday night, under the auspices of the Village Improvement Society. The speaker was introduced by Mr. L. B. Parker, president of the society. Other parts of the program of the evening consisted of a solo by Miss Eva Birch and an instrumental selection by Mrs. M. M. Erwin.

The ladies' societies of the several churches met Thursday afternoon, the Baptists at the home of Mrs. G. F. McInturff, the Presbyterians at Mrs. L. B. Parker's and the Methodists at Mrs. H. A. D. Crocker's.

Miss Nellie E. Hawxhurst, who has been visiting relatives in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut for several weeks, returned home Friday.

HERNDON.

Rev. Dr. Mason having resigned as pastor of the Congregational Church, resolutions were unanimously passed at a meeting of the church reciting that the beloved pastor having passed four score years of his pilgrimage and a half century in the ministry, and eleven years in the pastorate of that church, with intellect unimpaired, and ardor, zeal and interest in the labor for the Master unabated, owing to physical ailments had deemed it best for the welfare of the church to tender his resignation, which had been accepted with reluctance and regret, and resolving that the church extends to him expressions of high regard, esteem and love. It was voted to spread the resolutions on the records of the church.

The Fortnightly Club met at the residence of Major John S. Duffie on Saturday last. A parliamentary drill was conducted by Mrs. Duffie, after which the club proceeded to study the life, character and works of the Poet Shelley. Many interesting biographical sketches and selections of verse were given by Miss Kittie Newhall of Washington. The members and friends present were Mrs. Stephenson, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Duffie, and Misses Ida and Lula Casteleman, Catharine, Annie and Ellen Thornton, Maud Yount, Ethel Mankin, Kittie Newhall, Fannie Stroud, Bessie Ryan, Sidney Duffie and Mary Buell.

The "Ladies' Aid" met on Thursday, with Mrs. Jacob Starr, in all-day session. Those present were Mrs. J. K. Mason, Mrs. E. B. Simonds, Mrs. C. M. Burton, Mrs. I. Bready, Mrs. B. H. Bready, Mrs. Eva Ballou, Mrs. P. B. Buell, Mrs. F. D. Stephenson, Mrs. Bender, Mrs. L. Ryan, Mrs. W. D. Sweetser, Mrs. Fannie McNeill, Miss Amanda Bready and Miss Mary Burton.

Mr. James Thompson of Aspen, Col., has rented the parsonage recently vacated by Dr. Mason.

Col. Stephens arrived home from his extended hunting excursion Wednesday evening.

The Sunday schools are making preparations for the Christmas exercises.

FAIRFAX COURT HOUSE.

The various Sunday schools are busily preparing for their Christmas entertainments. The Episcopalians will have theirs Christmas eve, and the members of the Jerusalem Baptist school have decided upon the following Tuesday evening as their date. The Southern Methodist school will hold its entertainment during Christmas week, but the evening has not yet been decided upon.

The school trustees of Falls Church district have selected Miss Pearl Howard as teacher of Ilda school.

Henry Lodge of Masons held a special meeting Wednesday evening and conferred the third degree upon three candidates.

The pie party in Union Hall Saturday afternoon for the benefit of Star of Hope Juvenile Temple was a very pleasant affair.

Mr. Samuel Boteler of Washington and Miss Sallie Washburn of this county were married Wednesday in the Church of the Good Shepherd by Rev. W. H. K. Pendleton.

The county clerk has issued a marriage license to J. W. Walter and Annie Ritzman.

ROCKVILLE.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court: Fannie B. Davis to Elisha Miles, 116 acres of land near Woodfield; $2,000. Wm. E. Differderfer to Mary L. C. Earle, 3½ lots in Chevy Chase; $—. Jas. Alby to Henderson, trustee, to George H. Morningstar, 5¼ acres of land near Buck Lodge; $620. Olive R. Wolff to Wm. Wolff, in Hyattstown; $—. Richard Case to county commissioners, right of way; $—. Samuel E. Hill to Thomas Hill, 134 acres of land; $650.50. B. H. Warner to George Watson, lot in Kensington; $2,250. B. H. Warner to Marshall B. Cushman, lot in Kensington; $3,150. B. H. Warner to Robert S. Shepherd, lot in Kensington; $2,250. B. H. Warner to Benjamin T. Snyder, two lots in Kensington Park; $—. Geo. W. F. Swartzell to Cummings & Williams, a lot at Forest Glen; $250. Forest Glen Investment Company to Cummings & Williams, two lots at Forest Glen; $625. H. Maurice Talbott, attorney, to Morgan Goddard, 71 acres of land, part of Ashley; $1,200. Lavinia Davis to Rufus K. Day, two tracts of land near Brookeville; $3,000. Alice V. Burns to Rufus K. Day, 19½ acres of land near Brookeville; $300.

The pulpit at the Baptist church, this place, will be filled by Elder John Kingdon until a regular pastor is installed.

The Darnestown Literary Society, after an adjournment of two years, met Friday night at the residence of Mr. Benoni Allnutt and reorganized by electing the following officers: President, Milton G. Durby; vice president, Charles Allnutt; secretary, Miss Julia Allnutt; editress, Mrs. Robert W. Allnutt; treasurer, Arthur Williams. After the election of officers the following program was rendered: Address by Wm. J. Williams; music, Miss Nannie Allnutt; recitation, Miss Mary Chiswell; music, Miss Nannie Pyles; recitation, Miss Emily Williams; reading, Milton Darby; recitation, Miss Gena Jones; recitation, Miss Chiswell; declamation, Dawson Williams.

A meeting of the county commissioners was held Tuesday. A proposition has been made to the commissioners by the company now having possession of the Rockville and Georgetown turnpike to turn the same over to the county authorities for the sum of $500, which the company claims it has expended for surveys, maps, etc. The proposition is held under advisement. The following bills for public service were passed and ordered to be paid: Sewell R. Duley, piking, $30.15; R. T. White, road, $84.85; R. T. Burdette, road, $31.37; R. G. Mullinix, road, $33.30; Charles G. Duffel, bridge, $30; Cornelius Leizear, road, $39.65; Allegany County Asylum, board of county inmates, $90.

The M. L. Club of Darnestown district held its December meeting at the residence of Mrs. Wm. Hempstone at Seneca Thursday evening. An election of officers for the ensuing year was held, resulting in the choice of Mrs. E. H. Darby as president and Miss Lula M. Windsor secretary. The following program was rendered: "A Rhyme of a Ride," original poem, by Mrs. Yeakel; a composition, "Thanksgiving Day," Miss Madie Fisher; "The First Thanksgiving Day in New England," selection, read by Mrs. Broome; "A Thanksgiving Greeting," original poem by Mrs. H. G. Reading, read by Mrs. Nourse; a selection, "Said in Passing," read by Mrs. Nelson; "The Idea and the Feast," read by Miss L. M. Windsor; "Five Grains of Corn," read by Mrs. James Beall; "Reasons for Thanksgiving," selected, by Miss Maggie Beall. At the conclusion of the exercises refreshments were served.

Sheriff Thompson Tuesday appointed Mr. W. E. Connell as warden of the county jail. He has had a long experience in this position, having served for eight years under different sheriffs.

The matrimonial market has been lively in the vicinity of Browningsville lately. Among recent events in that line are the marriage of Mr. Edward Beale and Miss Imogene Poole, Mr. Ernest King and Miss Lola Lawson, Mr. Winsor Davis and Miss Nora Browning. Rev. J. L. Elderdice of the Methodist Protestant Church was the officiating minister in each event.

Prospect M. E. Church, near Mt. Airy, was rededicated the 12th instant, having been torn down and rebuilt at a cost of $3,500. About $2,500 of the amount was raised in cash and subscription the day of dedication. The musical portion of the ceremony was in charge of Prof. Walker, with Misses Maude Hobbs and Cora Purdum as organists, and Messrs. Wm. L. Purdum, Luther M. Burdette, G. M. Walker and Jason Mullinix as cornetists. Rev. St. Clair Neale of Baltimore and Dr. Wagner, president of Morgan College, delivered sermons on the occasion.

The clerk of the circuit court has issued marriage licenses to the following parties: George G. Greenfield and Estha M. Pryor, Bernhard Reinheld and Kate Weisser.

Mr. Zach. A. Briggs of Gaithersburg district recently butchered a hog weighing 609 pounds. The head weighed 56 pounds.

In the orphans' court Tuesday the following business was transacted: Wm. Rich, administrator of Charles W. Rich, deceased, passed first and final account and made distribution of the assets in