

LOCAL MATTERS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES, April 28, 1880. For the Middle Atlantic States stationary, possibly followed by falling barometer, diminishing westerly winds, possibly shifting to warmer southerly, partly cloudy weather.

CITY COUNCIL.

At a regular monthly meeting of the City Council held last night.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The Board of Aldermen was called to order by the President, C. C. Smoot, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. J. B. Smoot said that he had a letter from the Finance Committee of the City Council, dated Monday night, in which they recommended that the City Council should not pass a resolution providing for the appointment of two members of the Board of Aldermen to represent the interest of the city.

The resolution was adopted, and the chair appointed on the part of the Board Messrs. J. B. Smoot and Henry Strauss.

Mr. Smoot requested to be excused from serving as one of the proxies, as he was a stockholder in the company.

Mr. Smoot was excused, and the chair appointed Colonel L. W. Reid to his stead.

Mr. Strauss called up the report of the Committee on Light on a resolution submitted by him regarding the price of gas, presented to the Board some time ago.

The report was read by the clerk, showing that if the committee could be relieved from any part of the Finance Committee, all or any part of the present revenue derived from the consumption of gas, that article could be reduced to about \$1.50 per thousand feet.

Mr. Strauss explained why the committee had not presented a bill on the subject, and said in view of the many questions to be considered, they thought it best to refer the matter back to the Council, with the suggestions embodied in the report for their direct action.

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what were the legal obligations with respect to the matter, and enable Council to vote understandingly.

Mr. Javis said the committee knew, as did every member of Council, that those men who claimed to be policemen had taken a paper which was not vacant, and had served against the rights of the City Council. The Mayor had employed them, and they had no right to come to Council for pay. They knew, as did the gentlemen from the Third ward, that the Finance Committee had told them they were not policemen, and decided to take their bonds. For one he was opposed to allowing military dictation, and would never vote a cent to those men, who knew that they served the Mayor in a contract with the City Council. The Council had already directed the Auditor not to pay them, and that order had never been repealed. Mr. Douglas said the question was whether the Mayor had the power to appoint regular policemen. It was time to make the issue now.

Mr. McLean thought somebody ought to pay these policemen, but it was not the Council. Mr. McL. quoted the law: "In the event of the removal of an officer by his order, he (the Mayor) shall communicate the fact, with a reason therefor, without delay, to the City Council, that the vacancy may be filled." This, he said, was quite plain.

Mr. Evans said most of the times which these men served was before Council elected them to fill the vacancies created by the Mayor. It might not be palatable, but Council would be compelled to pay this money sooner or later. It was only a question whether Council should pay now or be compelled by the courts to pay hereafter.

Mr. Javis did not believe that there was any country on the face of the earth which was governed by a despotism so complete as some people seem to suppose exist under the powers claimed for the Mayor of Alexandria, and as derived by him from the State constitution. For one he would never vote a cent to sustain the Mayor's usurpations.

Mr. Evans said the City of Alexandria was responsible for the official acts of the Mayor.

Mr. Javis introduced the following: Whereas it is the common rumor upon the streets and has also found its way into the public prints of this city and abroad, that a state of lawlessness exists in this city, and that attempts at assassination and other violence have been openly committed upon the person and property of some of its citizens, and that no effort has been or is now being made by those having control of the police of the city to arrest and punish the perpetrators of such outrages, and whereas in consequence of such outrages, and the well calculated to produce the impression that such acts are tolerated by this community and thereby work serious injury to the material interests and business prospects of our city as well as a reflection upon our people, therefore be it

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The President. Has the resolution a second, no answer.

Mr. Evans. Mr. President, I would record the resolution if I saw in it the least splinter of anything that I could find anything to do with, but I do not believe in the kind. Such resolutions belong to the grand jury and not to the members of Council. Mr. Evans said that the Corporation Court and the Commonwealth's Attorney were covered by the law with making investigations of this kind.

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this form will not come up owing to the necessary absence of the attorneys in the case, who are in attendance upon the Circuit Court of Loudoun.

The case of the United States against the estate of Seec is set for this term. It is thought that the Judge while in the city will make some disposition of the case of Nowland and Ballinger, now confined in jail here, and his order transferring them to the Washington authorities where they are indicted before the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia for an assault with intent to kill.

PRIMARY ELECTION.—Nearly all the arrangements for the conservative primary election, to be held on Thursday, the 6th day of May, to select candidates for Commonwealth's Attorney, City Sergeant and Commissioner of the Revenue, to be voted for at the general election, on Thursday the 27th day of May, have been completed, and there is very little doubt but that the candidates selected at the primary will be elected at the general election. The people of Alexandria are thoroughly conservative, and whatever may be their difference of opinion on State issues they do not intend to allow those differences to influence them in local affairs, and the temporary movement on the part of a few republicans, under the guise of reactionism, will pass away, after the election, like the morning dew before the rising sun. While there are at present four political organizations in this city—Democratic conservative, democratic reactionists, Mahone-reactionists and republicans—there will be but two tickets in the field, conservative and republican, and between these two the voters will have to choose. This being the case it does not take a prophet to forebode what the result will be. If the republicans are sharp enough to hoodwink the people of Alexandria with the cry of "we are reactionists," then they deserve credit for more political sagacity, than they had been credited with in the past. Geo. W. Rick, ex-prosecutor candidate for City Sergeant, has withdrawn from the contest entirely.

THE LAST OF THE MOFFETT REGISTER.—The familiar ring of the Moffett register, recording each "passing drink," will soon be no longer heard throughout the borders of the State. The law requiring the register of each drink has been repealed and all saloon keepers and others selling the aidant are required to apply for a direct license at the May term of the Corporation Court. Major Geo. Daffey, Commissioner of the Revenue, has completed his last regular monthly inspection of the register, and was engaged to day in removing the little iron boxes, which have for a long time been an eye sore to those compelled to use them, from their conspicuous places on the bar room counters. They will be sent to Richmond and packed away, to serve as a curiosity for future generations.

FIRE.—The alarm of fire last night about twelve o'clock was caused by the burning of the back portion of a frame house on Union street, between Cameron and Queen, belonging to Mrs. Mary Ann Pease, and occupied by a colored man named Moses Kites. The fire department was quickly on the spot, and succeeded in saving the front part of the building, the loss sustained being only about \$200. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. The house is situated in the National Fire Insurance Company, of Baltimore, of which Mr. Geo. W. Rice is the agent in this city.

PRESIDENT HAYES AT A SHAD BAKE.—The excursion party, consisting of President Hayes, the Board of Health of Washington, and several other prominent gentlemen, mentioned yesterday as having stopped at the wharf in this city on their way to Ferry Landing, to indulge in a shad bake, on the steam tug George W. Price, Captain William Skinner, passed this city last night, on their return to Washington. The captain of the tug says the party consisted of twenty-five, and the President, who traveled alone, expressed himself as highly pleased with the trip.

PERSONAL.—Captain C. C. Moore, of the Virginia Midland railroad, has just returned from a trip to Chesler, S. C., and reports that on a day last week a petrified shark, 105 feet long, was found in the phosphate fields, near that city, by the workmen engaged in digging the railway construction.

Mr. John E. Poyen expects to go to Cedar Key, Florida, soon, as a member of the U. S. Signal Corps.

Mr. Arthur Dixon, formerly of this city, but now of Louisville, Ky., son of John A. Dixon, esq., is in the city visiting relatives and friends.

FISH REPORT.—One hundred and fifty thousand shad arrived at Fish-town last night, and are selling at \$1.10 per hundred, and shad at \$6.75 per 25 per cent. The fishery so far has not proved as satisfactory as it was thought it would when the season first opened. A gentleman fishing one of the lower shores, it is said, has succeeded in catching a couple of eel and coming higher up the river, as the fish are said to be more plentiful and of better quality in the Upper Potomac.

THE FASTEST TRIP ON RECORD.—The Washington Republican of this morning says: "The schooner Carrie S. Hart, Captain Davis, made, on her last trip between Somerset, Mass., and the port of Georgetown, the fastest trip on record, which, as usual, delivers more permanent record. The vessel left Somerset on April 17, at 4:30 p. m., and arrived at Georgetown Tuesday, April 20, at 6:30 p. m., having made the trip of 500 miles in precisely seventy-four hours."

POLICE REPORT.—E. E. Duwahan, captain of the Board of Aldermen, presided at police headquarters to day in the absence of Mayor Smith.

James Phillips and Jacobson Beach, for fighting on the streets, were fined \$25 each and discharged.

Two colored women, for fighting, were fined \$2.50 each and discharged.

COW KILLED.—The train which arrived in this city over the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railway, yesterday evening, struck a cow belonging to Owen Duran, who lives near the Virginia Midland depot, which was on the track a short distance above the grave yards, and killed it instantly. A horse on the track some near being run over at the same time.

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the office of Commonwealth's Attorney, subject to the decision of the Conservative primary election.

WM. E. FENDALL.

THE BEAUTIFUL DARK BAY STALLION STAR

Will stand for mares this season at CATT'S TAVERN, West End, from APRIL 14 to JUNE 30th, 1880. Star is a dark bay, 15 hands high, and 7 years old; an excellent driver and draught horse; weighs 1250 lbs. He was raised by Mr. Willis Henderson, of Fairfax co., Va. His sire was old Star, a Morgan horse; his dam a Black Hawk mare, from Kentucky. Star has his pedigree.

Terms: \$10 for the season; \$15 to insure. The best care will be taken of all mares left at the stand. No responsibility, however, for unavoidable accidents.

W. M. E. FENDALL, Proprietor.

NOTICE.—To my former patrons and the public: Having discontinued business at No. 23 Corner of King and Fairfax streets, and prepared to do work of all kinds in my line, as formerly, I have removed to GUINER'S SPOUTING, REPAIRING, &c., promptly attended to. Notice left with Messrs. Steiner & Youe will receive promptly.

4 BELLS CHOICE SYRUP just received by J. C. MILBURN.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

ALIVE number of empty merchants were in the city to day in their spick spack. Col. Callitt Gibson of Culpeper, made a speech at Leesburg last Monday, court day, and announced himself a candidate for the conservative nomination for Congress from this district. The dress parade and inspection of the Alexandria Light Infantry, in accordance with orders received from the Adjutant General, will take place in S. rupa hall to night.

Reverend D. Rowe, a well known colored barber of this city, died last night after an illness of three days from pneumonia. His funeral will take place to-morrow, and will be attended by the colored Old Fellows of this city.

Messrs. Henry Green and J. H. D. Smoot each flew a number of carrier pigeons yesterday from Charlottesville to this city, a distance of 101 miles. The birds were liberated at Charlottesville at 10 o'clock this morning, and arrived at this city at 3:20 in the afternoon, making the distance in three hours and twenty minutes, which is considered good flying.

Health Notes. Statistics prove that twenty-five per cent of the deaths in our larger cities are caused by consumption, and when we reflect that this terrible disease in its earlier stage will readily yield to a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup (costing 25 cents), shall we condemn the sufferers for their negligence, or pity them for their ignorance?

DEED.—On Monday, April 26th, 1880, at Woodside, Mrs. A. L. JONES, daughter of the late Thomas Marshall, of Oak Hill, and widow of Major James P. Jones, in the 59th year of her age, died of pleuro pneumonia, April 25th, 1880. REV. EDY J. ROWE, son of the late R. H. Rowe, in the 21st year of his age, died of pleuro pneumonia, in the 21st year of his age, at his late residence, No. 112 south Washington street, at half past 4 o'clock on Thursday. Friends are respectfully invited to attend.—[Washington papers please copy.]

Conservative Primaries. To the Conservative Voters of Alexandria City: In pursuance of resolutions adopted by the Executive Committee of the Conservative party, a primary election will be held in this city on the 6th day of May, 1880, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the offices of Commonwealth's Attorney, City Sergeant, and Commissioner of the Revenue. The polls will be opened at sunrise and closed at sunset of that day. All known Conservatives, who have paid their capitation tax for 1878, or having failed to pay 1878 tax, who have paid said tax for 1879, shall be qualified voters in said primary.

Ballot tickets will be held in the respective wards of the city at the usual places for holding the same on Monday, May 3rd, 1880, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of nominating a magistrate and one constable for each ward, and to select delegates to the Democratic State Convention, which assembles in Richmond May 19th, 1880. The city of Alexandria is entitled to sixteen delegates and alternates, as follows: First ward four, second ward three, third ward six, and fourth ward three. All Conservatives are invited to participate in these meetings.

By order of the Committee: JAMES K. CATON, Sec'y.

MISS BERTHA VON ELLEREN, the Celebrated Pedestrian.—The only remedy used by her after long and continued exertion, and in fact during her travels, is Gies' Linctament, Soluble Anodyne. It not only relieves her physical ailments and aches, but restores her strength and endurance. She is never without a supply of this most valuable Pills cure Liver Complaints, and all dyspepsias.

THE MATERIAL FOR THE BEST AND CHEAPEST SHOES is selected with particular care to be made into shoes in Washington, and sold more durable and tasteful boys' and children's clothing, or more of them than R. Robinson & Co., the boys' clothing, 909 Pennsylvania Avenue. Railroad fare deducted from each purchase.

Mothers! Mothers!! Mothers!!! Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth? If you get one and give a bottle of WAIN'S SOUTHERN SYRUP, it will relieve the little sufferer immediately—depend upon it; there is no mistake about it. There is not a mother on earth who has ever used it who will not tell you that it is the best remedy for the teething, and give rest to the mother, and health to the child, operating like magic. It is perfectly safe to use in all cases, and pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Full directions for using will accompany each bottle. Beware of cheap imitations the facsimile of QUINCY & PRINCE'S on the outside wrapper. Sold by all Medicine Dealers. Twenty-cents a bottle. Beware of imitations.

Will open on the first day of April a Low Lot of Goods from one of the largest retailers of New York city, comprising BIRD'S and other well known manufacturers. These goods are of SUPERIOR QUALITY, and will be sold at ONE HALF THEIR COST.

LUIS', Men's, Children's and Boy's Shoes, No. 31 WADSWORTH, 110 King street.

THE IRON, Tire Steel, Plow Plates, Band and Hoop Iron, at wholesale and retail. JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS.

GALVANIZED BOAT SPIKES and Boat Nails.—A full stock in store and for sale by JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS.

GRASS SCYTHES, snaths, Hay Rakes, &c., at wholesale and retail by JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS.

PISTOLS of all kinds and Ammunition at JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS, 65 King street.

PRIME PRUNES, PERLED PEACHES and APPLES received to day by J. C. MILBURN.

22 BGG CASES just received and for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

COX'S GELATINE received to-day by J. C. MILBURN.

AUCTION.—At the residence of C. E. Dalley, on the Alexandria and Leesburg pike, will be sold by Bailey's Cross Roads and Falls Church, on TUESDAY, May 4, 1880, FARM, LAND, CARRIAGES, TOOLS, HORSES, WAGON, CART, Harness, Pigs, Fowls, Beans, Lumber, Shingles, Laths, Household Furniture, Piano, Bedding, Carpets, Crockery, Kitchen Ware and a variety of ornamental and useful articles. Six months time will be given on application in sum over \$50. Mr. Dalley offers his FAR and any of the above property at private sale prior to the 4th of May. 216-6087.

CHOICE PEACHES, Pineapple, Strawberries, Pears, Salmon, Lobster, Sugar Corn and Apples, canned, for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

ALL GRADES OF FAMILY and EXTRA FLOUR in store and for sale at bottom prices by R. W. AVERY, 226 King st.

CALL AND EXAMINE THE WINDSOR FAMILY SCALE. The cheapest and best, at McLEAN & UHLER'S, 75 King st.

NEW VASES and BOUQUET HOLDERS, in something handsome. Call and see them at E. J. MILLER & CO'S, 65 King street.

VERY FINE OLD GOVERNMENT JAVA, LAGUYA and RIO COFFEES just received by J. C. MILBURN.

WOODBURN SARKEN WHEEL COVE, WHEELS, the best patent wheel made, for sale by J. F. CARLIN & SONS.

KNOB LOCKS, Hinges and Screw Hook Hinges, a large stock, for sale wholesale and retail by JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS, 65 King street.

GROCERIES AND LIQUORS.

SUNDRIES. USE THE BEST RESULTS PATENT PROCESS FLOUR, and your bread will always be WHITE, RICH and SWEET. For sale only by GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

TURKEY and FRENCH PRUNES, a prime lot just received. GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

DURKEE SALAD DRESSING for all kinds of meats and vegetables, for sale only by MCBURNEY & SON.

FRENCH and ITALIAN OIL, genuine and pure, just received. GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

ITALIAN and AMERICAN MACCARONI GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

PRIME MESSINA and VALENTIA ORANGES just received by MCBURNEY & SON.

ROBERT PORTNER'S BEER received fresh every morning and sold at brewery prices—75 per dozen. All bottles not returned to be paid for. GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

THE BEST TOILET SOAP for the money—Orange Blossom. Try it. MCBURNEY & SON.

ORGAN POWDER TEA at 50c per lb. For strength and richness of flavor cannot be beat. Try it and be convinced. GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

A LARGE STOCK OF RUSSIA BRISTLE WHITE WASH BRUSHES. Call and examine stock. GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

BOOKS, STATIONERY, etc. HERE'S RICHNESS!

A new book by Mark Twain, entitled "A TRAMP ABROAD," with three hundred and twenty-eight illustrations; 1 vol; price \$1.50. Christy Garrow, Leisure Hour Series, by May Leelan; \$1.

Hardy Volume Series.—A short Life of Charles Dickens, with selections from his letters, by Charles H. Jones; 35c. The Amzn, by Franz Dingelstedt, translated from the German, by J. M. Hart; \$1.25. Only a Wolf, by H. A. Brendie; \$1.

Fortnightly Review; 30c. All the New Books, Magazines and Reviews on hand or furnished at shortest notice and lowest price. GEO. E. FRENCH, 93 and 95 King st.

WE respectfully invite the attention of consumers to our stock of GIBSON'S PURE OLD SCOTCH WHISKY, for the use of INVALIDS and CONNOISSEURS. These Whiskies are highly improved by age, and their unrivaled quality is widely known and appreciated. For sale by W. A. JOHNSON & CO.

WE HAVE this day secured the agency for the celebrated brand of BOTTLED ALE and PORTER, which we will keep constantly on hand, and to which we invite the attention of families who desire a fine article of Ale or Porter. W. A. JOHNSON & CO.

WE HAVE received direct from the French, in Kilmoryn of MOULD A SUGAR, to which we especially invite the attention of confectioners. W. A. JOHNSON & CO.

POISON.—Poison for Rats, Mice, Roaches, Bed Bugs, &c. of various kinds; also insect powder Guns and our celebrated Preventive for Mould. Full supply on hand. W. A. LEADWATER & BRO.

TOMATOES.—Hartford county, Md., Tomatoes, packed on the farm, received to day and for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

1 BHD GOOD CUBA MOLASSES received to day; also choice New Orleans Molasses and Syrups for sale at J. C. MILBURN'S.

MONUMENTAL BRAND pure WHITE REFINED LARD, Sugar cured shoulders and small Breakfast Bacon received by R. W. AVERY, 226 King st.

LAWN GRASS SEED.—The celebrated English Lawn Grass Seed that we have been selling for many years; a full supply just received. E. S. LEADWATER & BRO.

BOUTLERS FRIEND, a desirable and certain cure for diseases usual with chickens and ducks at this season, for sale by E. S. LEADWATER & BRO.

HAWKEY'S SPRINGFIELD and MONUMENTAL SMALL SUGAR CURBED HAMS received and for sale by R. W. AVERY, 226 King st.

100 POUNDS OLD PLANTATION SMOKING TOBACCO received to day by J. C. MILBURN.