

LOCAL NEWS.

For this district fair weather, warmer, variable winds, generally easterly.

CITY COUNCIL.

A called meeting of the City Council was held last night at the request of the Mayor to consider an act drawn up by Mr. Samuel G. Brent, Corporation Attorney, to be presented to the Legislature for adoption, empowering the City Council when extending, grading or paving streets, or making other improvements in thoroughfares, to determine what proportion of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property owners thereon.

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

After the reading of the Mayor's communication convening Council and the accompanying ordinance,

Mr. Strauss moved that the former be received and the latter be forthwith transmitted to Hon. Charles E. Stuart, Delegate from this city in the General Assembly, in order that the Legislature could act in the matter at an early day.

Some discussion followed as to the propriety of hasty action in the matter, Messrs. Leadbeater, Marbury and Bryant thinking the subject an important one, which should be referred to the Committee on General Laws, who could report on it at the next regular meeting, while Messrs. Moore and Strauss took the ground that the matter should be disposed of immediately.

Mr. Strauss offered a resolution embodying his views in the matter, which the President was about to declare adopted by a viva voce vote, but the former, before the chair announced his decision, called for a division, when it was found that there were three votes for the resolution to two against it. The rule requiring five affirmative votes to adopt a resolution on the night of its introduction was then read, and the resolution declared lost.

A motion to refer the matter to the Committee on General Laws was then made, but also lost, though after further debate, a conservative feeling seeming to prevail, it was finally referred to that committee and the board adjourned.

There was no meeting of the Common Council; no quorum appearing in that board.

THE OPERA HOUSE.—Holland's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company will be seen at the Opera House to-night and to-morrow night. The troupe is said to carry special scenery and to be accompanied by a corps of jubilee singers.

McNish, Johnson & Slavin's minstrels appear at the Opera House next Saturday night, and will give what is promised to be one of the best burnt-cork performances ever presented in this city. The company is composed of artists who have had long experience in the business, and as a result their performances are given with a completeness of detail unexcelled by other troupes. The programme, which is an excellent one, embraces a variety of acts that make the entertainment spicy, amusing and interesting from first to last.

PROPOSAL TO LEASE THE CITY GAS WORKS.—Mr. Henry Strauss, chairman of the Committee on Light of the City Council, today received from the United Gas Improvement Company of Philadelphia, a proposal to lease the city gas works for the term of twenty years. The company say they will lease the works at an annual rental of 33 1/2 per cent. of the gross receipts from the sale of gas, the amount to be paid quarterly, and before any sums are deducted for the purchase of material or for salaries, or for any expenditures whatever. They guarantee at a cost of \$23.50 per lamp to keep the street lamps lighted all night except when the moon is shining and to light and extinguish them. The light is not to be less than 18 candle power.

DETERMINED INCENDIARY.—A few days ago, while a little boy was playing about the house belonging to the Henderson estate, on upper Duke street, which was set on fire about two weeks ago, he found in the attic a bottle filled with rags and coal oil and surrounded by excelsior. The bottle bore evidence of having had the end of a candle stuck in its mouth, which had burned out without setting fire to the oil saturated rags within. It is thought the bottle was put in the house the same night the latter was discovered to be on fire, and that it was the intention of the incendiary to fire the building in two places.

PLEASING ENTERTAINMENT.—The first of a series of entertainments for the Woman's Auxiliary was given last night at the Opera House, and consisted of an interesting and instructive collection of stereoscopic views of the city of Paris, scenery in the Swiss Alps and along the Rhine, with views of Moscow and St. Petersburg. A large audience was present, who highly enjoyed the views. The next entertainment of this series takes place on the 12th of April, when the Old Folks' Concert, an interesting and amusing revival of old hymns and songs, rendered in old fashioned style, in costumes of "ye olden times," will be given.

BUILDING.—Dr. E. S. Fawcett is making preparations for building a row of six frame houses on Wilkes street, between Alfred and Patrick. Mr. George Jones has been given the contract for the buildings.

Mr. Mills in a few days will commence the erection of a house on Oronoco street, between Alfred and Patrick.

POSTAL MATTERS.—Changes in the mail schedule have been made in the route from Vale to Hunter's Mills, on the W. & O. R. R. In future mail will leave Vale Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 8 a. m., arrive at Hunter's Mills at 9 a. m., leave Hunter's Mills Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 10 a. m., and arrive at Vale by 11 a. m.

INTERMENT.—The remains of the late Capt. W. A. Grills, who died in Washington on Monday, were brought here to-day and interred. Capt. Grills was formerly of Staunton, and married Miss Ella White, of this city, a daughter of the late Vachel White.

ACCIDENT.—While Mr. Lucien Duffy was engaged in free-croing at the Opera House this morning the scaffold on which he was at work fell, precipitating him to the floor. He was painfully but not seriously bruised about the side, and had to be assisted to his home.

PROPERTY SALE.—Mr. W. L. Padgett and wife have sold to Mr. Samuel Palgott, for \$700, the frame house and lot on the north-west corner of Prince and Alfred streets. The property is subject to a ground rent of \$2 per annum.

PERSONAL.—Mr. J. H. Stevens, plate worker for the Arrow Steamship Company, arrived here to-day, and his family and furniture will arrive to-morrow. He has taken Mr. Thomas's new house on Washington street, between Wolfe and Wilkes.

Mr. George Steuener, who arrived in New York on Monday from a visit to his old home in Germany, reached this city yesterday.

Capt. J. F. Webster, who has been confined to his home for the past few days with a severe cold, is about again.

Mr. J. C. Creighton, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, has procured his new fireman's outfit, consisting of hat, coat and belt, all of white rubber, which will be carried on the truck in readiness for use.

THE ESTATE OF THE LATE MR. BARTON.—Messrs. R. M. Latham, Samuel Putman and George Dully, three of the appraisers of the estate of the late Benjamin Barton, left here this morning for the deceased's farm in Fairfax county, to assess the value of the land, buildings, stocks, etc., there. Yesterday in making an inventory of the effects in the store formerly occupied by Mr. Barton, on King street, they found about \$30,000 in bonds and stock put away in an old safe. The unexpected find consisted of U. S. four per cent. bonds, corporation bonds and certificates, Va. Midland Railroad bonds and Alexandria Water Co. stock. These bonds, in addition to those which Mr. Barton had deposited in bank, will make his estate worth upwards of \$100,000.

THE WEATHER.—The high northwest wind which blew all day yesterday continued during last night, and the weather was unusually cold for this season of the year. Ice formed in considerable quantities, not only on the ponds and creeks, but all over the flats, and this morning the river presented a decidedly wintry appearance. During the night the mercury in the thermometer sank to 19 degrees, but to-day the temperature became milder.

COUNTY COURT.—Judge D. M. Chichester presiding.—Continuation of yesterday's proceedings.—Frazier vs. Hagenbaugh, attachment; jury unable to agree; juror withdrawn and case continued. Court adjourned till Court in course.

PARALYZED.—Mr. Charles Cox, keeper of the hotel at the corner of King and Fayette streets, was stricken with paralysis last night. To-day his condition is thought to have slightly improved.

[COMMUNICATED.]

"He smiled, but was a villain still!" Says the Washington correspondent of the GAZETTE:

"It is becoming more and more apparent that the President desires a second term. The Herald of this city, of yesterday, contains the following: 'I had a little talk with him,' said a Virginia congressman, who is here a-king for Gen. Terry's appointment to be U. S. Marshal of the western district of Virginia, 'and I put in a few words about Gen. Terry's political influence and activity in the State. I saw that he liked to hear it, and I then said he would be of great aid to us in carrying the State of Virginia for him (Cleveland) next year. He smiled as graciously at the suggestion as ever an old maid did when told that she was still attractive, and, if anything, too young to marry yet.'"

And yet the same day he declined to appoint Gen. Terry, notwithstanding his "political influence and ability in the State," and appointed another party. Oh, shucks! N. B. M.

Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" is a most powerful restorative tonic, and combines the most valuable nerve properties; especially adapted to the wants of debilitated ladies suffering from weak back, inward fever, congestion, inflammation, or ulceration, or from nervousness or neuralgic pains. By druggists.

GET YOUR Fruit, Shade & Ornamental Trees NOW! ALSO SHRUBS, ROSES AND GRAPE VINES. BUY OF W. P. GRAVES, Local Agent for D. O. Munson's Nursery, and you will get satisfaction. W. P. GRAVES, Cor. Fairfax and Franklin sts., Alexandria, Virginia.

25 BOXES HIGGINS'S STANDARD SOAP. Seven cakes for 25 cents.

15 boxes STAR SOAP; 6 cakes for a quarter.

40 DOZEN DOUBLE TRUMP WASHBOARD. The cheapest board on the market.

WHITE NEW ORLEANS SUGAR. 6 cents. For sale only by J. C. MILBURN.

EXTRA CHOICE NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES and SUGAR received direct and for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

CHOICE FLORIDA ORANGES and FANCY MESSINA LEMONS just received by J. C. MILBURN.

STRICTLY PURE CIDER VINEGAR, extra strength, for pickling, for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

FINEST IMPORTED SARDINES, with patent openers, for sale by GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

FLOUR—Superlative, Crystal, Triumph, New South, Henron and Tenney Flour for sale low by J. C. MILBURN.

SUPERIOR SUGAR-CURED HAMS, mild cure, for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

GIRL'S QUADRICYCLE, a superior article, at less than wholesale price, at dec23 AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

STRICTLY PURE GROUND SPICES received to-day by J. C. MILBURN.

WHITE WASH BRUSHES, Garden Rakes, Hoops, Trowels, &c.,—a full stock now at J. F. CARLIN & SONS'.

DRINK MOXEY'S NERVE FOOD for sale by J. D. H. LUNT.

SUITINGS! SUITINGS!—Good, pretty and cheap Suits made to order and fit guaranteed by AMOS B. SLAYMAKER.

10 GROSS RUMFORD'S YEAST POWDER received to-day by J. C. MILBURN.

CHOICE FLORIDA and MESSINA ORANGES for sale low by J. C. MILBURN.

FANCY NEW VIRGINIA HONEY, in 1-lb packages, just received by MCBURNEY & SON.

BOYS' EXTRA SIZED HEAVY RIBBED HOSE, 9 and 9 1/2; 12 1/2c at AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

GRAHAM FLOUR, in 5-lb packages, GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Marriage licenses were issued in Washington yesterday to Julius I. Rider, of that city, and Patti M. Stokes, of Keysville, Va., and to Halford Johnston, of Philadelphia, and Elizabeth Brown, of this city.

The New Orleans Pelican says: "John A. Seaton, the colored porter of the Equitable Life Insurance Co., in New York, is six feet six inches high, and is a magnificent specimen of physical manhood. He is from Virginia, and was for a long time on the Capitol police force in Washington. He receives a salary of \$2,300 a year." Seaton is a native of this city, and once represented the Fourth ward in the Board of Aldermen. He was here last week looking after some property he owns.

Last night was clear and cold, with two lodgers at the station house. The Mayor this morning had no cases before him for trial.

The schooner Virginia Dare, loaded with barrels from Washington for Norfolk, got aground yesterday opposite this city during the high wind and so remained till to-day.

Hiram Bowman, of Winchester, Ohio, thought that his woodpile was diminishing too fast. So he took five sticks of wood, bored holes in them, loaded each with a big charge of powder, and plugged the holes tightly. Then he replaced them on the woodpile, locked the wood shed, and awaited developments. They came. As the family of Cary Peters, a colored neighbor of Mr. Bowman, was eating breakfast a tremendous explosion took place. A large cooking stove in the kitchen was blown to atoms, and pots, skillets, and stove lids flew in every direction. Lizzie, the eight-year-old child of Peters, was struck by a piece of the stove and knocked down and received a terrible gash across her forehead. The carpet took fire from the hot ashes thrown from the stove, but was extinguished before any serious damage was done. Peters threatens to sue Mr. Bowman for \$10,000 damages.

AN OLD INDICTMENT.—Application has been made to the general sessions in New York for the entering of a nolle prosequi in the case of William Kanane, an indictment for forgery against him having been pigeonholed in 1855. He was sentenced to two years and six months, but was pardoned after serving nine months. He is now a prosperous merchant of San Francisco. Gen. Francis Dow, of that city, protests against quashing the indictment, claiming that Kanane is a murderer and has wronged his family. He also says he is living under an assumed name in that city. Decision was reserved until the bank on which the forgery was committed has been heard from.

OFFICIAL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a called meeting of the Board of Aldermen held March 29, 1887, there were present: E. E. Downum, esq., President, and Messrs. Moore, Strauss, Marbury, Bryant and Leadbeater.

A communication from the Mayor enclosing a copy of an act amending the city charter was received and the communication with the act was referred to the Committee on General Laws.

A communication from the Mayor transmitting a letter from Miss Dorsey enclosing a letter of thanks from Mrs. Admiral Lee, President of the Washington Orphan Asylum, was received and read.

A petition of J. P. Rice for a crossing at the corner of Fairfax and Princess streets was referred to the Committee on Streets with power to act.

Mr. F. L. Smith was transferred to the Committee on General Laws and Mr. Bryant to the Committee on Police.

The Board then adjourned. Teste: JNO. J. JAMIESON, Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

At a called meeting of the Common Council of the city of Alexandria held on the 29th day of March, 1887, there were present: Messrs. Snowden, Atcheison, Harrison, Uhler, Fisher, Sweeney and Strider.

A quorum failing to respond to the roll call, the board was adjourned under the rules. Teste: JAMES R. CATON, Clerk.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup has no rivals. 25 cents. I contracted some weeks ago a severe cold with pain in my side and shoulder. I gave your Salvation Oil a trial, and it relieved me at once. CHAS. S. GILBERT, Baltimore, Md.

CANDIDATES.

THE RIGHT MAN.—The voters (democratic and republican) of Fairfax county, are making a loud call for Capt. F. BEATTIE, of Anandale, to serve as Treasurer of the county. Let us secure the services of a good and efficient officer. DEMOCRATIC VOTERS. Fairfax county, March 30th

PLEASING ENTERTAINMENTS. The second of a series of entertainments for the WOMAN'S AUXILIARY will be given on TUESDAY EVENING, April 12th, at LANNON'S OPERA HOUSE.

The second entertainment will be an OLD FOLKS' CONCERT, a highly interesting and amusing revival of old hymns and songs, rendered in old-fashioned style by singers in costumes of "ye olden times."

The third and last of the series will consist of Readings from popular authors and other attractions. This entertainment takes place at the Opera House, also, on the evening of April 20th. Doors open at 7:30. mh30 td

BEAUTIFUL BROCADED SILK MUFFLERS, from \$1.25 to \$2.50, at dec21 AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

FRENCH DOLLS, with moveable joints, bisque heads and kid bodies, from 25c to \$1, at dec21 AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

JELLIES, PRESERVES and FRUIT BUTTER for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

A FULL LINE OF THE 50-Ct. SLAYMAKER CORSETS at sep27 A. B. SLAYMAKER'S.

XXX CONFECTIONER'S POWDERED SUGAR. The best for fine Confections. Sold by [mh11] GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

FRESH ITALIAN MACARONI, Breakfast Hominy and New York Beans just received. oct20 GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

RHEUMATISM CURED BY DR. MITCHELL'S Celebrated Rheumatism Plaster, for sale by mh11 W. F. CREIGHTON & CO.

HOME-MADE OVERALLS, Jumpers and Heavy Cheviot Shirts at feb16 AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

SWEET CIDER received to-day by W. A. JOHNSON & CO.

ATMORE'S MINCE MEAT and ENGLISH PLUM PUDDING. nov24 GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

ALL-WOOL KNIT GLOVES, with Saranac front, for driving, at AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

I AM now offering a SHIRT made of Dwight Anchor brand Cotton at 50c, a perfect fit. feb16 AMOS B. SLAYMAKER.

SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, nice Xmas presents for adults and children, from 10c to \$1, at dec23 AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

POTTED MEATS—Ham, Beef, Tongue, Turkey, Chicken, Duck and Game. feb10 GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

10,000 SIX-OUNCE CAKES FINE TOILET SOAP for sale at 5c each by J. C. MILBURN.

GOOD GUNPOWDER, OOLONG, JAPAN and Extra Mixed Teas, for sale at 50c per lb. by jan20 J. C. MILBURN.

FANCY EVAPORATED APPLES just received by [mh25] J. C. MILBURN.

MARBLE WORKERS.

GO TO G. S. WALKER'S FOR—

Granite Monuments, Headstones, TOMBS AND ENCLOSURES.

Three New Granite Polishing Machines, Best facilities for Monumental Work. He guarantees the best of work, good stock and low figures. Works—702, 704 and 706, North Capitol street, in rear of Government printing office, Washington, D. C. mh29 3m

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\$100 to \$300 A MONTH can be made working for us. Agents preferred who can furnish their own horses and give their whole time to the business. Spare moments may be profitably employed also. A few vacancies in towns and cities. H. F. JOHNSON & CO., 1013 Main st., Richmond, Va. [mh2 2.ctw.1m]

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Good Messina Oranges,

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HEAVY WEIGHTS, FULL CANS.

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THOMAS'S LIQUID BLUE,

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PERRY'S HARNES OIL SOAP.

Three sizes—\$1, 50 and 25c sizes; the finest article in the world for harness. For sale by feb27 W. F. CREIGHTON & CO.

WROUGHT SPIKES FOR BRIDGE and BOAT BUILDERS at 88 King, corner of Royal street.

An assortment of sizes for sale cheap to close out. sep27 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

PAINT YOUR OWN BUGGY—Just received the following new line of Colors: Olive Green, Ponceau, Ecarlate, and Jet Coach Black. Call for sample. For sale by

jan25 W. F. CREIGHTON & CO.

CAMELS' HAIR SHIRTS and DRAWERS that have been selling at \$1 reduced to 75c. A great bargain. dec7 AMOS B. SLAYMAKER.

MY STOCK OF ALL WOOL and MERINO Underwear is now full and complete, those who want good goods at low prices will find them at my store. [oc5] AMOS B. SLAYMAKER.

FOR CHILDREN AND INVALIDS.

DRY EXTRACT MALT; 50c a bottle; for sale by [nov4] W. F. CREIGHTON & CO.

A LARGE assortment of Wagons, Tables, Desks, Sleighs, and Willow Doll Carriages, from 50c

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OUR BLACK GOODS

stock has been made more attractive by the addition of several new lines. In SILK WARPS we have

Henrietta, Clairetta and Princetta,

and in all-wool we have a splendid selection of plain, striped and fancy figured materials.

Carmelite Veiling,

in several grades, and all good values.

Dentelle Laces

of novel and beautiful design. Our assortment of

WASH FABRICS

is so varied and the designs so numerous and choice that it is impossible to do justice in an advertisement.

BATISTE GINGHAMS and CRINKLES.

In these goods we offer none but latest patterns and colors. We have none of last season's stock on hand. The same is true of our

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We always profit by experience and turn the teachings to account; especially have we done this in our

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We have taken care to crop out all that was crude, and now have no workmen but upon whose ability we can depend.

Our Cutter is skillful and carefully and personally supervises all work in this department, and, as usual, our stock of SUITINGS and CASSIMERES is second to none in this market.

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