Alexandria Gazette.

TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 6.

LOCAL NEWS.

For this district warmer, fair weather, light to fresh winds, generally northeasterly.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—The two local lodges of Knights of Pythias of this city, Oriental, No. 6, and Mechanics, No. 3, met in joint session at the latter's hall last night for the purpose of receiving and entertaining Major General James R. Carnahan, of Indiana. A large number of Knights were present and listened to an eloquent address from the General. He also spoke of the Uniform Rank of that order, and urged a formation of a division in this city. Addresses were then made by Messrs. Pettibone of Cincinnati, Thompson, Conly, Huskel and others of Washington, and Justus H. Rathbone, of this city, the founder of the order. After the session closed all were invited to the hall of Oriental Lodge, where a bountiful collation was spread. The room was very handsomely decorated with flags and Chinese lanterns, and the tables well filled. After toasts had been drunk, jokes told and speeches made all left for their homes about 2 p. m. this morning.

GOOD TEMPLARS.—The Grand Lodge of Good Templars of Virginia met in Charlottesville in annual session to-day. The lodge in this city was represented. The report of the Grand Lodge officers show an increase in the order of 2,770 members over last year, and a total membership in the State of 13,849. One hundred and six new lodges have been organized during the year, and there are now 303 working lodges. The receipts of the Grand Lodge were $6,757.84 and the expenses $6,285. There are nineteen district lodges in operation, seventeen of which were organized during the past year. The property owned by the lodges is valued at $14,816 18. The chairman of the committee on entertainment at the coming session of the Grand Lodge reports 200 delegates as having expressed an intention of attending.

TESTING BRAKES.—There was a large gathering of railroad officials, master mechanics, scientific men and others, near Falls Church, on the line of the W. & O. railroad, this morning, all interested in the test of an improved Westinghouse air-brake applied to a freight train of fifty cars, weighing two million pounds and stretching over the track for a distance of nineteen hundred feet. The cars were also fitted with Janney couplers. The tests were many, all of which were entirely satisfactory, the train, while running at full speed, being stopped in an exceedingly short time, on applying the brakes.

EXPLOSION.—A gentleman living in the neighborhood of Rappahannock station, Fauquier county, on Friday last, for a joke, put some gunpowder in a tin can and placed it under the stove of Rouse & Hickerson and applied a match to a primitive fuse which he made for the occasion. The powder exploded with much greater force than the joker expected, jarred the building, smashed the windows and broke a number of articles in the store. A lady was so much shocked by the explosion that she was made seriously ill. The affair created much excitement, and yesterday the man who had caused all the trouble confessed.

HOLIDAY GOODS.—Those who purchase holiday goods—and every one buys something before Christmas—naturally look to the GAZETTE for the names of the house where the desired articles may be bought at the cheapest price. In its columns are found the places at which to buy, and a mention of some of the useful or ornamental articles which must suggest themselves to all as most acceptable gifts. The advertisements are of goods in every line, and the readers will save both money and time by purchasing holiday goods of one of these houses.

PERSONAL.—Mrs. Lee, wife of Gov. Fitzhugh Lee, and who is now visiting at Elizabeth, N. J., last week chaperoned two box parties to "The Begum" at the Fifth Avenue theatre, New York.

Miss Mitylane English has returned to her home in this city from a visit to friends in Prince George's county, Md.

Mrs. Randolph Tucker, who has been spending the week in Washington as the guest of Mrs. Brooke, has gone to her home in Virginia, but will soon return to Washington to spend the season.

LECTURE.—A large audience assembled at the Opera House last night to hear Col. E. V. White, the ex-Confederate cavalry leader, deliver his lecture on "The Battle of Ball's Bluff." The Colonel, in a graphic manner, described the battle, and all who heard him were much pleased with the narrative. At the conclusion of Col. White's lecture, Col. Edmund Berkeley read his poem, entitled "The Battle of Gettysburg," which elicited applause.

DEER KILLED.—Messrs. Ben. Greenwood and Wm. Sisson this morning killed a large deer in the river near the light house. The deer, it is said, came across Hunting Creek bridge early this morning, skirted the southern part of the city and on reaching Jones's Point plunged in the creek which he attempted to swim. The two men saw the deer, pursued him in a boat and shot him, after which they secured the animal.

FINE COW DEAD.—A valuable cow belonging to Maj. E. H. Janney, who lives near this city, yesterday died after being strangely affected for some weeks. A post mortem examination was held and it was discovered that the cow had swallowed a piece of wire that had penetrated her maw and had worked its way to within a fraction of an inch of her heart.

LECTURE.—Dr. James Carey Thomas, of Baltimore, will lecture before the Y. M. C. A., at their rooms to-night. His subject will be "Physical Reverence."

SHOOTING AT ROCK POINT.—A shooting affair took place at Rock Point, in the lower section of Charles county, Md., a few days ago. W. P. Posey, with his family, resides at Rock Point, where he is engaged in oystering. A few days ago he was informed that some colored oystermen had been making slanderous assertions about his wife. He immediately went in pursuit of the parties, and found one of them in a house near his own residence. He drew his pistol and informed him that it was his intention to shoot him. The man denied having uttered what had been attributed to him, and said that a colored cook had originated the reports in reference to his wife, whereupon Posey went directly to the place where the cook was employed and made the charge against him. The man said nothing, but attempted to leave the room, when he was fired upon by Posey, the ball taking effect in the back of the neck and lodging in the jaw. Posey was arrested, but was not held by Justice Lancaster, on the ground, it is stated, that the shooting was provoked.

POLICE REPORT.—Last night was clear and cool with three prisoners and ten lodgers at the station house. The Mayor this morning disposed of the following cases:

Ellis Day, colored, arrested by Officer Hayes for an assault on Ann Carter, was fined $2.

Henry Anderson, colored, arrested by Officer Franks for disorderly conduct, was fined $2.

Howard Davis, arrested by Officers Price and Henry for being drunk and disorderly, was fined $1.00.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A number of young gentlemen of this city will give a hop at McBurney's Hall on Friday night next.

Several members of the Virginia legislature were in this city yesterday and to day on their way to Richmond.

At St. Mary's church on Sunday notice was given of a church holiday next Thursday, the "immaculate conception" feast.

Judge C. E. Stuart, of this city, telegraphed Gov. Lee last night, "I congratulate you upon the success of the extra session and the prospect of a speedy settlement of the debt."

Work is now going on at the Washington foundry upon the ten inch guns, ten six-inch rifled guns, pivot carriages for these guns, shells for the six-inch rifles and the heavy machinery for the plant of the new gun shops. Four turret mounts are also in a forward state of progress, and four 8-inch half-turret central pivot carriages.

Marriage licenses were issued in Washington yesterday to Robt. L. Goldman and Kate Rollins, both of King George county, and Clarence C. Via and Mary C. Kellum, both of Hanover county; Arsenious A. Winfield, of Washington, and Mary V. Tucker, of Fairfax county, and to James H. Eaton, of Cumberland, Md., and Viney Eaton, of Loudoun county, Va.

Dr. White, of Washington, who was expected to be present at the Y. M. C. A. sociable last night and lecture, was unavoidably prevented from filling his engagement. There was a large attendance at the sociable and some excellent music was rendered.

It is understood that S. J. Wimsatt, who went from this city last week to sell coupons in Prince William county, was yesterday indicted by the grand jury of that county.

BARN BURNED.—The barn of Mr. Fielding Ashton, at Payne's Point, Westmoreland county, together with its contents, was destroyed by fire on Friday night last involving a loss of $800. The fire was the work of an incendiary. There was no insurance.

Farmers wishing to be successful with sheep should guard them against exposure. But if in sheltering his sheep the farmer exposes himself and catches cold, he must use Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

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THE COMMITTEE ON LIGHT.—Having read with surprise several attacks upon the Committee on Light of the City Council, and which, being a member of that committee and knowing its motives, I considered unjust, I think it proper to inform the public of the objects of the committee in awarding the contract for lighting and extinguishing the street lamps. Heretofore, as I suppose most every one knows, the lamps have been lighted by persons employed and paid by the members of the police force and extinguished by those officers. If, at the hour for extinguishing the lights, an officer had a warrant to serve or witnesses to summon who were employed in Washington, and had to leave the city at an early hour in the morning, of course the lights continued to burn until his official duties were performed, as "the law doesn't contemplate that a police officer shall light and extinguish the street lamps," and we are surprised that a citizen would exhibit his ignorance in print when our accommodating Auditor or Clerk of Council would have been pleased to furnish him with a copy of the city laws. The Committee on Light considered it not only an injustice to the members of the police force, who were forced to pay for the lighting of the lamps out of their small salaries, but felt confident that it was not a safe plan, as a policeman could be located while extinguishing the lights by evil-inclined persons. "Taxpayer"—though we are unable to say whether or not he is a taxpayer—seems to fear that he will have to help make up $600 per annum to pay for lighting and extinguishing the lamps. I desire to state for the benefit of those who read his communication that there need be no fears entertained from this. With the old system of lighting and extinguishing the street lamps not less than $1,200 worth of gas (actual cost of manufacture) was wasted annually. By the present system the committee are confident that this $1,200 can be prevented by properly regulating the lights, and thus save the gas works $600 per annum after paying the contractor. The above are a few of the objects the committee had in view, and if "Taxpayer" and the gentleman who didn't know the committee had the law on their side desire any further information it will be cheerfully furnished by

ONE OF THE COMMITTEE.

Sick and bilious headache cured by Dr. Pierce's "Pellets."

MEDICINAL.

ELY'S CATARRH Cream Balm

Cleanses the Nasal Passages, Allays Pain and Inflammation, Heals the Sores Restores the Sense of Taste and Smell. TRY THE CURE

A particle is applied into each nostril and is agreeable. Price 50 cts. at druggists'; by mail, registered, 60 cts. Circulars free.

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LICENSE NOTICE.

All persons doing business for which a license is required, and who have not paid, are requested to call at the Mayor's Office from to 12 to 2 o'clock each day from now to December 31st, and settle.

dec5-td JNO. B. SMOOT, Mayor.

SOMETHING NEW FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT. Rose Jars and Potpourri, Japanese goods of all kinds, Scrolls, Screens, Mats, Bowls, Teapots, &c., &c., at

nov22 E. J. MILLER SON & CO'S.

SLEIGH BASKETS! SLEIGH BELLS! Sleigh Runners, on hand and for sale cheap at 328 King, corner of Royal street, Alexandria, Va. Call and see.

dec2 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

PERLY'S HARNESS 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.

ROCHESTER LAMPS! ROCHESTER LAMPS! There is nothing more suitable for a Xmas Gift than one of these splendid lamps in nickel, brass or decorated vases. At

nov22 E. J. MILLER, SON & CO'S.

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Something New.

Blue Belle of Scotland, Trailing Arbutus, Tally Ho, Marechal Niel Rose and Alpine Violets at

je28 JOHN D H LUNT'S.

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HUNGARIAN WARE,	POCKETBOOKS,	GOLD PENS and PENCILS,
BRONZES,	PERFUMERY,	OPERA GLASSES,
BISQUE FIGURES.	WRITING DESKS,	FINE POCKET KNIVES,

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Special attention is called to the BOOK DEPARTMENT. The assortment embraces all the leading authors in Prose and Poetry. Special Books for presents in very rich binding; Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymnals in all styles of binding; Juvenile Books and Games of the greatest variety. A detailed list would be impossible. Come and see.

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Watches, Jewelry, Solid Silverware, Silver-plated Ware, Clocks,

EYE GLASSES, SPECTACLES, &c.

And you will be sure to find something that will suit you. nov29

DRY GOODS.

REMOVAL.

John R. Chapman, Agent,

Takes pleasure in informing his friends that he now occupies the large and elegant store room lately vacated by D. Bendheim & Co. With plenty of room, he will now devote more attention to

DOMESTIC DRY GOODS.

A full stock of SCARLET FLANNEL, WHITE FLANNEL, CANTON FLANNEL, BLEACHED and UNBLEACHED COTTONS, DRESS GOODS, GINGHAMS, &c.

EXTRA HEAVY KERSEYS, BLANKETS, BED SPREADS, &c.

As heretofore, our stock of LADIES', MISSES' and CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR and HOSIERY is complete.

We will continue to maintain our reputation for selling good goods at low-down prices. To all we extend a cordial invitation to examine our stock, compare prices, &c.

JOHN R. CHAPMAN, Agent,

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ONE OF THE TESTS.

Gentleness is a small part of a boy's nature. He goes at everything with a dash and a rush, and if his clothing is not of GOOD MATERIAL and WELL MADE, "nip goes the seams and off goes the buttons." Now if you have a boy to clothe do not buy him a suit or an overcoat till you have examined our stock. Our Clothing is strong in every particular, and will stand much rough usage.

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Men's and Boys' Clothing and Furnishings,

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G. H. Mumm's & Co.'s Extra Dry,	pts. and qts.	
" Dry Verzenay,	"	
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A. Werner & Co.'s Extra Dry,	"	
Ysasi Old Spanish Sherry on draught.		
Old Spanish Port	"	
Pure California Port,	"	$1.50 ₱ gal.
" Sherry,	"	2.00 "
Pure Catawba,	"	1.00 "

my21 GEO. McBURNEY & SON.

PURE, REFRESHING AND HEALTHY.

Virginia Norton Seedling Claret,	pts.	and qts.
" Rose of Virginia	"	"
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"	"	"
" Sauterne	"	"
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40 cases of the above purest Summer Wines in store and for sale by

je9 GEO. McBURNEY & SON.

POTOMAC FLOUR, choice, for sale only by

dec2 J. C. MILBURN.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST - On Saturday, a YOUNG SETTER DOG, about seven months old, well grown; color white and black; hair evenly mixed all over, giving him a blue appearance; black spot on back and each side of his head. A reward will be paid if returned to 217 south Washington street.

dec5 3t

LOST—Yesterday evening, on my way from this city to my home in Fairfax county, on the Little River turnpike, a DARK OVERCOAT. The finder will be rewarded upon returning the coat to

dec3 3t D. G. WATKINS.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETINGS.

THE VIRGINIA MIDLAND RAILWAY CO., OFFICE OF THE TREASURER. December 1st, 1887.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the VIRGINIA MIDLAND RAILWAY CO. will be held at the office of the company, in Alexandria, Va., on WEDNESDAY, the twenty first (21st) day of December, A.D., 1887, at 12 o'clock noon, for the transaction of all business of a general or special nature that may be submitted to the meeting. The transfer books will be closed at 3 o'clock of the sixth (6th) inst., and reopened on the morning of the twenty-second (22nd) of December next.

dec1 td W. H. MARBURY, Secretary.

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WANTED.

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LECTURE.

There will be a grand lecture given by the

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Subject—Self-made Man."

Proceeds for the purchase of aged home.

Roberts Chapel Choir will render some choice music on the occasion.

Admission 25c. Tickets can be obtained of the committee—Robert Darnell, chairman, Henry Sumby, Parris Simms, Richard T. Thompson and Presley Diggs. dec1 td

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

I will be in my store, 324 King street, during the month of December to meet those wishing any information connected with their State or city assessments. Office hours: 2 to 5 o'clock p. m.

GEO. DUFFEY,

nov28 Commissioner of the Revenue.

WE ARE now receiving our TOYS and FANCY GOODS, suitable for Christmas presents. Call and see them at

nov25 AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

CHOPPING AXES and AXE HANDLES, on hand and for sale at a small advance at 328 King, corner of Royal, by

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We have sold a great many of these garments this season, and expect to sell a great many more before the season closes. One of the best bargains we have ever had has just been sent us by our New York buyer, and we are selling it for less than cost of importation. It is

BLACK BROCADE VELVET AT $1.25,

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Currants, Citron and Nuts of all kinds.

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100 CASES

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Holiday Times.

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