

LOCAL MATTERS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—For this section during cloudiness, with snow late tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight; westerly winds, becoming fresh northerly.

ALEXANDRIA COUNTY BONDS.—The Virginia legislature has passed a bill authorizing the supervisors of Alexandria county to issue bonds to the amount of \$150,000 for the purpose of improvement in the county roads. This measure was originated by, and has already had the unqualified approval of, the president of the board of supervisors, G. N. Scaumbler, but the proposal has found a powerful opposition from many citizens of the county. When the formation of the Alexandria County Board of Improvement about a month ago assumed a definite position as to the pending question it was urged that the board should undergo rigid examination before it comes a law. It was with this view that a resolution was adopted at the last meeting of the board directing that a careful consideration of the pending project was essential to the interests of Alexandria county; and the president of the board, Mr. A. M. Lathrop, to appoint a committee for the purpose of making an examination of the bill as passed by the legislature and empowering the committee to report at any time the result of its investigation.

The committee was ordered to report on its report the propriety of the measure. A report, it is understood, will be forthcoming at the next meeting of the full organization on January 15.

In discussing about the bond discussion, a resident of Alexandria and a member of the board of supervisors, Mr. J. H. Smith, said: "There is no question as to the importance of the matter; indeed, it should not have passed the legislature until a careful examination of the bill was made by our board. It was railroaded through, and until we received notice of the measure had been passed we were ignorant of its provisions. Even now there are few county citizens—especially interested in the welfare of the county, I mean—who have had an opportunity to thoroughly peruse this bill."

"A bill," continued the speaker, "is introduced to me that the matter of incorporating the town of Resley, which I understand is to be again brought to the floor, should be carefully considered."

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS.—Trinity M. E. Church was filled last night with friends and friends of the Sunday school scholars, the occasion being the Christmas celebration. Presents were awarded to each scholar according to their attendance and general conduct. The scholars of the Methodist Protestant Sunday school also held their Christmas celebration last night, and at Trinity and M. P. Churches interesting programmes of recitation and song were rendered.

The children of the Second Presbyterian Church will have their celebration of the primary Sunday school of the M. E. Church South was held on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock and will consist of recitation, instrumental and vocal selections by the little folks and the distribution of presents to the scholars, and will no doubt be very interesting as well as entertaining. The entertainment for the main school will be held on New Year's evening at 7:30 o'clock. This celebration will be held in character, from that previously held in that the scholars will be the donors instead of the recipients of presents. They will bring an offering of money to be used in the purchase of a library case for the school. The entertainment will be interspersed with singing by the school, duets, solos, &c.

COURT.—Mayor George L. Simpson presiding.—The following cases were disposed of this morning: Frank Keith, colored, charged with assault on Wm. Thomas, also colored, with a pistol, was fined \$10. Wilson Rad, colored, charged with assaulting and beating Emma Smith, also colored, was fined \$5. George Jones, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, had his case continued.

Wm. Thomas, colored, charged with assault on Frank Keith, also colored, with a pistol, was fined \$10. Night Report.—Last night was clear and cold. One prisoner and ten fugitives were at the station house.

FUNERAL.—The remains of the late Col. S. R. Johnston, who died on Sunday at East Orange, N. J., reached here yesterday evening and the funeral took place this morning from the residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. George Johnston, on north Washington street. The services were conducted by Rev. P. P. Phillips, of St. Paul's Church, and the pallbearers were Captains Herbert Fryant and R. F. Knox, Dr. Wm. A. Satter, and Messrs. G. W. Ramsay, Leonard Stabler and Thomas W. R. Fisher. The remains were interred in the family lot in the old Presbyterian cemetery and were escorted to their last resting place by members of Lee Camp.

FISH.—The preliminary report upon the decline of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, which has been done under the direction of the United States Fish Commission during the past fifteen days, shows that the work has resulted in the liberation in the Potomac of nearly 20,000 game and food fishes, and millions estimated at 79,000.

During the past fiscal year, ended June 30, 1,057,000,000 fishes have been liberated from the various stations of the Fish Commission throughout the United States. Previous to 1888, the largest number liberated in any year was 500,000,000. Last year the number was raised to 857,300,546.

MASONIC.—This being St. John's night special services will be held at Grace Church, under Rev. C. E. Bell will deliver an address to the Masons of this city. Alexandria-Washington Lodge will meet at their lodge room at 7 o'clock tonight and with other Masons will march to the church in a body to attend the service.

Home telephones have been placed to Judge Norton's office and in the Baltimore meat markets.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. 50c.

A DECLINATION.—Mr. S. L. Monroe, who was recently appointed assessor by Judge Norton, has declined, as will be seen by the following: Alexandria, Va., Dec. 27th, 1899. Hon. J. K. M. Norton, Judge Corporation Court, Alexandria, Va.

Dear Sir: Having received from you the appointment of State Assessor for the city of Alexandria, I regret to inform you that after giving the matter careful consideration I am forced to decline the position.

I deem it my first duty to the people of this city to faithfully perform the duties of the office I now hold, and while I fully appreciate the favor conferred by you in tendering me this appointment unsolicited on my part, I am convinced I cannot do justice to both positions at one and the same time. Yours respectfully, SAM'L L. MONROE.

Judge Norton this evening appointed Mr. Edgar F. Thompson to the position.

PERSONAL.—Mrs. George W. Johnson, formerly of this city, but now of Wilkesboro, N. C., is spending the holidays with her children in this city.

Mr. Milton Evans, of New York, is in the city, having come on to spend the holidays with his father, Mr. Paul R. Evans.

Miss Van Name, of New York city, is visiting Mrs. John Leadbeater, on Prince street.

Mr. Clifton H. Smith, of New York, is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. F. L. Smith.

Mrs. Thomas Fegan is quite sick at her home on south Columbus street.

FAMILY REUNION.—Among all the reunions that took place in Alexandria on Christmas Day, none was more delightful than the family gathering at the suburban residence of Mr. Walter Roberts on Duke street extended. Mrs. Margaret A. Harmon, just now completing her eightieth year, was surrounded by almost her entire family, six daughters, five sons-in-law and twenty-two grand children (two only being absent). The occasion will be long remembered and will be otherwise indelibly impressed, as the entire group was photographed at the close of the day's festivities.

THE WEATHER.—Last night was the coldest of the season, the mercury dropping to 16°, and ice over half an inch thick formed on the river flats. Today has been cloudy and cold, with a light fall of snow this evening.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS all druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

[COMMUNICATED.] WARD REPRESENTATION. It is easy for me to agree with T. V. R. when he says "the suggestion of W. F. C. should result in some change of representation in our City Council," and to me as to him "it occurs that the best plan would be to provide for a fifth ward." But an ordinance for that purpose proposed in Council last summer was held up lest it might imperil white supremacy in the Court House ward. To avoid this an amendment of the charter was deemed necessary. We have now in fact at the Friendship district a fifth ward organized, but with no representation in the City Council. If Council will at once create a fifth ward and make the subscriber the equal of T. V. R., he will be entirely content. W. F. C.

[COMMUNICATED.] What do they pay the sexton of a graveyard for? People who put flowers on the graves of the dead have from time to time complained of those who go to the graveyard and steal the flowers away and put them on their own lot. I for one have seen it done sometimes ago. MRS. A. SULLIVAN.

Working Night and Day. The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Every pill is sugar-coated globe of health, that changes weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-fog into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25 cents per box. Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons.

Gaining a Wide Reputation. As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D. B. Johnson, of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1862. In speaking of it he says: "I never found anything that would relieve me until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts like magic with me. My foot was swollen and pained me very much, but one good application of Pain Balm relieved me." For sale by all druggists.

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CRANBERRIES.—Fancy Cape Cod Cranberries just received by J. C. MILBURN. TIERCE'S Cox & Gordon Missouri Ham, very fine quality, just received by J. C. MILBURN. BAGS LIMA BEANS just received by J. C. MILBURN.

FOR SALE OR RENT. THE COMFORTABLE RESIDENCE, No. 219 North St. Asphalt street between Cameron and Queen streets. Bath, and c. Appy at this office. dec27 1t

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LOCAL BREWERY. The population of the First ward was increased by five yesterday.

The County Court has been engaged again all day in the trial of the military road case.

The Young Men's Sodality Lyceum Social and Literary Club gave a pleasant entertainment and dance at Lyceum Hall last night. It was much enjoyed.

An assignment was made in Washington yesterday by Martin Wolf, who conducted a furrier's business on Eleventh street, between F and G streets, northwest. Mr. Wolf placed his liabilities at about \$16,447.72, and his assets at \$6,500.

Fire broke out in the Church of the Seventh Day Adventists, on Eighth street, between F and G streets, northwest, east Washington, shortly before 10 o'clock last night, and in less than an hour the interior of the structure had been destroyed.

Owing to the additional preparations which have been found necessary the trial of the submarine torpedo boat Holland, to take place off Fort Washington, has been postponed and will not take place until the last of this week, or the early part of next.

The body of Dr. A. H. Steele, who is said to be a resident of Washington, was found in a room at the Emrich Hotel, on Pennsylvania avenue, n. w., Washington, shortly before 10 o'clock last night. From surface indications it would appear that Dr. Steele died from the effects of an overdose of morphine. A hypodermic syringe and a small box, almost empty, which is believed to have contained the drug, were found on a bureau near the body.

Marriage licenses were issued in Washington yesterday to Charles F. Verti, of Mountain Gap, and Ellen C. Vickers, of Morrisville; Harvey H. Ouslet, of Dicksville, and Lilla B. Hain, of Frederickburg; Frank L. Dickinson and Mary Ellen Willet, both of Richmond; Richard H. Mercaut and Lillian Maddox, both of Manassas; Wm. H. Peria and Floyd P. Jones, both of Richmond; Isaac W. Francis and Mary A. Brumfield, both of Richmond, and to Zed Willis Cheving, of Orange, and Ula Ince Frost, of Lancaster.

One of the handsomest and most elaborate Christmas trees in this city is that at the home of Mr. J. C. Gill, on south Royal street. It is most artistically decorated, and is the envy of the children of the neighborhood.

Capt. James Elliott's vessel has arrived with another load of Jackson creek oysters, which are now stored in the building at the northeast corner of King and Union streets. They are large, fat and well seasoned.

The remains of the Maine victims that reached Newport News on Monday passing through this city at 5 o'clock this morning for Arlington and will be interred there tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

Mr. H. L. Strider today sent to the station a use a number of water cups for the use of the prisoners.

Red Hot From The Gun. Was the ball that hit G. W. Steadman, of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures Cuts Bruises, Burns, Boils, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25c. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, Druggists.

Ladies, clean your Kid Gloves with La Belle Glove Cleaner. For sale only by Mrs. C. E. Bradley, 414 King street. Headquarters for Kid Gloves and all the latest novelties in fine millinery and fancy goods.

The modern and most effective cure for constipation and all liver troubles—the famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

REWARD OF \$5 will be paid to the person giving the name of the thief or thieves who on Christmas stole from my daughter's grave a large basket of flowers. Mrs. A. SULLIVAN, 217 north Royal street.

THE MEMBERS OF MARLEY ENCAMPMENT, No. 6, I. O. O. F., will assemble at their hall TOMORROW, December 28, at 2:30 p. m., to attend the funeral of our late brother, James H. DeVaughn. By order of the C. P. W. F. LATHAM, Scribe.

NOTICE, I. O. O. F.—The members of the POTOMAC LODGE, No. 35, are requested to meet in their hall THIS EVENING at 7:30 o'clock to make arrangements to attend the funeral of their late brother, James H. DeVaughn, which will take place tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. The members of Saratoga Lodge, No. 46, are respectfully invited to be present. By order of the N. G. P. M. BRADSHAW, F. S.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the BEX CIGAR VENDING COMPANY for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be submitted will be held at Fischmann's Hotel, Alexandria, on WEDNESDAY, January 10, 1900, at noon. The stock books will be closed December 27, 1899, and opened January 11, 1900. ADDISON G. DeSOIS, President. HENRY L. BRYAN, Secretary. [dec27 1t

NOTICE.—The 31st annual meeting of the INDEPENDENT MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of Fairfax county, Va., will be held at the company's office, 119 1/2 south Royal street, Alexandria, Va., on MONDAY, the 8th day of January, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m. dec27 law2w

SPECIAL NOTICE.—I take this method of thanking my friends and patrons for their kind and generous trade during the holidays. I am now convinced that Alexandrians do not go to Washington to make purchases when they can find the assortment and prices at home. I had both. Most respectfully, E. E. KNIGHT.

PLEASANT ROOMS, for gentlemen, can be had with BOARD at No. 818 Prince street. MEALS will be furnished in the lunch room at all hours from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m. by Miss BESSIE DAVISON, dec23 3c

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Shoes, boots, men's and boys' suits and overcoats, ladies' golf, astrakhan and plush capes, ladies' and gents' furnishings, blankets, quilts, trunks, satchels, hats, caps, etc.

In every department the knife has been placed. Sale begins Thursday at 9 a. m.

KAUFMANN'S COMBINATION STORES, 400 & 402 KING STREET. THE HOLIDAYS. THE HOLIDAYS.

THE PALAIS ROYAL

NEW YEAR NEEDS at special prices tomorrow. 98c a yard for the \$1.25 double Table Damask. Only 73c a yard for 98c quality, 72 inches wide. \$2.25 and 98c a dozen for the Napkins. These and following for tomorrow—Thursday only.

- Wine Glasses, per dozen.....48c
Whisky Glasses, per dozen.....36c
Punch Cups, per dozen.....72c
Water Glasses, per dozen.....36c
Water Bottles, full size.....15c
Fruit Saucers, per dozen.....48c
Wine Decanters, full size.....39c
Water pitchers, 2-quart.....12c
Fruit Bowls, cut effect.....16c
Cake Plates, cut effect.....19c

The Palais Royal, G and 11th streets, Washington.

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Until Further Notice Store Will Close at 5:30 p. m. Invite attention to their personal selections and direct importations of Evening Gown Studs

For the Debutante, for Receptions, for Weddings, for Dinner Parties, for Theater Parties, for Tea, for Balls, for all Fashionable Occasions and Social Functions.

Attention is also invited to an unusually choice and complete assortment for women's and men's Dress Requirements for New Year's.

Men's Dress Requirements For New Year's Day. A superb stock of all the approved styles and many novelties, including Full Dress Shirts, Full Dress Bowties and Ties, black and white, in every proper shape; Full Dress Protectors and Shields, in newest designs and styles; Collars and Cuffs, Silk Suspenders, and Half Hose, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Cuff Links, in gold and enamel; Shirt Studs, &c. First floor.

Women's Dress Requirements For New Year's Day. This class of needfuls has been a field of careful study. And the goods now shown embrace everything proper, from the finest imported high-art novelties to those without a bit of extravagance in them, such as GLOVES—All lengths, Dressed and Undressed Kid; pink, blue, tan, white, and black. Silk Evening Mitts, 12, 16, and 20.

HANDKERCHIEFS—Point Lace, Valenciennes Lace, Duchess Lace, and fine hand embroidered and Hemstitched Linen. HOSIERY—Silk and Lisle Thread, plain black and all shades to match the toilet or slippers—lace ankle, boot pattern and drop-stitch effects.

CORSETS in new model, specially designed for the present mode of costume, silk and Hose Supporters are shown to match Corsets. MILLINERY—Exclusive Paris concepts in Hats—Ornaments—for the theater, opera, receptions, &c. Also Handsome Pearl, Cut Steel, a d Jet Ornaments for hair or gown.

NECKWEAR—New Paris dainties for the neck, in a profusion of exquisite concepts. Many of these are of our own direct importation and have no duplicates. SLIPPERS in white and black satin; Patent Leather, Beaded Kid, White Kid, Opera and Strap; also Velvet Carriage Boots.

New Books for New Year's Presents. Book Dept.—Basement. E. J. MILLER and Co., Importers of Earthenware.

GOOD THINGS. Just received FIFTY CASES of Fine Imported and Domestic Goods for the Holidays. Large Layer Raisins 12 1/2c per lb. French Candy, a good mixture, 5c to 15c. Fancy Malaga Grapes. New Mixed Nuts 11c. Dates, Figs, Marshmallows extra Saratoga Chips. Fancy Lemon Cling Peaches in 1-lb and 3-lb cans. Queen Olives, Plum Puddings, Fancy Cakes, &c. Also Pure Maple Syrup, Dark Buckwheat of first quality, Canned Lobsters, Steak, Salmon, Extra Fancy Macaroni, Kipperd Herrings and Bonied Mackerel.

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FANCY ARTICLES. ON ALL

In returning thanks for the generous patronage given us in the holiday season, we desire to announce to all who have received money to invest in remembrances of the season that we will give during the week 20 per cent. discount on all fancy articles. Now is the time to buy articles of value at a saving of one-fifth. This applies to Pictures, Vases, China of all kinds, Bricabrac, Sterling Silver, etc., etc. One price.

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