

Alexandria Gazette.

THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 15, 1903.

LOCAL NEWS.

Sun rises tomorrow at 7:25 a. m. and sets 5:06 p. m. High water at 8:43 a. m. and 9:04 p. m.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—For this section fair tonight and Friday; moderate temperature; light west to southwest winds.

Three Persons Drowned.

While a large crowd was skating on the Bathing Basin, near the Washington Monument in Washington, yesterday evening, the ice suddenly gave way and precipitated 20 or more persons in the water. Three persons lost their lives. The dead are: Miss Jessie C. Thomas, a young woman 20 years of age, employed as a clerk in the Bureau of Ethnology, who died at the Emergency Hospital; Arthur Wesserbach, an employe of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing; Henry C. Hamill, a clerk in the War Department. Eight others were treated at the Emergency Hospital and recovered. Wesserbach was a native of Washington; Hamill was from Michigan, and Miss Thomas, previous to a year ago, had lived in Frederick, Md. Hamill was about 45 years of age. There were probably 2,000 persons skating on the basin at the time of the accident. A hot water pipe from the engine-room of the Washington Monument empties in the basin near where the ice gave way. The skaters had been warned that the location was a dangerous one, but it is said that they disregarded the advice given them to stay away from the vicinity, and when the crash came fully 30 men and women went through the broken ice and into the water. All were rescued except the two men, whose bodies subsequently were recovered. Miss Thomas died a short while after her removal to the hospital.

The sad accident described above was the basis of many startling rumors which were circulated in Alexandria last night. One report was to the effect that fifty or sixty persons had been drowned, and people in the city who have relatives and friends living in Washington were filled with apprehension until this morning when the actual facts were learned.

Committee Meeting.

A prolonged meeting of the committee on light was held last night in the office of the Clerk of Gas in the City Hall. Mr. Park Agnew, contractor for furnishing coal to the gas works, was present and made suggestions concerning the present quality of gas produced and the probable cause of the general dissatisfaction among consumers. The present contract calls for a certain grade of coal which Agnew & Co are to furnish up to June 1. It is of a different vein from that heretofore used by the city, the original grade having advanced to double its former price. Mr. Agnew claimed that the coal now being used would under proper conditions produce satisfactory results. One of his theories was that the coal was taken directly from the cars and placed in the furnaces before it had time to dry out sufficiently. Heretofore when coal was plentiful it was allowed time to pass through this process. At present the supply is often nearly exhausted when a carload, which has been out in the weather, arrives and its immediate use, Mr. Agnew thought, caused the discomfort now experienced. The committee, however, determined to make immediate tests of other varieties of coal and do all possible to relieve present conditions. The gas last night sent forth a repugnant odor which was caused by an oversight or miscarriage in the process of purification which was promptly remedied this morning. A dispatch has been received from the contractors who are rejuvenating the works stating that workmen from Fort Wayne will be here tomorrow when the final work will be speedily prosecuted. It is believed that in about ten days' time everything at the works will be progressing satisfactorily again.

New Police Commissioner.

As will be seen by the proceedings, the resignation of Mr. Ashby Miller as police commissioner from the Fourth ward was sent to the City Council last night and accepted. Mr. Miller in his communication tendering his resignation says his business interests occupy most of his time and he is unable to give the position the attention it requires. The resignation was accepted and later a joint session of the two boards was held and Mr. E. C. Graham received the unanimous vote of the members of both boards as his successor. Mr. Miller succeeded Mr. J. F. Tackett as a member of the Board of Police Commissioners in 1899, and during most of his term of service was secretary of the board, performing his duties faithfully and conscientiously. His successor, Mr. Graham, is a gentleman well-known in this community and well fitted for the position. He was a gallant Confederate soldier and is now commander of Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans. He will doubtless give the position the attention it should receive and his action will be governed by fairness, sincerity and impartiality.

Police Court Notes.

The Mayor this morning disposed of the following cases: Lena Waters, colored, arrested by Officers Young and Allen charged with disorderly conduct and with defacing property, was fined \$5 and in default of payment will be sent to the work house. Mary Rich, Edward Bryant and Epps Waters, all colored, arrested by Officers Young and Allen for disorderly conduct, were fined \$5 each. The men will be sent to the chain gang in default of payment and the woman to the work house. A young man, charged with assault, was dismissed, the complainant failing to appear. Seven lodgers were at the station house last night.

The Weather and River.

The weather has moderated considerably during the past forty-eight hours, and the ice in the river is rapidly breaking up. The steamer keep it on the move and so far as steam vessels are concerned it affords but little obstruction. In the creeks and rivers below, however, considerable difficulty is experienced by the boats in getting in and out of them. An oil barge, a schooner and five oyster boats, all in tow, passed down this morning.

Mrs. Malvina Moore slipped on the ice and fell on Queen street last night and dislocated her shoulder.

Tuesday Night's Fire.

The remains of the horse which was suffocated at the fire at Rishell & Sons' planing mill Tuesday night were removed today and Mr. Lawrence Sanford was sworn in by the Mayor this morning as special night watchman. He will in future exercise due surveillance of the premises after dark. It has often been remarked that had the fire broke out late Monday night while the strong northwest wind was raging and the mercury in the thermometer falling, nothing short of the Potomac river would have stayed its progress. It may not be generally known, but it is a fact nevertheless, that on Tuesday night it was soon found that the Hydraulion engine was not in a condition for proper service, as the leather cups in the pumps had worn completely out, causing the pressure to drop from 120 to 20 pounds. Mr. Thomas Wadley worked nearly all of last night in replacing them and the engine was tested this morning and found to be in proper order. Had the light breeze which was prevailing Monday night wafted brands from the burning mill on the frame houses to the south-east the city might have found it virtually had but one engine. The apparatus had but one engine. The apparatus was purchased from J. Dreifus & Co, some time ago, now undergoing repairs at the factory, is expected here the latter part of this month. It is thought by many that repairs should have been ordered immediately after the engine was purchased. Had that course been taken it would have been in service long ago.

Personal.

Mr. Isaac W. Rudd, who was stricken with paralysis Tuesday, still lies critically ill at his home on south Fairfax street. His condition causes his relatives and friends grave anxiety.

Mr. Edgar S. Brockett and Miss Florence Henry Remington were married last night by Rev. Dr. Hunt of the Baptist Church at the residence of that church, on Columbus street. The wedding was a quiet one, only the members of the families of the bride and groom being present. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Brockett left on the Norfolk steamer to spend their honeymoon at Old Point, taking with them the best wishes of their friends.

Miss Jessie Love, daughter of Judge J. M. Love, of Fairfax, has gone to Fort Snelling, Minn., to spend the winter with her brother, Lieutenant Love, U. S. A.

Mr. Alexander Lyles, who has been confined to his home by sickness for the past few days, is able to be about again.

Mysterious Case.

Ernest Dove, a resident of Fairfax county, was taken to the Emergency Hospital in Washington Tuesday night about 9 o'clock in an unconscious condition. He was suffering from a number of cuts and bruises about the head and face, and was in a serious condition. William Winston, a colored constable in Alexandria county, had found him seated on a load of wood on the Columbia pike. He regained his senses during the night and was apparently out of danger yesterday morning. He remembers nothing concerning his experience and was unable to give any idea as to how he received his injuries. He was able to leave the hospital yesterday.

Blood on the Track.

Blood was trailed on the Washington Southern Railway tracks from the overhead bridge at St. Asaph to this city this morning, and it was supposed that a south bound train had struck and killed some person. The railway officials, however, had heard nothing of any fatality, nor had the remains of any one been found. It is supposed that the train ran over a dog near the overhead bridge and it became entangled in the machinery which accounts for blood having been traced such a distance.

The Old Cotton Factory.

In the Corporation Court today in the case of Charles Neitze vs. H. C. Chipman et al. a decree was entered confirming the sale of the old cotton factory building in this city for \$14,450 and transferring the same from J. and H. Aitchison to the Robert Porter Brewing Company. This company will at once take possession of the building and convert it into a model bottle house. Extensive improvements are to be made at a cost of about \$15,000.

Horse Stolen.

Thieves last night entered Mr. Peter Hall's stable, near the corner of Patrick and Oronoco streets, and carried his horse away. At an early hour this morning when Mr. Hall entered the stable for the purpose of hitching his horse to a wagon he found the stall empty. The police were immediately notified and every effort is being made to trace the stolen animal.

Meetings.

The annual meeting of the Mercantile Railway Building and Loan Association to have been held today was postponed. The following companies held their annual meetings in this city today for the purpose of electing officers: The Atlantic Building Company and the New Washington Brick Company.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

In the Corporation Court today Ernest Ott was appointed administrator of the estate of W. Abts.

The union evangelist services tonight will be held in the Baptist Church. Rev. Mr. Jeffers will preach the sermon.

In the Corporation Court today the case against A. T. McMahon, indicted for selling liquor on Sundays, was continued until the 20th instant.

The Mechanics' Building Association, No. 5, has sold to Ann E. Brenner a house and lot on east side of Alfred street, north of Gibbon, for \$600.

Thieves last night entered the home of Mr. D. W. Schofield, at No. 327 north Columbus street, and proceeded to the pantry, stole a ham with which they made off.

The Washington Southern Railroad Company is securing rights of way through Stafford county for doubletracking their line from Fredericksburg to Quantico.

Ernest Palmer, Joe Timbers and Ben Johnson, all colored, were arrested today by Officers Garvey and Smith for fighting and disorderly conduct in the southwestern part of the city last night.

Messrs. Davis & Davis, Washington patent attorneys, report the great success of the following patents to residents of this State: Fitzhugh L. Greer, of Norfolk, for an improved freight car door; F. M. Gideon, of ballston, turpentine still.

Old and young, thanks to the late freeze, are enjoying skating daily. Now and then some one gets too near a soft place or an air hole and breaks through. Yesterday a man was the victim of such an accident on the creek and took an involuntary cold bath. Marriage licenses were issued in Washington yesterday to Robert H. Greenlaw and Grace V. Hart, both of Stafford county; Henry B. Jones, of Swetnam, and Mamie V. Jones, of Greenwich, and to Joseph W. Piersan and Marcia E. Robery, both of Loudoun county.

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MALTA-VITA is the only Pure, Thoroughly Malted Wheat Food on the market. MALTA-VITA does not contain Starch and Glucos.

A package of MALTA-VITA contains 6 ounce more than any of the imitation goods. The public is invited to come in and try a sample.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

Diamonds and other articles, valued in all at \$1,500 were stolen from the home of Mrs. Della Dooley in Chicago yesterday. A second story window opening on a porch, was pried open with a case knife, which was found by the police.

The investigation by the interstate commerce commission of the manner in which the Louisville & Nashville was acquired by the Southern Railway Company was begun in New York today. President Spencer of the Southern Railway was called as the first witness and told of the manner in which the Southern Railway secure control of the L. & N. It was said that Mr. J. P. Morgan would appear this evening.

Four men were injured in an accident to a freight train on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad at Barnstable, Mass., last evening. The train broke apart and then came together with a crash.

The hottest trust yet is about to be formed according to a report on the spice market. The trust is to control the pepper of the United States. No information is forthcoming as to who is back of the combine.

Erie switchmen to the number of 150 went on strike at Port Jervis, N. Y., this morning. They asked the removal of an assistant yardmaster and a Lehigh Valley railroad man. Traffic is tied up.

Engineers and firemen employed on the Chicago & Western, Indiana and Belt Line have been granted an increase in wages ranging from 8 to 17 per cent.

John Mitchell made a statement today to the strike commission in Philadelphia, saying he was doing all he could to relieve the coal famine.

The Wisconsin republican caucus has chosen United States Senator Spooner to succeed himself.

Ex-Mayor Hewitt, of New York, was this morning much improved and may recover.

[COMMUNICATED.]

THE LEE BANQUET.—In reference to the banquet to be held here on the 19th inst. in commemoration of the birthday of Gen. Robert E. Lee, I wish to state that Senator John W. Daniel and Gen. J. H. Berry, U. S. Senator from Arkansas, are among those who will respond to toasts on that occasion, and I might suggest that the opportunity to hear two such speakers does not often occur. The wide-spread idea that this banquet is confined to members of B. E. Lee Camp is a mistake. We are glad to have with us all who have an interest in hearing the truth as it transpired during the stirring times of 1861-'66.

CONFEDERATE.

The democratic members of the Delaware legislature have made an offer to the regular republican members to elect one anti-Addicks republican and one democratic U. S. Senator.

COUGHS AND COLDS IN CHILDREN

Recommendation of a Well Known Chicago Physician.

I use and prescribe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for almost all obstinate, contracted cough, with direct results. I prescribe it to children of all ages. Am glad to recommend it to all in need and seeking relief from colds and coughs and bronchial affections. It is non-narcotic and safe in the hands of the most unprofessional. A universal panacea for all mankind.—Mrs. Mary R. Melendy, M. D., Chicago, Ill. This remedy is for sale by Richard Gibson, Druggist.

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COURT OF APPEALS.

City of Richmond, &c., vs Smith, by &c. Argued and submitted. Consumers' Brewing Company vs. City of Norfolk. Argued by G. M. Dillard for appellant and Walter H. Taylor for appellee and submitted. Murray vs. Farmville and Powhatan Railway Company. Argued by Judge L. L. Lewis for appellant and continued until today.

The next case to be called is Gray vs. Rumrill.

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Until Further Notice, Store Will Close at 5:30 P. M.

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FOR EVENING WEAR. Beautiful garments, imported and domestic, of lawn and cambric. French Hand-made Petticoats of fine Nainsook and French percale, elaborately trimmed. \$5.50 to \$65 each.

Train Petticoats of fine Lawn; wide flounce, trimmed with Point de Paris lace. \$6.50 each.

Train Petticoats of fine Cambric, graduated flounce of fine lawn, trimmed with Point de Paris insertion and wide ruffle of lace. \$5.00 each.

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Superb Models in Paris Corsets, Made of delicate cottons, batistes and satins, for street and evening wear—some richly plain, others elegantly embroidered. Ranging in Price from \$5.50 to \$35.

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Friday Is Special Bargain Day, And there are hundreds of opportunities to buy something for household or personal use AT HALF, NEARLY HALF AND LESS THAN HALF PRICE. A clear-up of all remnants which have collected since January first and those left from our great holiday business. And there are many such—goods and garments for present use, for personal wear and home adornment. Some few things are soiled, mused or otherwise defaced—but the majority of them are fresh, seasonable goods, principally odds and ends and small lots left from larger lots of new goods, and worth the full price—but they are remnants and must be sold at once. Included also are several unusually strong bargains in merchandise secured under price from manufacturers and importers. There we also offer at very specially low prices for immediate and complete clearance. Every department in the house will be represented.

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Ladies' Hose.

Ladies' All-wool Hose, black and 50c gray, pr., 25 and \$1.00. Ladies' heavy black fleece Hose, pr. 25c and \$1.00. Children's Wool Hose, pair, 15 25c and \$1.00.

Ladies' Waists, Night Robes and Skirts.

Ladies' All-wool Flannel Waists, each, \$1.50, \$2.25 and \$3.00. Ladies' Heavy Walking Skirts, each \$1.50, \$2.25, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$3.98, \$4.50 and \$5.00. Ladies' White Outing Night Robes, each, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Ladies' Colored Outing Night Robes, each, 75c and \$1.00. Ladies' All-wool Knit Under-skirts, each, \$1.00. Ladies' Outing Flannel Under-skirts, each, 25 and 35c. Ladies' Elderdown Dressing Sacques, each, \$1.00. Heavy Flush Lap Robes, each, \$1.75, \$2.75 and \$3.50. Fur Neck Scarfs, each, \$1.75, \$2.98 and \$3.98. Ladies' Black Knit Jackets, each, 80c and \$1.00. Ladies' white and gray heavy ribbed Underwear, 25 and 50c. Ladies' Wool Underskirt Patterns, each, 60c, \$1.00 and \$1.25. Flannelette Waists, each, 50c 69c and \$1.00. Flannelette Wrappers, each, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Fascinators and Shawls, each, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

Men's Goods.

Men's Heavy Fleece Underwear; 50c Shirts and Drawers, each, 39 and 45c. Men's Wool Hose, pair 25c. Men's Unlaundered Shirts, each, 39, 50 and 75c. Men's Warm Wool Gloves, pair, 50c and 75c. Men's Heavy Lined Working Gloves, pair, 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Men's Stiff Bosom Colored Shirts, each, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50. The Manhattan Shirts, white and colored, each, \$1.50.

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