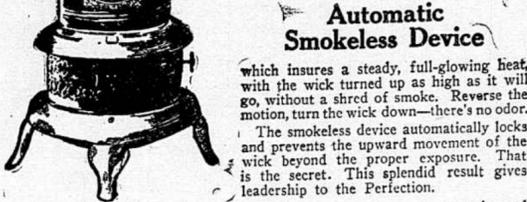


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Alexandria Gazette.

SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 18, 1909.

WEST INDIES TRADE.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette: A week or so ago I sent you a communication, setting forth the advantages to Alexandria and Washington of the establishment of a line of fruit steamers to and from the West Indies.

The writer of this is now prepared to give details and full information as regards the establishment of the proposed new line.

A company has been formed with Mr. Alexander Black, 16 West Pratt street, and other fruit dealers, \$25,000 capital has been subscribed of the \$50,000 capital needed and all that the Baltimore capitalists that Alexandria and Washington merchants should raise the remaining \$25,000 and the opening of the line will be assured in the early spring.

Two steamers of about 500 tons each will be required for a weekly service and they can be chartered at about \$2,500 each per month.

YOUNG WOMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

A young woman of striking appearance registered as Ruth Morton of Chicago, at Queen Ann Cottage, Virginia Beach, twice attempted suicide there. She arrived Wednesday morning from Baltimore. Nothing unusual was noticed about her, save that she was an unusually handsome woman and handsomely dressed.

She went to Virginia Beach to end her life. In her room Wednesday night she drank a bottle of laudanum, and that falling to kill her, Thursday morning she shot herself three times, twice in the right temple and once in the ear, with a .22 caliber vest-pocket revolver. It had not power enough to kill her. She shot a fourth time, but the bullet went wild. When found she was still conscious, but bleeding freely. She was sent to the hospital.

She is still conscious, but neither physicians nor nurses can make her give any information about herself. Detectives are endeavoring to establish her identity.

ELECTROCUTED.

Ollton Breckenridge, a young colored man, was electrocuted in the penitentiary in Richmond yesterday morning for an assault committed several weeks ago on six-year-old Dorothy Powell, the granddaughter of the jailer in Staunton. The trial of Breckenridge was swift and justice was meted out with unusual promptness.

Dr. Wiley, the government chemist, says unless the sale and use of caffeine can be regulated, its use even as a medicine should be stopped in this country. "The greatest drug danger in America is caffeine, which is served in many drinks at soda fountains and is imbibed by children whose parents would not think of allowing them to drink even tea or coffee. Many drugs, even tea and coffee, are taken for stimulation to avoid the sensations of fatigue, and yet fatigue is the danger signal waved by nature. I believe that in a state of health no stimulation whatever is necessary."

WARNS AGAINST CAFFEIN.

What is a cold in the head? Nothing to worry about if you treat it with Ely's Cream Balm. Neglected, the cold may grow into catarrh, and the air passages be so inflamed that you have to fight for every breath. It is true that Ely's Cream Balm cures catarrh promptly. But you know it is old saying about the ounce of prevention. Therefore use Cream Balm when the cold in the head shows itself. All druggists, 50c, or mailed by Ely Bros., 56 Warren Street, New York.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.

The International Convention of the student volunteer movement for foreign missions will be held at Rochester, N. Y., December 23, 1909—January 5, 1910. On account above occasion Southern Railway will sell reduced fare tickets December 26, 27 and 28, 1909, only, final limit for return January 6, 1910, from points in Virginia. Consult agent.

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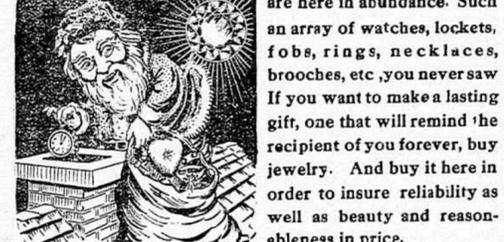
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MEETINGS. RAILROADS

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the ALEXANDRIA NATIONAL BANK will be held at its office, at the corner of King and Royal streets, in the city of Alexandria, state of Virginia, on the 11th day of January, 1910, from 11.00 a. m. to 1.00 p. m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of all other business that may properly come before the said meeting. T. S. SMITH, Cashier, dec11td

THE ANNUAL meeting of the stockholders of THE CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK of Alexandria, Va., will be held at the banking house T. P. DAY, January 11, 1910, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business that may properly be brought before the meeting. RICHARD M. GREEN, Cashier, dec11td

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING OF THE AMERICAN BUTTLE COMPANY OF VIRGINIA.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the American Buttle Company will be held at the office of company No. 111 South Fairfax street, Alexandria, Va., on MONDAY, the 3rd of January, 1910, from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock p. m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the purpose of amending its articles of association and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. W. S. LALIER, President. W. LEBERT HARPER, Secy. and Treasur. dec31td

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the FIRST NATIONAL BANK will be held at the banking house in Alexandria, Va., on TUESDAY, January 11, 1910, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the purpose of amending its articles of association and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier, dec10td

Through trains from the South arrive at Alexandria 6:13 and 6:53 and 10:23 A. M., 2:13, 7:23, 10:38 and 11:58 P. M. daily. Harrodsburg, Va., 11:28 A. M., week days and 9:13 P. M. daily. From Charlottesville to Alexandria on BLUEMONT BRANCH: Leave Alexandria (W. & O. Station, week days at 8:23 A. M. and 3:55 P. M., for Bluemont; 6:33 P. M., week days for Leesburg; 4:55 P. M. daily for Blinnott and 9:25 A. M., local, on Sunday only for Blinnott. For detailed schedule figures, tickets, Pullman car service, apply to WILLIAM G. LEWIS, Union Ticket Agent, Alexandria, Va. C. H. ACKERT, Vice Pres. and Gen. Mgr. E. H. BARDWICK, Pass. Traf. Mgr. L. S. BROWN, General Agent, Alexandria, Va. Washington, D. C.

Washington Southern Ky

Schedule in effect Nov. 7, 1909. Trains leave Union Station for Washington and points north at 7:23, 8:18, 8:22 and 8:33 a. m., 12:1, 2:30, 8:07, 8:08, and 11:33 p. m., daily. For Fredericksburg, Richmond and points south at 4:37, 7:43 and 10:22 a. m., 12:16, 4:22, 4:42, 5:32 and 7:42 p. m., daily. Accommodation for Fredericksburg at 5:18 P. M. only. Note—Time of arrivals and departure and connections not guaranteed. W. P. TAYLOR, Traffic Manager.

Washington, Alexandria & Mt. Vernon Railway

In effect May 1, 1909. LEAVE ALEXANDRIA: For Washington, from corner Prices and Royal streets, week days, at 5:40, 6:05, 6:20, 6:30, 6:40, 6:55, 7:05, 7:15, 7:30, 7:40, 7:50, 8:00, 8:10, 8:20, 8:30, 8:40, 8:50, 9:00, 9:10, 9:20, 9:30, 9:40, 9:50, 10:00, 10:10, 10:20, 10:30, 10:40, 10:50, 11:00, 11:10, 11:20, 11:30, 11:40, 11:50, 12:00, 12:10, 12:20, 12:30, 12:40, 1:00, 1:25, 1:50, 1:55, 2:10, 2:25, 2:30, 2:35, 3:05, 3:25, 3:35, 3:50, 4:10, 4:20, 4:30, 4:40, 4:50, 5:10, 5:25, 5:35, 5:50, 6:00, 6:20, 6:30, 6:40, 6:50, 7:00, 7:10, 7:20, 7:30, 7:40, 7:50, 8:00, 8:10, 8:20, 8:30, 8:40, 8:50, 9:00, 9:10, 9:20, 9:30, 9:40, 9:50, 10:00, 10:10, 10:20, 10:30, 10:40, 10:50, 11:00, 11:10, 11:20, 11:30, 11:40, 11:50, 12:00, 12:10, 12:20, 12:30, 12:40, 12:50, 1:00, 1:10, 1:20, 1:30, 1:40, 1:50, 2:00, 2:10, 2:20, 2:30, 2:40, 2:50, 3:00, 3:10, 3:20, 3:30, 3:40, 3:50, 4:00, 4:10, 4:20, 4:30, 4:40, 4:50, 5:00, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:40, 5:50, 6:00, 6:10, 6:20, 6:30, 6:40, 6:50, 7:00, 7:10, 7:20, 7:30, 7:40, 7:50, 8:00, 8:10, 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