

LOCAL NEWS.

**"OLD INSTITUTIONS."**—In reply to a note from a correspondent, we would state that Jamieson's Bakery, and the Alexandria Gazette, are, as he says, two of the "oldest institutions" in the place. Our correspondent says that he has "read Snowden's Gazette and eaten Jamieson's crackers, forty years ago in England and South America, and they were as familiar to him in his wanderings as they are at his own fireside."

**MASONIC.**—At a recent meeting of Andrew Jackson Lodge, the following officers were elected:—B. F. Price, Master; J. R. Alexander, Senior Warden; M. Eldridge, Junior Warden; J. T. Crump, Senior Deacon; J. T. Devaughn, Junior Deacon; S. King Shay, Secretary; J. D. Jarvis, Treasurer; Joseph Foard, Tyler.

The "reverend gentleman," upon whom some insinuations were cast about the taking off of a "turkey" from the dinner at the Slough barracks, replies "that the Turkey referred to was given to him by the ladies and appropriated to the benefit of a poor distressed family."

**BIGAMY.**—A man named John Beach, has been arrested in this place, charged with having married a woman in Montgomery county, Md., he at the same time having a wife and children here. He has been committed to jail, to await his examination before the County Court.

**OYSTERS.**—Several vessels with cargoes of Oysters have arrived since Saturday. The prices are from 75 cents to \$2.00 per bushel. If the river continues open we may expect soon full supplies and of excellent quality.

**JEW.**—It is said that as late as the year 1848, there were not more than three or four Jewish residents in this place. Now, they constitute a large portion of the business population of the city.

**TRAINS.**—It is said that the Railroad train was fired at yesterday, between Springfield and Accotink bridge. No damage was done.

**THE WEATHER** is cold, the wind from the N. E., and there were indications of a fall of snow this morning.

It is proposed to hold a World's Convention of spiritualists in New York on the 22d of February next, the sittings of which will continue for a week.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY

AT THE

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Washington Street, bet. King and Prince, Alexandria, Va.

SABBATH JANUARY 22d, 1865.

Sermon in the morning, at 11 o'clock.

By REV. THOMAS BOWMAN, D. D., Chaplain U. S. Senate.

SABBATH SCHOOL MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY,

In the afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Addresses by Hon. W. S. WILLEY, of West Virginia, and Hon. HIRAM PRICE, of Iowa.

IN THE EVENING AT 7 O'CLOCK,

Addresses by Hon. J. HARLAN, of Iowa; Hon. W. S. WILLEY, of West Virginia, and Hon. H. PRICE, of Iowa,

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**GEN. LEE.**—An article in the Richmond Sentinel states that General Lee declines to be Generalissimo of the Southern Armies. It intimates that the relations between Gen. Lee and the Executive are of the most confidential character and that he is connected on all important military operations. It adds:

"General Lee is the officer now highest in command in the line of the army. General Cooper, who alone stands above him in the army list, is on staff, not on line duty. Whenever General Lee is in the field, therefore he commands not only all troops that are within the department assigned to him, but all who may happen to serve in connection with his command. The limits of his department are bounded solely by his own opinion of his ability to extend the necessary supervision over the operations."

In Parson Brownlow's speech accepting the Union Convention's nomination for Governor of Tennessee, he said: "God being my help, if you will send up a legislature to reorganize the militia and pass other necessary business, I will put an end to this infernal system of guerilla fighting in the State, in East, Middle and West Tennessee, if we have to shoot every man concerned." [Loud and long continued applause.]

Gold, in New York, to day 217.

It is understood that Gen. Butler will testify before the Committee on the Conduct of the War, to morrow. He has arrived in Washington.

The town of Esmeralda, Ecuador, was nearly destroyed by fire on the 9th ultimo. Loss, \$100,000.

ALEXANDRIA WATER COMPANY.

A special dividend will be made of certain funds received from the United States for water rents among such of the Stockholders of the Alexandria Water Company, as shall, on or before the 15th day of February next take the oath of allegiance prescribed in the President's amnesty proclamation of the 8th of December, 1863. Copies of the oath will be furnished on application to me.

R. JOHNSTON, Treasurer,  
Alexandria Water Company.

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FOR RENT.

The house on the S. E. corner of Royal and Duke Streets, formerly the Lecture Room of the 1st Presbyterian Church. The building is 52 feet long and 19 feet 6 inches wide, and is a good location for any business. It is also convenient for the delivery of lectures, or as a club room. Apply at 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Duke st., or at the Office at Gas Works. Jan 10—1w

600 YARDS OF DRESS SILK.

We have left, of our old stock, about fifty Dress Patterns of PLAID and STRIPED SILK. Also, SILK ROBES, which we will sell for about one half of their present market value. ROBERT L. WOOD,

Jan 14—1m 170, King below Washington st.

FLOUR.

150 bbls. of Family, Extra, and Superfine FLOUR, also, another lot of the celebrated SILVER SPRING; received and for sale by DAVY & HARMON,

Jan 16—2w corner of Prince and Royal sts.

EDGAR SNOWDEN SR'S OFFICE, corner of King and Royal streets, over Mr. Owings's Store, where he will receive subscriptions and advertisements for the ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE. Persons having business with the office, can transact it with him. Jan 16—1w

WE ARE now offering our stock of FRENCH MERINOES, CASHMERE, PLAIDS, SHAWLS, CLOAKS, &c., at a great reduction on this season's prices. R. L. WOOD,

No. 170, King, below Washington street.

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GENERAL NEWS.

The steam sloop of war San Jacinto, Capt. Meade, was lost on the 1st inst., on a reef on the Bahamas banks. On the day previous, she had been chasing a blockade runner, which escaped by reaching neutral waters.—The San Jacinto stood in shore, but the night being dark and the currents uncertain, the vessel overran her reckoning. A heavy gale set in, and the next morning she bilged, her sides being crushed in. Her officers and crew were saved, as also was her guns and most of her stores.

Miss Mollie McDonough, of Charlestown, Va., who was arrested in that place about three months ago, upon the charge of being connected with the death of Capt. E. M. Buchanan, who was killed in that place on the 27th of September, died in the Old Capitol Prison yesterday, of typhoid fever. John A. McDonough, who was arrested as the principal in the murder, is still in the Old Capitol.

Parties from Sharpsburg and Hagerstown, Md., say that some uneasiness exists in Western Maryland owing to reported movements of Confederate troops in the valley, and the appearance of Confederate scouts along the river, some of whom it is said are scouring in Pennsylvania.

The U. S. War Department has issued an order prohibiting, under pain of dismissal from the service, any officer from giving information concerning the sentence of civilians by military commission before the sentence shall have been executed.

MARINE'S

Dancing Academy,

NO. 145, KING STREET,

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

SECOND AND LAST QUARTER OF THE SEASON.

The second quarter of this Academy will commence on Monday, January, 16, 1865.

Application for tuition can be made at the Academy, on the days and evenings of tuition.

DAYS OF TUITION:

Mondays and Wednesdays—For Ladies, Misses and Masters, from 3 to 5 o'clock, P. M. For Gentlemen, from 8 to 10 o'clock, P. M. Jan 10—2w

FISH WHARF FOR RENT.—

Sealed proposals, addressed to the undersigned, and left with him, will be received by the Committee on Public Property until Monday, 23rd instant, at ten o'clock A. M. for renting the public Fish Wharf for the next fishing season, namely: from the first day of March to the first day of June 1865. The rent must be paid immediately on acceptance of the bid, or the property will be relet at the pleasure of the Committee, at the risk and expense of the party in default. R. JOHNSTON, Auditor. Jan 9—tf

WE call the particular attention of dealers to our stock of DRY GOODS, consisting of Cloths, Cassimeres, Dress Goods, Cottons, Irish Linens, Calicoes, Hoop Skirts, Flannels, Blankets, Balmoral Skirts, Table Linens, Towels, Oil Cloths, Lamb's Wool Shirts, Gloves, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Shirt Collars, and all Goods in our line, which we are offering at prices that cannot fail to please. ROBERT L. WOOD

No. 170, King, below Washington st. Jan 13—1m

FOR RENT.—That valuable BUSINESS STAND, No. 7, N. W. corner of King and Union streets. Possession on the 1st of February. Apply at No. 13 King street. Jan 13—eotfl

D. R. W. KILMER.

Office No. 114 Prince street, corner of Pitt. Jan 8—1y