MICHARD TIMES.

My lad what can the matter be

Beneath this new made mound," he said,

"Lies she I loved most dear

She too was once so fair to see, But alas now sleepeth here.

How dear to me I cannot tell,

I loved 'not fondly, but too well,'

Forget her ! 'tis an idle thought,

Could I forget the sun.

That is so true and lights my path

Forget her, no, what e'er the day,

Did we love? Ah, yes, too dearly,

That I will never see her more, Her spirit says the angels took her To a brighter, happier home.

This brightest star I'll ne'er forget,

This world is now all loneliness,

Thus at lest the link is broken,

All my happy dreams are o'er,

I'll be content while life remains,

I'll hope from day to day,

He gave and taketh away.

I will thus live on without a friend,

Pain is our lot, and death the end

HARRISONBURG, VA. July the 18th, 1876.

LOVE IN A COTTAGE.

"Tell me, Charley, who is that fasci

nating creature in blue that waltzes so divinely?" asked young Frank Belmont

of his friend, Charles Hastings, as they stood "playing wall flower" for the mo-ment at a military ball.

"Simply because I had a comforta-

-a dignified fiend, with his pockets.

full of money—but my tormentor per-sonified, whould appear in seedy boots and a shocking bad hat."

"How absurd!"
"It is too true," sighed Belmont

"and the name of this fiend is poverty!"

"Yes, madame, I am poor, and when

Belmont appeared enchanted with

to say nothing of his actual circum-

stances, he called on the widow Heath-

cote and her fair daughter in the char-

acter of the "poor gentlemen." The widow had very different notions from

her romantic offspring, and when Bel-

mont candidly confessed his poverty on

soliciting permission to address Julia.

he was very politely requested to

change the subject, and never mention

I would fain render myself agreeable

offer her but love in a cottage."

"Are you poor?"

neath the palace roof."

it again.

I proposed, but she refused me."

"On what ground?"

and money is a bane."

For God alone doeth all things well.

And unless we meet in heaven,

T will never see her more.

Now maiden tell me is it true

Where'er I go it matters not,
Like fairest flowers that bloom in May,
My loved one ne'er shall be forgot.

Ever to forget our yow;
But God loves youth and took her early,
She is with the angels now.

Which ever way I turn.

Was this fair bud of life,

CORPORATION ELECTION.

Developments of the Last Century.

The New York Tribune on Monday

has an interesting article of the devel-

opments of the first century of the

United States, from which the an-

At the outbreak of the revolution in

1776 the total population of the colonies was estimated at 2,250,000, exclusive of 500,000 slaves at the South.

increased 593 per cent., that of England and wales 121 per cent., and that

of France only 37 per cent., and annexation has only contributed 150,000,-

000 to this great increase in the United. Nearly 10,000,000 of our population are foreigners or the descendants of for-eigners. It has been estimated that

if the fusion of elements were com-

3 Romanic and 12½ uncertain. In

1870 the ratio of the colored to the whole population was 14½ to 100, but

the rate of increase of the colored race during the decade was far behind that

of the whole population. From 1853 to 1874 the whole number of China-

men who arrived in this country was

144.328. The total number of Indians

in the United States in 1870 was 383,-

712, of whom 96,366 were on govern-

ment reservations. In 1790 one-thir-

tieth of the population was in cities,

and there were only six towns whose

populations exceeded 8,000; in 1870

one-fifth of the population was muni-

cipal, and there were 374 incorpora-

ted cities. According to the last census nearly 6,000,000 of the population

are engaged in agricultural pursuits,

1,200,000 in trade and transportation,

2,700,000 in manufacturing and min-

ing, and 2,600,000 in professional life,

and there are 43,000 clergymen, 40,-

000 lawyers, 62,000 physicians, 126,-822 teachers, 2,000 actors, 5,200 jour-

the colonies that united in the Decla-

ration of Independence exceeded 800,

000 square miles, and the aggregate

area covered by population in 1790

was 259,935 square miles. The Loui-

The annexation of Texas in 1845; the

treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo in 1848,

and the Gadsden purchase in 1853

brought 967,451 square miles, and fi-

nally the Alaska investment involved

the acquisition of 500,000 square miles.

The area is now 3,603,844 square miles,

or 1,942,000,000 acres, one-half of

which are public lands. In surface

extent three nations only surpass the

United States-the British, Chinese

and Russian empires. The arable

land under cultivation is less than one-

In 1776 the farmer went to the vil-

lage blacksmith when he needed a

plow, and many of his tools were made,

n his own woodshed. To-day the manu-

facture of farm implements is one of

the leading industries of the nation,

the production of 2,000 establishments

amounting to \$50,000,000 in 1870. At

the close of the revolution the produc-

tion of cotton in the South was scarce-

ly 100 bales, now the annual product

is about 4,000,000 bales. In 1870 the

production of the six cereals-corn

wheat, rye, barley, oats and buckwheat

-was 1,287,299,153 bushels. This is

an allowance of 33 bushels for every

inhabitant or 25 bushels more than the

average man requires annually. The

total value of the farm, garden, orch-

ard and forest products (including live

stock slaughtered) was \$2,974, 781,099

gregate area of the farms was 407,735

surface of the country. The cash value of these farms was \$9,262,803,861;

farm implements, \$336,878,420; live stock, \$1 525,277,476.

In 1790 the value of the manufac-

tures of the United States was estima-

ted by Alexander Hamilton at \$20 000,-

000. In 1870 there were 252,148 man-

ufacturing establishments in the Uni-

ted States, with a capital of \$2,113

208,769. The raw material consumed

was worth \$2,488,427,242; the value of

tenth of the total area.

domestic servarts.

nexed facts are taken:

(For the Old Commonwealth.) The result of all this manœuvering was an elopment, the belle of the ball jumping out of a chamber window on THE CHURCH YARD SCENE. THE BY ANNA B. LOWENER. A lad was sitting weeping
In the church yard near the town,
The scene was sad to look upon,
For the tears were trickling down.

With a youth so young and fair, Why you should be from sorrow free And ne'er think of despair? An Irish hack conveyed them to a I'm sure your face is very fair, Your form most noble too, miserable shanty in the environs of New

York, where they alighted, and Frank escorted the bride into the apartment which served for parlor, kitchen, and With three bright ringlets on your brow, Thus spoke a mald to this weeping lad,
Who sat there all alone drawing-room, and was neither papered nor carpeted, introduced her to his By a new made grave in the church-yard, Marked with a plain white stone. mother, much in the way Claude Mel-notte presents Pauline. The old wo-man, who was peeling potatoes, hastily wiped her hands and face with a greasy The lad looked up in wonder,
And thus spoke soft and clear,
"Ym sad, slone and desolate,
For the one I loved lies here. apron, and saluted her "darter," as she called her, on both cheeks.

"Can it be possible," thought Julia, "that this vulgar creature is my Belmont's mother?

"Frank!" screamed the old woman "you'd better go right up stairs and take off them clothes—for the boy's Frow which comes grief and strife been arter 'em morn'n fifty times.— Frank borried them clothes, ma'am," she added to Julia, by way of explana-tion, "to look smart when he went down

The bridegroom retired on this hint, and soon reappeared in a pair of faded nankin pantaloons, reaching to about the calf of the leg, a very shabby black coat, out at the elbows, a ragged black vest, and, instead of his varnished leather boots, a pair of immense cowhide

brogans.
"Now," said he sitting quietly down by the cooking stove, "I begin to feel at home. Ah! this is delightful, isn't it dearest?" and he warbled. Though ever so humble, there is no place like home. Julia's heart swelled so that she

could not utter a word. "Dearest," said Frank, "I think you told me you had no objection to smoking ?"

"None in the least," said the bride; "I rather like the flavor of a cigar." "Oh, a cigar," replied Belmont, "that would never do for a poor man.' And oh, horror! he produced an

old clay pipe, and filling it from a little newspaper parcel of tobacco began to smoke with a keen relish. "Dinner! dinner!" he exclaimed at length; "ah! thank you mother, I'm as

hungry as a bear. Codfish and potatoes, Julia-uot very tempting farebut what of that? our aliment is love!" "Yes, and by the way of a treat," added the old woman, "I've been and gone and bought a whole pint of Al-"Julia Heathcote," answered Charles | bany ale and three cream cakes, from

with a half sigh, "an old flame of mine. | that candy shop in the next block." could not eat a mouthful. Before Belmont, however, the codfish and potable income. Her lead is all of romactoes, and ale and cream cake disappeared with a romantic and unloverbut love in a cot age. She contends that poverty is essential to happiness, like velocity. At the close of the meal a thundering double knock was heard

at the door. "Have you given up all hopes of her?" "Entirely; in fact, I'm engaged." "Come in !" cried Belmont. A low-browed man, in a green waist-"Then you have no objections to my addressing this dear romantic angel?" coat entered.

"Now, Mister Belmont," he exclaim "None whatever. But I see my ed in a strong Hibernian accent, "are fiancee-excuse me-I must walk you ready to go to work? By the powers! if I don't see ye salted to-morrow through the next quadrilles with her." Frank Belmont was a stranger in Boston—a New Yorker—immensely on the shop-board, I'll discharge you without a character-and ye shall rich and fashionable, but his reputation starve on top of that."

had not preceded him and Charley "To-morrow morning, Mr. Maloney," Hasting was the only man who knew replied Belmont meekly, "I'll be at my him in New England. He procured post."

"And it'll be mighty healthy for you to do the same," replied the man as he an introduction to the beauty from one of the managers, and soon danced and to do the talked himself into her good graces.— retired. In fact it was a clear case of love at "Belmont, speak-tell me," gasped

first sight on both sides.

The enamored pair were sitting apart Julia, "who is that man, that loafer?" "He is my employer," answered Belenjoying a most delightful tete-a-tete, suddenly he heaved a deep sigh.

"Why do you sigh, Mr. Belmont?" mont, smiling. "And his profession?"

"He is a tailor."

asked the fair Julia somewhat pleased "And you?" with this proof of sensibility. "Is not "A journeyman tailor, at your serthis a gay scene ?"
"Alas! yes," replied Belmont gloom vice—a laborious and thankless calling it ever was to me but now, dearest, as ily; "but fate does not permit me to I drive the hissing goose across the smoking seam, I shall think of my own mingle habitually in scenes like this. They only make my ordinary life dou- angel and my dear cottage, and be hap-

bly gloomly—and even here I seem to py. That night Julia retired weeping to away. What right have I to be here?" her room in the attic. What do you allude to?" asked Miss

"That 'ere counterpin, darter," said Heathcote, with increasing interest.

"A fiend hardly presentable in good society," replied Belmont, bitterly.—

"One could tolerate a Memphistophiles the old woman, "I worked with these here old hands-ain't it purty? I hope you will sleep well here. There's a broken pane of glass, but I've to put one of Frank's old hats in it and don't think you'll feel the draught. There used to be a good many rats here, but I don't think they'll trouble you, for

Frank's been pizinin' of 'em.'

Left alone, Julia threw herself into a chair and burst into a flood of tears. Even Belmont ceased to be attractive in her eyes-the stern privation that surrounded her banished all thoughts of love. The realities of life had cured

in the eyes of beauty—in the eyes of one I could love—this fiend whispers her in one day of all her Quixotic notions "Well, Julia, how do you like poverto me, Beware! you have nothing to ty and love in a cottage?" asked Belmont, entering in his bridal dress.
"Not so well, sir, as you seem to like "Mr. Belmont," said Julia, with

sparkling eyes, and a voice of unusual animation, "although there are sordid souls in this world, who only judge of that borrowed suit," answered the bride, reddening with vexation. "Very well, you shall suffer it no the merits of an individual by his pelonger. My carriage awaits your or-

cuniary possessions, I am not one of that number. I respect poverty; there is something highly poetical about it, and I imagine that happiness is oftener found in the humble cottage than beders at the door.' "Your carriage, indeed!" "Yes, dearest, it waits but for you, to bear us to Belmont Hall, my lovely

villa on the Hudson." "And your mother?" this encouraging avowal. The next day, after cautioning his friend Charley "I have no mother, alas! The old

voman down stairs is an old servant of

"Then you have been deceiving me, Frank-how wicked."

"It was all done with a good motive. You were not born to endure a life of privation, but to shine the ornament of an elegant and refined circle. I hope you will not love me less when you earn that I am worth half a million-that's the melancholy fact, and I can't "Oh, Frank!" oried the beautiful INCREASE IN POPULATION AND AREA -- PRO-GRESS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, ETC.

girl, and she hid her face in his bosom. She presided with grace at the elea shed, and coming down a flight of steps to reach her lover, for the sake of being romantic, when she might just as well have walked out of the front door. greatest fortitude and resignation, The happy couple passed a day in New York city, then Frank took his beloved to his "cottage."

The South in the Republic. In the address of Gen. D. H. Hill before the Meckleuburg (N. C.) Histor-In 1870 the population of the United States was 38,557,371, making the fifth of the great empires of the world, and it is now undoubtedly the fourth. During sixty years (1800 to 1860) the population of the United States has ical Society, which is republished in the May number of the "Southern Historical Society papers," some interest-ing facts are revived as to the contributions which the South has made to the military and civil service of the republic. Beginning with the fact that the commander in-chief in the first great rebellion was a Virginian, it is added that the South furnished troops out of all proportion to her population. Almost all the battle-fields of the North were drenched with Southern blood .-At the battle of Long Island (Brooklyn) a regiment of Marylanders fought plete, of 100 drops of American blood, 25 would be Anglo-Saxon, 27 German, 2 Dutch or Scandinavian, 30½ Celtic, so stoutly and checked the British advance so long that it was virtually destroyed. Half the victors at Trenton and Princeton were from Virginia.— Two future Presidents of the United States, of southern birth, were in the battle, one of whom was wounded .-The only general officer there slain was from Fredericksburg, Va., and he was commanding Southern troops.— The retreat at White Plains was saved from disaster by a charge of Southern troops, and at Germantown a Southern brigade gained immortal honor. The Virginia troops bore the brunt of the battle of Brandywine. At Monmouth and on the plains of Saratoga Southern blood mingled with Northern in the battles of freedom. After the massacre by the Indians in the valley of Wyoming, 1776, George Rogers Clarke, of Virginia, with a brigade of his countrymen, penetrated to the upper Mississippi, chastised the savages, captured the British garrison at Detroit, and seized £10,000 sterling, a most seasonable addition to our currency. In the war of 1812 Harrison and Jackson, Southern men, gained the most laurels, as shown by the elevation of both of them to the presidency for their military prowess. The most brilliant land fights of that war were in defense of New Orleans, Mobile, Craney Island and Baltimore, in which few but Southern troops were engaged. While the North may have furnished more of the naval heroes in that contest, yet the war of 1812 was unpopular in New England, and the South again furnished more than her furnished more of the naval heroes in South again furnished more than her tional domain; the Spanish cession in proportion of troops. Kentucky is 1819 embraced 59,268 square miles.—said to have furnished more troops for The appexation of Texas in 1845; the the invasion of Canada than any State in the Union. If we read of the bloody battles in Canada we are struck with the number of Southern officers there engaged, mostly general officers—Wilkinson, Izzard, Winder, Drayton, Hampton, Scott, Towson, Brooke, Gaines, &c. The supplies of the army in the revolution and in the war of 1812 came largely from the South. In the Mexican war the commanders of both American armies were Virginians, one of whom (Taylor) became President, and the other an unsuccessful candidate for the presidency. Twothirds of the volunteer troops for that war were from the South. Even in the late civil war the federal President was a Southern born man, and the first commander-in-chief, whose plan for the subsequent conduct of the war was probably that which was finally successfuly acted on, was a Virginian.-Next to Grant and Sherman, whose leading military conceptions were, per-haps, derived from Gen. Scott, the most successful federal generals were Southern men, viz: Thomas, Canby, Blair, Sykes, Ord, Getty, Anderson, Alexander, Nelson, &c. Gen. Hill de-clares that the stubborn resistance of Gen. Thomas at Chickamauga and the refusal of Andrew Johnson to give up Nashville, as Buell directed, dug the grave of the confederacy. Farragut, of or \$80 for each inhabitant. The ag l'ennessee, rose to the highest rank in the federal navy. The naval forces at 041 acres, or about 21 per cent. of the Hatteras were under command of Goldsborough, of Maryland. Gen. Hill is of opinion that the South furnished as many troops to the federal army as did the populous North. At any rate there were no better troops in the Union service. Missouri gave 108,773 soldiers to the federal army Kentucky 92,000, and Maryland 49,-730. Other Southern States contributed in greater or less degree. In all there were 400,000 native-born Southerners in the federal service. This does not include the 250,000 negro troops, without whom Mr. Stanton said that "the life of the nation" could not have been saved-which, though, is generally regarded as bosh. In regard to the loss of life in the battles of the late war Gen. Hill states that since the introduction of firearms the losses sus tained in the great battles of the world have only in rare cases been so much as a fourth of the troops engaged, and

they range from that up to one-twen-

tieth. The Confederates thought that

battle almost a skirmish in which their

losses did not exceed a fourth. Tried

by this test European fighting has

been child's play in comparison. "I

am ashamed for strangers to see my

barefoot, ragged boys in camp," said Gen. Lee to an English visitor, "but I

would be glad for all the world to see

It is not necessary to follow Gen.

too, has done for the common country, \$362,000,000. The principal exports

them on the field of battle.'

the products was \$4,232,325,442; the wages amounted to \$775,584,643, and the profit realized was \$1,743,898,200. or \$645.25 for every inhabitant. The leading industries are leather, lumber, cotton, wool, paper, clothing, flour and meat, pig and bar iron, agricultural implements, carriages and wagons, sugar refining and tobacco. The iron industry in 1870 was second to that of Great Britain. The maximum of the imports of the colonies of New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Maryland was reached in 1771; that of the Carolinas in 1772, and that of Georgia in 1775. The exports of New England fell from £116,588 in 1775 to £762 in 1776, and those of New York in the same proportion. The export trade of Virginia and the Carolinas was eleven times as great as that of New England. but when the declaration was signed it had been virtually suspended. From Hill's sketch of the political services of | 1792 to 1807 exports and imports shot the South to the country from the be- up with extraordinary rapidity. Durginning of Washington's administration | ing the long period of commercial deto that of Gen. Grant. Without dispersion ending in 1830, they average paraging either the military or the civil \$78,000,000. The crisis of 1837 caused services of the North to the republic, it another decline, and then the figures may be well in this centennial year to rose rapidly, until in 1840 the exports revive the memory of what the South, exceeded \$400,000,000 and the imports

pork, ham and cheese. During the last fifteen years petroleum has become one of the leading staples for export. In 1873 the imports exceeded \$642,000,000, and the exports \$626,-000,000. Previous to 1866 from seventy-five to eighty per cent. of the merchandise which entered and left our ports was borne by American vessels. In 1864 the per centage had decreased to flity-six, in 1868 to fortysix, and in 1871 to thirty-eight. From 1872 to 1876 there was a considerable increase in the strength of our commercial navy, the total tonnage having risen to 4,858,752.

The developments of the mineral resources of the United States have been immense. During the colonial period a few crude attempts were made to mine copper, and lead and iron ores were worked with partial success in Pennsylvania. Coal was mined in Virginia as early as 1750, but the anthracite of Eastern Pennsylvania was not discovered until 1770. The extent of the productive coal fields now known is 125,000 square miles. In 1873-4, 45,413,340 tons of coal were mined. The first petroleum oil well was sunk in 1857. The product in 1874 was over 10,500,000 barrels of crude oil, and the value of the export was nearly \$31,000,000. Theiron ore made by sixteen States in 1870 aggregated over 3,000,000 tons, one-third of which came from Pennsylvania. The copper mines of Lake Superior were not opened until 1849; in 1874 the total production exceeded 19,000 tons. The total production of gold in the United States in 1873 was \$36,000,-000, and the grand total of gold and silver from 1874 to 1875 was \$1,500,-

When the Declaration of Independence was signed there was not a single bank in the fourteen colonies to aid Robert Morris in keeping the wolf from the door of the American camp. There are to-day in the United States 907 chartered State banks, 2,118 national banks, 666 savings banks and 2,375 private banks—6,066 in all. When the second war with Great Britain broke out 89 banks had been organized under State charters with a capital of over \$40,000,000. The State nalists, 1,000,000 laborers and 975,000 banks at the present time have a capital of \$164,366,669, while the national The territory nominally occupied by banks have attracted over \$500,000,000 to their support.

The first canals built in the United States were in Massachusetts. They were short channels, affording a passage of the rapids at South Hadley and Montague Falls, on the Connecticut, one two miles long and the other three, with a lift of lockage of forty and seventy-five feet. These works were constructed in 1792, and a short canal was completed at Lowell in 1808. The Erie canal was begun in 1817, and opened in 1825, at a total expense of \$7,602,000. Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois soon followed the lead of New York, and in 1840 there were 8,850 miles in operation. A year after the completion of the Erie canal the first charter for the construction of an American railroad was granted. It was a short tramway of three miles, from Boston to the Neponset river. Two years later Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, who had signed the Declaration of Independence, broke ground for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. The cars were drawn by horses after the failure of an attempt to propel them by sails. It was not until 1832 that locomotives were attached to the cars .-There are to-day 74,658 miles of railroad in operation, with an aggregate capital of \$4,658,208,630 and gross earnings of \$503,065,505, paying dividends amounting to \$74,294,208, and

moving 200,000,000 tons of freight. The telegraph service of the United States is now rendered by seven corporations, controlling 80,000 miles of wire line and carrying 14,000,000 messages annually.

In 1776 there were few intermediate

schools. Early in the century academies were founded in the Northern States, and these gave place to high schools in the revival of education, conducted by Horace Mann. In 1870 the school population was 14,000,000; the number of teachers 241,300: the number of enrolled scholars 8,000,000, and the annual expense of the system \$75,000,000. There were 4,500,000 persons over ten years of age who could not read, and 5,600,000 who could not write. In 1770 there were 9 colleges in the colonies, 6 of which had been open only 30 years. In 1875 degrees were conferred by 374 colleges; and there were in addition 106 schools of law, medicine and theology, and 35 colleges for women.

The General Court of Massachusetts granted in 1846, to Joseph Jencks, of of Lynn, a patent for "the making of engines for mills to go with water, for the more speedy dispatch of work than formerly, and mills for the making of scythes and other edged tools." This was the beginning of a national patent system. In 1800 there were 675 patents granted in England and 306 in the United States. In 1870 the record was 35,079 from England and 79,612 for the United States. There have been 120,000 patents granted by the federal government since 1800, and on the roll of honor are such name as Fulton, Whitney, Morse and Howe.

The number of printing presses in the colonies in 1776 was 40. The number of libraries in 1870 was 164,-815, with 45,528,938 volumes, and the aggregate circulation of the newspapers and periodicals was one thousand five hundred million copies annually.

Many flowers open to the sun, but only one follows him constantly .-Heart, be thou the san flower, not only open to receive God's blessing, but and to vindicate the truth of history. | were wheat, flour, cotton, tobacco, constant in looking to him.

CENTENNIAL CANZONET.

The centuries fall at his command, Who made the world and all therein, Who made our great and glorious land, And who gives us life and pardons sin.

BY EDWARD & SHEPP,

Arise, Americans, why still repose And slumber on this memorial morn 7 Why remain ye silent and morose? Behold to-day our country was born. O come, ye people of the Earth, And answer to our call, To celebrate a nation's birth— Our country is free to all.

Let music's melodious voice ring
While the Old World meets the New;
Let un all bow before our King,
And let our hearts not be crowned with rue. I.o, when the war-flags of nations stand, Waved gently by the dulest zeplyr's breeze, Behold, proud kings and princes grand, Are dyed in raiments insde beyond the seas. Kept sacred in years to come; Let the voice of justice animate the free, And honor and peace reign alone.

INGLEW DOD, VA., July 4th, 1876.

Origin of Names of States.

Maine takes its name from the province of Main in France, and was so called in compliment to the Queen of Charles I., Henrietta, its owner.

New Hampshire-first called Laconia-from Hampshire, England. Vermont from the Green Mountains, (French, verd mont.)
Massachusetts, from the Indian lan-

guage, signifying the country about the great hills. Connecticut was Mohegan, spelled

originally Quoin-eh-ta cut, signifying "long river." New York was so named in compliment to the Duke of York, whose

brother, Charles II., granted him that territory. New Jersey was named by one of its original proprietors, Sir George Carter, after the island Jersey in the British Channel, of which he was Gov-

ernor. Pennsylvania, as is generally known takes its name from William Penn, and the word "sylvania," meaning woods.

Delaware derives its name from Thomas West, Lord De la Ware Governor of Virginia. Maryland receives its name from

the Queen of Charles I., Henrietta Maria. Virginia got its name from Queen Elizabeth unmarried, or Virgin Queen. The Carolines were named in honor

of Charles I., and Georgia in honor of George II. Florida gets its name from Kasquas de Flores, or "Feast of the Flowers."

signifying "the land of rest." Louisiana was so named in honor of Louis XIV.

Mississippi derived its name from that of the great river, which is, in the Natchez tongue, "The Father of Wa-

Arkansas is derived from the Indian word Kansas, "smoky waters," with the French prefix of "ark"—a bow. Tennessee is an Indian name, mean

ing "The river with a big bend." Kentucky is also an Indian name-

'Kain-tuk-ae," signifying "at the head of the river. Ohio is the Shawnee name for "The

peautiful river." Michigan's name was derived from the lake, the Indian name for fish weir or trap, which the shape of the lake suggested.

Indiana's name came from that of the Indians. Illinois' name is derived from the Indian word "Illini" (men) and the French affixed "ois," making "Tribe of

men. Wisconsin's name is said to be the Indian name for a wild, rushing chan-

Missouri is also an Indian name for muddy, having reference to the muddiness of the Missouri river.

Kansas is an Ludian word for smoky Iowa signifies in the Indian language "The drowsy ones," and Minne-

Rev. Robert Collyer's Story on Republi-

ota "a cloudy water."

We hear a great deal now-a-days from Republicans about "reforming the party inside of the party," and they say to the people just give us another term and a new era will commence. The Rev. Robert Collyer, of Chicago, illustrated the way Republicans reform by telling the following good story:

A great many years ago, on one of our Southwestern rivers, there was an old skipper who had a steamboat which was sailing in shoaly water and and got stuck in the mud. She swung around in the water and there was no chance to get her affoat, do what they would. He was a terrible profane old fellow and everybody knew it through the country. Suddenly an idea struck him. He said to one of his deck hands: "You go up and tell them I have got religion, and that I want them to come and hold a prayer meeting on board.' The deck hands went to the town and spread the news around, and every one being interested in the old skipper's conversion, went down to hold the prayer meeting. The old man was standing ready to receive them, and as they came down he said to every man "go aft," and they all went aft until there was a great weight and the end which was in the mud got loose and the ship floated off. As soon as they floated off the skipper he said: "The meeting is over, jump ashore!" [Great laughter.] In our Republican party -I mean those leaders-there are men who get religion every time there is "Gentlemen, go aft, go aft; and we go

WIT AND HUMOR.

Offenbach receives \$30,000 a month. Too cheap; Rebeson has made as high as \$80,000 a month by his performan-

A Wisconsin lady who has placed a real Venetian gondola in one of the lakes of that State is frequently wounded by hearing it called "that old black dug-out."

"Sixteen drams make one drink," mused a drug clerk, one night, as he tried to open the store door with his watch key, "Hang me if I remember the rest of the table!"

Helmbold went insane, and now Dr. Ayer is a lunatic. It is too much strain on a man's nerve-ti sues ting to cure everything for a dollar.

Anna Dickinson can do evenything well in her play except the part where she throws her arms around the man and shouts, "I love you—I love you!" In this she shows a lack of experience.

The search after Sidney Lanier, the author of the Centennial cantata, is still continued by his enraged countrymen. He is supposed to be hiding away under some Georgia woodpile.— Brooklyn Argus.

An inebriate recently fell and broke his nose against a barber's pole. On being raised from the ground he asked, "What'n thunder 'zat woman wi' sriped stockings on got agin me?"

"They came here," said Artemus Ward of the Purituns, "that the ylmight worship in their own way and prevent other people worshiping in their'n."

An Iowa woman has a kettle cast in 1758. But unless that kettle was once tied to the tail of George Washington's dog, it doesn't possess enough histori-cal interest to be sent to the Centen-

A Western editor met a well-educated farmer recently, and informed him that he would like to have something from his pen. The farmer sent him a pig and charged him \$9 for it.

The laziest man is on a Western pa-per. He spells photograph "4tograph." There have only been three worse than he. One lived in Kansas, and dated his letters "11worth," another spelled Tennessee "10aC," and the other wrote Wyandotte "Y&."

"I don't miss my church so much as you suppose," said a lady to her min-ister, who had called on her during her illness, "for I make Betsey sit at the window as soon as the bells begin to chime, and tell me who are going to church, and whether they Lave got anything new on."

She was very particular, and when the dealer informed her that all his ice was gathered winter before last, she wouldn't give him her order. She said he couldn't palm off his stale ice on her.

"Ah, Jemmy," said a sympathizing friend to a man who was just too late for the train, "you did not run fast enough." "Yes, I did," said Jimmy, "but I didn't start soon enough.

In a suburban school a teacher gave out the word "psalter" to a class in spelling.—It was a "poser" to all till it reached the foot of the class, when a curlyheaded fellow spelt it correctly, and on being asked to define it, shouted out, "More sa't."

An Irishman being tried for assault and battery in Virginia City, Nevada, when asked by Judge Knox if he had anything to say by the way of defence, he replied: Well, your Honor, I saw but little of the fight, as I was underneath most of the time.

He was a new boarder As he helped himself for the fourth time to the steak, the landlady timidly suggested: 'You are fond of steak?' 'I dont know as I'm particularly fond of it,' he gruffly explained, but I eat it if it is on the

The woman of work sweeps every thing before her; the woman of fashion sweeps everything behind her.

A Western paper said: Talk about the wind blowing the grasshoppers away. One of them faced a gale for an hour, and then yanked a shingte off a house for a fah, saying it was awfully

"Brethern," said a good baptist in Indiana, while giving his experience, "I've been trying this nigh unto forty years to serve the Lord, and get rich, both at once; and I tell yer all, I find it's mighty hard sledding

In Minnesota a lady in gaping put her jaw out of joint, and two days elapsed before the doctor could get it in place again, in which time the delighted husband avers he had such a vacation as never before since he was a married man.

A Kansas bar refused to take a red nose as evidence that a prisoner was fond of whiskey, but explained: "Outside of law a red nose knocks the temperance question higher than a

The other day a Black Hills stagedriver undertook to horsewhip his passengers into getting out and pushing up bill, but the gold seekers emptied their revolvers into him a lew times, held a coroner's inquest, and found that he died of pneumonia.

A blacksmith was summoned to a country court as a witness in a dispute between two of his workmen. The judge, after hearing the testimony, asked him why he did not advise them to settle, as the costs bad already amounted to three times the disputed eum. He replied: I told the fools to settle; for I said the clerk would take going to be an election. They say: their coats, the lawyers their shirts, and if they got into your Hour's court, you'd skin 'em."

C. H. VANDERFORD, EDITOR.

THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 20, 1876.

National Democratic Ticket. FOR PRESIDENT.

SAMUEL J. TILDEN, Of New York.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT, TH'S. A. HENDRICKS, Of Indiana.

ELECTORAL TICKET. FOR THE STATE AT LARGE. HN W. DANIEL, of Lynchburg. W. M. HOLLIDAY, of Winehester

DISTRICT BLECTORS.

The House Committee on Elections has reported declaring Abbott, Demoerat, contestant, entitled to the seat in the Massachusetts contested election

period, within the party, too, a party that was as corrupt as the Administration is. When he declares for reform, the word has some meaning. Sitting Bull, the Indian Chief who

Tilden has purified, in a short

annihilated Custer's command, says he wants peace, and if let alone he will go to the agency, arrange for it and induce his followers to accept it; but, if the troops go out to fight him, he must fight.

In our hurried notice last week of the Centennial Exposition, we neglected to say, as we intended, that of all the State exhibits West Virginia made the best. We cannot particularize, but simply mention that her coal, iron. timber wood, grain, and other products, as far as we examined, exceeded those from any other State.

The Democratic House of Representatives have saved the country forty millions of dollars by cutting off extravagance in the administration, and has been roundly abused by Senator Morton. Morton is a fair sample of the supporters of Hayes, and would probably be a cabinet officer in the event of Hayes' election. Hayes cries reform and his party advocate extravagance and corruption.

Col. M. D. Ball, of the Alexandria Sentinel, a recent convert to Radicalism, in a speech at a Radical pow-wow at Richmond, compared Hayes Stonewall Jacksen, and his remarks were greeted with hisses. From one extreme to another is the rule with turnecats. Ball was too good a Demo crat to support Greeley, and now the purest Democrat is inferior to the meanest Republican.

Hayes and Hard Times-Tilden and Reform. Which will you choose?-Hayes in his long career as Congress man and Governor was never the author of an important measure or did anything to reform his party which he now calls for so lustily. All his pretty talk about reform in his letter of acceptance, in view of these facts, must go for nothing. He has supported faithfully Grant and his administration from its commencement, and plants himself on the Republican platform which still endorses Grantism. Can those who demand reform trust such a man? We think not.

Gen. Grants seems to be on the warpath, and is turning out Cabinet and other officers by the wholesale. Last week during an interview with Postmaster General Jewell, he informed be accepted, whereupon Jewell in a two line communication resigned. Commis-Bureau was also removed, besides a number of officers of lesser rank. These officers are represented to have been efficient ones, and it is hard to divine the President's reasons for removing them. He holds that he is the master and not the servent of the people, and seals his lips to inquiries respecting his

Col. M. D. Ball, editor of the Alexandria Sentinel, who recently turned a political somersault and landed in the Radical party, complains because the Conservative press comments severely upon his action. Col. Ball was a gallant Confederate officer, and as editor of a Conservative paper did great service for his State and received due praise. He now turns upon all of his associates and the party he has so warmly supported, declares it to be corrupt and goes over to the enemies of the South. He believes, or effects to believe, that Grantism, which is a synonym of fraud, corruption and dishonesty, is better than Conservatism; that the Republican party led by Morton, who bears immortal hate to everything that is Southern; by Grant, the shielder and pardoner of thieves; by Conkling, Blaine, Cameron, Chandler, Chesapeake and Ohio Company.—Bulet id omine genus; the party who up- timore Gazette.

swindles, whisky rings, and supports such men as Babcock, Belknap, Ames, Casey and a host of other unscrupulous and dishonest officials; the party which rewards dishonesty and turns out every official who regards the Constitution and laws; is better than the Conservative party, composed of his comrades in war and peace and with whom he has labored for years. For this he seems to think that he should be lionized-should be praised for turning against his friends and joining their enemies. Col. Ball has left us, and he must be treated as others of his party whose sole campaign cry is that the South is disloyal.

INDIANA.

During the pendency of the Presidential campaign of this year, or at least until the October elections shall have been held, the eves of both political parties of the country will be turned to the conflict in the great State of Indiana. The Republicans in hot haste nominated for Governor, Godlove S. Orth, who, though holding a foreign diplomatic appointment at the time, promptly accepted the nomination, and returned home, breathing death and destruction to his opponents-after the manner of Gen. John Pope, of war times, who boasted that his "headquarters were in his saddle." A similar fate to that of the braggart Pope, seems to have befallen Orth. It now appears that a mistake was made in his nomination; that his selection was secured through administration influence, and it is even hinted that Republicans accepted money as a consideration for votes in the nominating convention. It is also acknowledged that Godlove is not as popular as was thought; and it is gravely discussed by the Republican press as to whether it would not be better to take down the name of Orth and substitute some other, to prevent a

defeat at the October election. The gallant Hendricks having been nominated by the Democrats for Vice-President, and the Hon. James D. Williams for Governor, both popular and inspiring enthusiasm in the party, the Republicans are despondent, and many of the party organs assert that Orth cannot be elected, and if they are defeated in October, Tilden and Hendricks will surely carry Indiana in November. Without Indiana they have no hope of electing Hayes and Wheeler. There is therefore just cause for despondency in that party, for Indiana is to them their only hope, while to us it would only aid in swelling the electoral majority of Tilden and Hendricks .-Upon Indiana hangs the fate of the Republican party, and they are making but a half-hearted fight to carry it, with Godlove S. Orth as the standard-bear-

r. Democratic prospects brighten each day, and Republican despondency grows apace. Mark it, Indiana will go Democratic in October, and will cast her electoral vote for Tilden and Hendricks in November, securing victory for the Democratic ticket beyond question.

The Valley Railroad.

RESULT OF THE CONFERENCE BETWEEN COL-ONEL BOYCE AND VICE-PRESIDENT KYSER.

The conference between Colonel U L. Boyce, vice-president of the Shenandoah Railway Company (lessee of the Valley railroad), and Mr. William Keyser, second vice-president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, which was renewed Thursday, did not result in any definite arrangement for the through passenger and freight traffic of the former via the latter road. The following propositions were submitted by Colonel Boyce on behalf of the Shenandoah Company: First, that the passenger and freight schedule should be arranged between the two companies upon the same basis as the contract entered into by the Baltimore and Ohio and Winchester and potomac (running from Winchester to Harper's Ferry and now operated by the Baltimore and Ohio Company) prior to the leasing of the latter by the former. This proposition was refused. that officer that his resignation would The contract referred to gave an additional mileage on proratings upon freight and passenger traffic in favor of the Winchester and Potomac road, and sioner Pratt of the Internal Revenue it is understood that it was agreed upon at a time when the Baltimore and Ohio Company had no interest in the former road, whereas they now have a one-third interest in the Valley road. The second prosition requested the privilege of carrying freight through between Baltimore and Staunton without breaking bulk, agreeing to receive and pay a mileage for the use of cars, upon condition that the cars of the Valley road should be reloaded and promptly returned. This was also re-Another proposition requested that the same privileges be extended. to the Valley road for the through travel to Springs for freight and passenger traffic as are accorded to lines via the Chesapeake and Ohio road by the way of Gordonsville. In answer to this Colonel Boyce received the information that an arbitrary having been established by the Chesapeake and Ohio Company, it would be absolutely necessary to get the consent of that company before the Baltimore and Ohio company would consent to carry the freight upon an equitable basis. Colonel Bayce left this city yesterday for Richmond for the purpose of conferr-ing with Mr. W. C. Wickham, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio road, and securing the necessary agreement. Mr. Keyser was called upon at Camden station, and stated that Colonel Boyce wished to secure an arrangement for the springs traffic which his company did not have the power to make, and had been referred to the

holds Credit Mobilier jobs, railroad Harrisonburg & Fredericksburg Railroad. THE COUNTRY ALONG ITS ROUTE. Greene, Madison, Orange and Spottsyl-

Timber, Gold-Prospects of the REPORTED FOR THE COMMONWEALTH BY PROF. WM. F. FONTAINE, OF THE UNIVERSITY OF W. VA.

HARRISONBURG, VA., July 17, 1876. TO THE EDITOR OF THE OLD COMMON-WEALTH,—SIR:—A recent trip over the line of the railroad, proposed to be built by the Royal Land Company of Virginia, has put me in possession of some facts that may be of interest to your readers.

First, as to the road itself, a few words

nay suffice to give an idea of its condition and prospects. The 18 miles, between Fredericksburg and Parker, completed and ironed by the company formerly owning the F. & O. R. R., is in much better condition than I had expected to find it. Most of the ties and all the iron may be used again, and but little labor will suffice to put the road bed in excellent condition. From Parker to Verdiersville, about seven miles, requires but little additional work to be ready for the iron. From Verdiersville to Orange C.

H., some twelve miles, but a small amount of grading is required for completion.

The proposed line west of Orange C. H. to the foot of the Blue Ridge, shows easy grade, and that a remarkably small amount of cutting will be needed, when we consider that a road in that direction must cross at right angles all the elevations and depressions. The engineers are actively pushing the survey, and have reached the western foot of the Blue Ridge. No extraordinary difficulty need be feared in crossing the Blue Ridge without a tunnel. Through the

Valley westward a beautiful line may be easily laid out. As many of your readers know, the eighteen miles of completed road, ending in the heart of the poorest part of the country traversed by the proposed railroad, the so-called "Poison Fields," have been used for several years by a private individual, Mr. Snedicker, who, with very imperfect means of transportation, carries the produce of an extensive belt on each side of the rail road. Many persons are in the habit of laughing at the supposed poverty of this narrow belt. Could they once see the amount of farm products, ties, barks, wood for fuel, poplar for the products. for the manufacture of paper pulp, cedar for posts, &c., &c., carried out even in the present condition of things, they would surely alter their opinions of this section. The natural resources of the country tributary to the proposed railroad are very great, and nowhere else in the State is there such prospect of building up with small cost a a large and paying traffic. With the exception of a narrow belt between Orange C. H. and Fredericksburg, alluded to above, the road traverses the finest farming lands in road traverses the finest farming lands in the State. It will suffice merely to mention some of the districts tributating to this line. Among them may be named the rich red lands of Orange, Greene, and Madison; the beautiful and productive valleys along the head waters of the Rapidan; the Valley of the Shenandoah, and the great Valley of Vırginia, unequalled in the production of all kinds of crops.

But the belt of country east of Fredericksburg is poor mainly because the soil is deficient in lime. Most of it may be brought into a high state of productiveness by the

into a high state of productiveness by the application of lime and the use of clover and plaster. The opening of the rail road will furnish from the rich limestenes of the great Valley inexhaustible supplies of ex face will be put upon the country. In this belt nature, as if by way of compensation, has placed the rich deposits of iron and gold which in former days attracted to this portion of the State so much of the mining industry of the country. The iron ores lie in heavy ledges, and were formenly worked and smelted at several points with success. The building of railroads in other sections, gave the furnaces these advantages over those in the region in question, and this caused the latter, one after another, to go out of blast. There are several of these iron deposits between Fredericksburg and Orange C. H. In this region there are deposits of iron pyrites, used for the manufacture of sulphuric acid, and veins of gold, which once yielded largely, and some of which would now prove more remunerative than many of those gold fields of the far west, which, in spite of distance, privation and danger, attract so many of our restless spirits. Here also, as in other things, "Tis dis-

tance lends enchantment to the view. About three miles west of Fredericksburg About three miles west of Fredericksburg the road crosses a broad ledge of granite, which, for building purposes, is equal, if not superior, to the Richmond granite. Near Orange C. H. are deposits of Asbestus of excellent quality, and apparently in large amounts. From the want of capital and means of transportation, all these are untrached at prespectation, all these ouched at present.
West from Orange C. H. to the foot of the

Blue Ridge, there are promising indications of magnetic and specular iron ores, gold and plumbago. In the Blue Ridge and its spurs, handsome specimens of native copper, and specular iron ore may be found on the surface. This entire region awaits examina

tion and development.

The fine deposits of iron ore in the western foot hills of the Blue Ridge, and in the Massanutten Mountains, have been amply tested by the successful working of several furnaces, whose iron ranks among the best in market.

of the Midland R. R. is deficient in lime and would be greatly improved by applications of it. The farmers are aware of this fact, and with due encouragement there cannot fail to spring up a great industry in the production of quick lime in the great Valley. The forest products of the section of cour try here spoken of are of great importance. The belt of country west of Fredericksburg, extending to near Orange C. H., is heavily wooded, except in some places immediately on the railroad, where it has been rather closely culled. The timber is of good quality and large expensits of railroad its and large. ity, and large amounts of yellow pine, tie timber, bark, cord wood, cedar, &c., &c., may be obtained. From Orange west to the foot hills of the Blue Ridge, the country is more open, owing to the large amount of land in cultivation and grass. The Blue Ridge, and its foot hills, contain immense amounts of timber, mainly chestnut, yellow pine, and the various kinds of oak, especially those furnishing a bark suitable for tanning.— Much excellent poplar and locust may be gotten here, with some white pine. In the above account we have made no mention of the minerals and timber wes side of the great Valley; of the watering side of the great Valley; of the watering places along the line of the road; of the fine stock, large numbers of which are now raised and shipped. All these, and other sources of freight, which might be easily built up, cannot fail to add vastly to the tonnage of the road. In short, we may with confidence assert that if this railroad will not pay, then none in the State will do so. ant interests have already been secured by the Royal Land Company, and their prompt ness in thus acting, speaks well for their

the people along the line of road seem disposed to act liberally, and to do everything in their power to hasten its completion. The company only asks the right of way, and by promptly granting this, much of the delay which usually attends the location of a new road, may be avoided. In this respect the action of the people of Greene, at their Ju ly County Court, affords an example worthy

of imitation. R. N. Pool, General Sup't of the Royal Land Co., addressed at Stanardsville, in a telling speech, a large assemblage of the citizens of Greene in behalf of the proposed railroad. The meeting was very enthusias tic, and at the close of the addresses, several which were made after that of Mr. Pool the meeting unanimously resolved to ask the supervisors to issue the order for assess ment, and to request the County Court to grant the right of way free of cost to the Royal Land Co. In compliance with this resolution, action was promptly taken by the solution, action was printed upervisors, and the right of way granted Now if the counties of Orange and Rocking ham will only do likewise, they will do much towards hastening the completion of the long desired railroad Yours truly, WM. M. FONTAINE, Prof. Nat. His'y Uni'y W. Va, Seventh Congressional District.

STAUNTON, VA., JULY 15th, 1876. C. H. VANDERFORD, Esq., EDITOR "OLD COMMONWEALTH," HARRISONBURG, VA.-COMMONWEALTH," HARRISONBURG, VA.—DEAR SIR:—On account of the large and general circulation which your popular and influential paper has in this Congressional district, and also from the fact that it is published in the place of Col. C. T. O'Ferrall's residence, we have deemed it most appropriate that the annexed call upon that distinguished gentleman to become a candidate for Congress, subject to the action of a District Convention of the Papengerais parts if triet Convention of the Democratic party, if one should be held, should be first published in the "OLD COMMONWRALTH." An early insertion will much oblige MANY VOTERS OF THE 7TH CON. DIS.

JUDGE CHARLES T. O'FERRALL, HARRIS ONBURG, VA:—Highly appreciating your eminent qualifications for the position, and eminent qualifications for the position, and desiring to testify our sense of your signal services to the State of Virginia, when in obedience to the promptings of self-sacrificing patriotism you voluntarily resigned a position of ease and independence to take up arms in her cause, and displayed through all the perils and hardships of four years of most unequal war an indomitable zeal, courage and constancy in her defence, which justly entitle you to the admiration and gratitude of every true hearted Virginian. gratitude of every true hearted Virginian.-We, a number of your fellow-citizens, here We, a number of your fellow-citizens, here-by call upon you to announce yourself a candidate to represent this district in the next Congress of the U. S., subject to the decision of a District Convention of the Dem-ocratic party, should one be held previous to the election. We do not derive your claims to this high office from your military record alone; we see is your unfaltering devotion to the perilous and losing cause of your native State, evidences of traits of character which would render you a safe depository of any trust the people might confide to your hands, and which furnish abundant evidence that all the duties which may hereafter devolve and which turnish abundant evidence that all the duties which may hereafter devolve upon you will be discharged with scrupulous honor and fidelity. We see in the fact that you have so often hazarded your life, and in the blood which you have shed ip defence of what you believed to be right, your title deeds to the respect and confidence of your countrymen; but we are also aware that our natural endowments and your avocayour natural endowments and your avocations for many years especially qualify you for the discharge of the duties of a member of the Honse of Representatives of the U.S. For three years preceding the war you were the clerk of the county of your residence, to which responsible office you had been elected by the people at the early age of seventeen. Since the war you have studied law and graduated in one of the best Law Schools in the country, and have been a practising lawyer for some seven or eight years. For more than 30 months you have been the Judge of the County Court of Rockingham. You were also a member of the Legislature of were also a member of the Legislature of Virginia for two years, and in that body acquired a reputation of which any man might well be proud. Nor can we forget that at the last election for Congress in this district, when you were a candidate with fair pros-pects of success, you withdrew from the canvass, rather than by dividing the Consercanvass, rather than by dividing the Conservative vote, endanger the success of that party. We believe, therefore, that your services in the past are justly entitled to the recognition and reward of the people of this Congressional district. We are sure that your qualifications for a seat in the House of Representatives of the U. S., are of the bighest order. Moreover we confidently behighest order. Moreover we confidently be-lieve that a majority of the voters of this district desire your election to that position .-We do not know whether the present mem-ber, the Hon. John T. Harris, desires a reelection or not. We presume that he does not, as he said two years ago that he would not again be a candidate. But however that may be, and without in any manner desiring to assail or disparage that gentleman, we deem it only necessary to remark that in our opinion his public services have already been liberally rewarded by three successive elections from this district to Congress. The next Congress of the U. S., the first under President Tilden's administration, will be in many respects the most important body that has ever assembled in America. After long years of radical misrule, corruption and extravagance, for the first time in sixteen years Congress with a democratic majority in

ability, of unquestionable courage and in-flexible integrity. Satisfied as we are that you possess all these requisites, we think, that as a portion of the constituent body, we have a right to command your services in the present crisis of our public affairs, and therefore request that you will IMMEDIATELY announce your self a candidate for Congress at the next election, subject to the decision of a District Convention of the Democratic party, should

fore it the high and difficult duty of intro-

ducing economy, reform and honesty into all the departments of the public service; and

of endeavoring by appropriate legislation to remove the load of financial distress, which

now weighs like an incubus upon our land, and which has already reduced to bankrupt-

cy and ruin se large a portion of our most industrious and enterprising people. In that body we will need men of a high order of

one be held. MANY VOTERS
OF THE 7TH CON. DIS. OF VA. STAUNTON, July 15, 1876.

THE DISMISSAL OF POSTMASTER GENER-AL JEWELL.—The President has suddenly required Postmaster General Jewell to resign, and at present there is no explanation of the matter. T. G. Tyner. 2d Assistant Postmaster General, has been nominated to succeed him. The President has also directed the Secretary of the Treasury to request the resignation of Hon. D. D. Pratt, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and Mr. Pratt has resigned, to take effect, July 31st. Mr. Pratt is removed for two reasons: First, for writing what the President deemed an unnecessary recommendatory letter to special Agent Yaryan after the latter had been dismissed by his order; and second, for having, contrary to a Cabinet order, furnished Chairman Whitthorne, of the House Naval Committee, with a statement purporting to be the amount of internal tax paid by Secretary Robeson on account of income for five years previous to his having taken his seat in the Cabinet. The Cabinet, at one of its meetings decided that all public information called for by the House should first be passed upon in Cabinet before transmission. claimed Mr. Pratt wilfully violated the order, and at a time when he knew it was in full force. The impression is that Pratt will be succeeded by Depu-

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

ty Commissioner Rogers, of Pennsyl-

James H. Dofflemoyer, &c.,.....Def'd't. In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham. Extract from decree of July 12th, 1876.—"On consideration whereof it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that this cause be referred to a master Commissioner, with instructions to examine, state and settle the following the state and settle the state and se

lowing accounts:

"lst. An account of the actings and doings of Wm.
M. Dorrough, adm'r of James N. Dovel, dec'd.

"2nd. An account of the debts of the real estate of said escedent.

"3rd. An account of the assets of said estate, real and personal and personal.

"4th. Any other account which any party interested
may require or the Commissioner deem of importance."

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

HARRISONBURG, VA., July 18th, 1876.

To all the parties to the above named cause, and all others interested.

TAMES NOTICE:—I have fixed on SATURDAY, the 12th day of Angust, at my office in Harrisonburg as the time and place of taking the accounts require by the foregoing decree, at which time and place ye are required to attend and take ears of your respec ive interests in the premises.

Given under my hand as Commissioner, this the 18th day of July, 1876. PENDLETON BRYAN, C. C.

TYPHOLSTERING, and MATTRESSES made an size on short notice. R. C. PAUL.

MARRIED.

On July 11th, 1876, near Cowan's Station, by Rev.

DIED. At the residence of Dr. John Guerrant, near Richmond, on Wednesday, July 12th, 1876, MADEL T., infant child of J. P. and Bessie T. O'Ferrall, aged two months and twenty-six days. Softly-lest your touch should wake her. As you draw the sheet aside, Like a white cloud drifted backward

From the cherub face inside Little hands like pink peach blossoms, Dimpled cheeks and dimpled feet, Silken lashes darkly folded, Little mouth so dewy sweet

Amber shaded, touched with golden, While a mother's fingers tremble O'er those tiny silken rings. In her dreams the soft hands reaching, Find, perchance, some safer hold,

Though we see no slanted halo On our baby's head of gold. Softly! lest your touch should wake her, Turning mutely from the bed; We know with Jesus she is sleeping. With angels singing 'round her head,

Near Mt. Sidney, July 13th, 1876, Jonathan Sheets, his 75th year. Near Weyer's Cave Depot, on July 11th, 1876, Noah pitzer, at an advanced age. On the 5th of July, in Keezletown, Mrs. Phosbs Black, wife of Charles Black, in the 41st year of her age. She was a good wife, kind mother and excellent neighbor.

COMMERCIAL. HARRISONBURG MARKET. THURSDAY MORNING, July 20, 1876. nily,......\$6 00@6 5 CATTLE MARKETS.

BALTIMORE, July 12, 1876.
Beef Cattle—Prices to-day ranged as follows: PRICES.

The market from the beginning this week has been very slow, and it became even more so as it progressed, the oppressive weather affecting operations seriously. Total receipts for the week 1322 head.—Total sales for the week 1229 head.

Sheep and Lambs—Prices are a shade lower, quality ennsidered. We quote Sheep at 435c; stock Sheep 2353 per head, chiefly to speculators, and Lambs 2.50a 54 per head, or 5a7c per lb. Receipts this week 7801 head. head.

Hogs—With another very light run again this week prices have further advanced. We quote at 9/410c per lb. Sales have been made at and near the latter quotation. Receipts this week 4258 head.

GEORGETOWN CATTLE MARKET, July 13.—The offerings of Beef Cattle this week reached 182 head, which were taken at prices ranging from 3a5% oper 1b gross. There were 1200 Sheep and Lambs offered and 1000 of the former sold at 4½a5½o per 1b, and Lambs at 3a\$4.50 per head. A few Cows and Calves sold at 20a\$50.

New Advertisements.

REPORT of the Condition of the First National Bank of Harrisonburg, AT HARRISONBURG, IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, AT TH

RESOURCES: Loans and Discounts.....\$153.787 7 Loans and Discounts.

Overdrafts.

U. S. Bonds to secure circulation
Other Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages.
Due from approved reserve agents.
Due from other National Banks.
Due from State Banks and Bankers.
Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures.
Current Expenses and Taxes paid.
Checks and other Cash Items.
Bills of other National Banks.
Bills of State Banks.
Specie (including gold Treasury notes). pecie (including gold Treasury notes). Legal-Tender Notes. Total \$306,464 0

LIABILITIES .\$306.464 04

State of Virginia, County of Rockingham, ss:
I, C. C. Strayer, Cashier of the above-named Bank,
do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to
the best of my knowledge and bellef.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of
July, 1876. (signed)
A. E. HENEBERGER,
Notary Public.

Correct. Attest: (Signed) july20-1t

VIRGINIA, TO WIT.-In the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, on the 18th

IN CHANCERY UPON AN ATTACHMENT. The object of the above suit is to recover of the de-lendants, John W. Plecker and Daniel Plecker, the The object of the above suit is to recover of the deendants, John W. Plecker and Daniel Plecker, the
sum of \$400, with interest from the 12th day of February, 1864, until paid, and to attach the interest of
John W. Plecker in the estate, real and personal, of
Peter Plecker, dec's, and to subject the same to the
payment of said debt and costs;

as And affidavit being made that the defendants, John
W. Plecker, Enos Reezle and Margaret A., his wife,
Henry R. Lutz and Mary J., his wife, are non-residents of the State of Virginis, it is ordered that
they do appear here within one month after due
publication of this order, and answer the Plaintiff's
bill or do what is necessary to protect their interests, and that a copy of this order be published
once a week for four successive weeks in the Old
Commonwealth, a newspaper published in Harrisonburg, Va., and maother copy thereof posted at the
from door of the Court-Honse of this County, on the
first day of the next term of the County Court of said
County. Teste: J. H. SHUE, C. C. C. R. C.
Roller, p. q.—july 20-4w

SALLIE HAMMER, William Lilly and Harriet, his wife, Phillip Miller and Elizabeth his wife, Com-

John A. Earman in his own right and as Executor of Michael Earman, dec'd., George N. Earman Administrator of Samuel Earman, doc'd., Julius Earman, David H. Raiston, S. R. C., and as such Administrator of Solomon Earman, dec'd., the unknown heirs of Solomon Earman, dec'd., and Thomas Washington, Defendants,

In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham. In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham.

Extract from Decree, rendered in vacation, on 9th of
July, 1876:—"This cause is referred to a Commissioner of this Court, with instructions to examine, state
and settle the following accounts, viz: 1st—An account
of the real and personal estate of which Michael Exrman died seized and possessed; 2d—An account of the
actings and doings of John A. Earman, as the Executor of the Will of said decedent, making a full settlement of his accounts: 3d—An account of the debts of
the said estate; 4th—An account distributing the esstate among those entitled to receive the same; 5th—
Any other account which any party interested may
require or the Commissioner may deem of importance."

I will proceed, at my office in Harrisonburg, ON SATURDAY, THE 12rn DAY OF AUGUST, 1876, to take this foregoing accounts, at which time all persons interested in the taking of the same will attend and do what is necessary to protect their respective interests. Given under my nand as Commissioner in Chascery of said Court, this 18th day of July, 1876. Roller, p. q. PENDLETON BRYAN, C. C. july 20—4w

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. ACOB DINKEL, &C......Complain

In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham.

Extract from Decree of April 30, 1874:—"And this cause is referred to a Master Commissioner of this Court with instructions to ascertain, state and settle—1st—An account of any prior liens or encumbrances existing against the land or any part of the same; 2d—An account of the amount which will remain due the complainant upon the decree rendered at the January term, 1874, after crediting the net proceeds of sale, the said prior liens, if any, to be deducted from said net proceeds; 3d—Any other account which any party may require or the Commissioner deem necessary."

43-1 will proceed, at my office in Harrisonburg, on or the Commissioner deem necessary,"

AST I will proceed, at my office in Harrisonburg, or
SATURDAY, THE 12TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1876, to

secute the foregoing decree, at which time and planties interested will attend and do what is nec nises.

Given under my hand as Commissioner in Chan-sory, this 14th day of July, 1876.

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PENDLETON RRYAN, C. C.
Roller, p. q.

CORPORATION ELECTION.

For Mayer.

For Treasurer. We are authorized to announce GEO, S. CHRISTIE as a candidate for re-election to the office of Tressurer of the Town of Harrisonburg, at the election to be held Thursday, July 27th, 1876.

New Advertisements.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

N pursuance of a decretal order entered in the chancery cause of E. H. Chase & Co., vs. I. C. Hill et als., in the Circuit Court of Rockingham county, Virginia, I will, as Commissioner appointed for that purpose, proceed to sell at public auction, at the front door of the Court-House of Rockingham county. On Tuesday, the 22d day of August, 1876, the one-third interest in the following parcels of Real Estate: A HOUSE AND LOT, situated in the town of Harrisonburg, fronting on Main street, the one-third interest in the following parcels of Real Estate: A HOUSE AND LOT, situated in the town of Harrisonburg, fronting on Main street, now occupied by Dr. W. O. Hill; A TRACT of LAND, situated in Chestnut Ridge, four miles distant from Harrisonburg, containing 21 Acres, 1 rood and 30 poles; one tract in Chestnut Ridge, containing 25 acres, 2 poles; one tract of 37 acres, 1 rood and 16 poles, lying on the Reckingham Turppike, and one tract of 10 acres, situated in the "Gravels."

So much of the above real estate will be sold as will pay off the debts reported by Commissioner Newman, in his report filed in said cause.

TERMS OF SALE:—Enough cash in hand to pay costs of suit and sale, and \$100; the remainder in one, two and three equal anixial payments, with interest from day of sale; the purchaser to execute bonds with agood personal security, and a lien retained till last deferred payment is made.

WM. B. LURTY, july20-ts.

VIRGINIA, TO-WIT:—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Rookingham County, on the 19th day of July, A D., 1876; Harrison Bateman, who sues on behalf of himself and all other creditors of Ross Rippetoe who may make themselves parties to the suit upon the usual terms Compl't.

themselves parties to the suit upon the usual terms Compl't.

D. H. Ralston, Sheriff of Rockingham county, and as such adm'r of Ross Rippetoe, dec'd, and also as such adm'r of Ross Rippetoe, dec'd, and also as such adm'r of Joseph T. Hoit, dec'd. George W. Eutzler, Granville Eastham, assignee of George W. Eutzler, bankrupt, Wm. Beard and B. F. Lewis, late partners trading under the firm name of Beard & Lewis, William Patterson, William F. Rippetoe, Thomas D. Rippetoe, Dewitt Rippetoe, John Rippetoe, Susan C. Rippetoe, — Rippetoe, and Susan Rippeto, widow of Ross Rippetoe, dec'd.... Def'ts.

IN CHANCERY ON A SCIRLE FACIAS.

The object of this suit is to recover a debt of \$884.13 with interest thereon from the 25th day of March, 1887, due by a forfeited forthcoming bond, and to subject cortain real estate to the payment of the same.

And affidavit being made that the defendants, B. F. Lewis, Dewitt Rippe toe and John Rippetoe, are non-residents of the State. of Virginia, it is ordered that they do appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and answer the Plaintiffs' bill or do what is necessary to protect their interests and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Old Commonwealth, a newspaper published in Harrisonburg Va., and another copy thereof posted at the front door of the Court-House of this County, on the first day of the next term of the County Court of said County.

Teste: J. H. SHUE, C. C. C. R. C. Roller, p. -july 20-4w

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ith. To take an account of the assets real and personal of the estate of said Catharine Amiss, dee'd.

5. Te make such other reports or statements of account as any party in interest may in writing require.

And you are hereby further notified that by the
terms of said decree this publication is made equivalent to personal service upon all parties interested.

F. A. DAINGERFIELD, Com. Chy.

P. Y. & H., of Counsel.—july[3-4w.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
HARRSONEURS, June 24th, 1876.
P. W. Armenirout, Complainant, and Joseph
houser, Adam H. Brewer, Abraham D. Arme
William Sellers, John Berry, ir. Alganos iam Sellers, John Berry, jr., Algernon tiel N. Funkhouser, George S. Chr. E. Carrier, Trustees of the M. E. Chur may concern.

TARKE NOTICE:—That I have fixed upon Thursday, the 7th day of July, 1876, at my office in Harrisonburg, to take, state and settle the following accounts required by decree of the Circuit Court of Rockingham, rendered at the May Term, 1876, of said Court, in the chancery cause therein pending in style, "P. W. Armentyout vs. Joseph Tunkhouser," &c., vis: 1st. An account stating the demand of the companions.

bound.

3rd. An account of the property held by Trustees for the use and benefit of said congregation.

4th. An account of the receipts and disbursements of the complainant as Treasurer of the late building You are further notified, that by the terms of said

learee, this notice by publication is made equito personal service of notice on you and each of FOXHALL A. DAINGERFIELD Commissioner's Notice.

ENRY BRILL, &C.,.....Com who ther or not the 7 acres and 2 poles referred to in the survey of W. F. McGahey filed in this cause, is in-cluded in the deed from Elias to Jos. Michael; togeth-er with any matter that sny party may require, or the Commissioner seem necessary."—Extract from

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, HARRISONEURG, June 27th.

To all parties to the above named cause and all other persons interested

TAKE NOTICE:—That I have fixed on Thursday, the 27th day of July, 1876, at my office in Harrisonburg, as the time and place for taking the secounte required by the device of the Circuis Court of Rockingham county rendered in said cause at the May term 1876, at which time and place you are required to attend.

Given under my hand as Commissioner aforesaid the day and year aforesaid.

A. M. NEWMAN,
Y. & C. p. q.—june27-4w

Commissioner.

A C. D. Q.—June 7-4w

Commissioner.

V. R. C. R. C.

H. & P. p. q.-june 29-4t. H. & P. p. q.—june 29-44.

OFFICE OF SUPT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, HARBISONBURG, VA., JULY 16728, 1876.

FINE ANNUAL MEETING of the County School Board of Rockingham will be held in the Court-House, on Saturaday, the 5th of August. The County Treasurer and Clerks of the several District School Boards, will please be prepared, with their books and vouchers, to audit their accounts for the year. A full attendance is carnestly requested. At this meeting the Board will appeint two State students from Rockingham, to the Va. Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg. These States and Mechanical College at Blacksburg. These States are admitted free of tuition sees, &c. Applicants must be 15 years of age or over, and the application made before the meeting of the Board.

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THE OLD COMMONWEALTH FOR THE CAMPAIGN.

The Democratic and Conservative party of the country is just entering upon the most important political campaign which has ever occurred in this country. The good or ill which is to result from this contest is of greater importance than the casual observer is aware of, and depends to a great extent upon the force and perspicuity with which the issues are presented to the public mind. In order that none shall have excuse for not having a paper during the campaign we will send the COMMONWEALTH to any address, until December, 1st, [for the campaign] for FIFTY cents.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

BY TELEGRAPH

LEASE OF THE VALLEY R. R. CONFIRMED

Special dispatch to the Old Commonwealth Winchester, Va., July 19, 1876. 2 o'clock and 27 minutes.

Mr. C. H. VANDERFORD :- We have had our meeting. The Directors and Stockholders have confirmed and ratified my action as to the lease.

WM. MILNES, JR.

RAYLEGAD MATTERS-ROAD TO FRED-ERICHSBURG - FREE ROUTE THROUGH GREENE COUNTY, &c., &c.-From R. N. Pool, Esq., Superintendent of the Royal Land Company of Virginia, who are now completing the railroad from Fredericksburg to Orange Court House, and intend building it to Harrisonburg, we learn some facts concerning the operations along the route.

As heretofore stated, only about five the road to Orange Court House. A large force of men under Jas. G. Beale, a Director of the Company, are now at work on it and it is expected that it will be completed and in operation in four months. The iron for it was purchased last week and shipped to Fredericksburg; also a locomotive, which will be used in the construction of the

The Royal Land Company has purchased of A. K. Philips, Esq., the lower wharf at Fredericksburg, having a river frontage of 240 feet, for \$1,250, and will at an early day lay a track from the depot to the wharf.

A corps of engineers, under Capt. Wilson, formerly of the Shenandoah Valley Railroad, are now in Swift Run Gap, in the Blue Ridge, making a survey of the road, having run a continuous line from Orange Court House .-Col. Carter M. Braxton, chief engineer of the road, is in this county making a preliminary survey, and it is expected that the whole engineering force will reach Harrisonburg in the course of ten days or two weeks.

On the 12th inst., a large meeting of the citizens of Greene county was held at Stanardsville, which was addressed by R. N. Pool, Esq., and others on the advantages of a railroad through the county. Mr. Pool stated that his company did not ask any subscriptions to his road, either public or private, but desired that the county should grant them a free route through its limits.-A resolution to that effect was offered by Capt. F. M. McMullen and unanimously passed. It was certified to the Board of Supervisors, who passed the following order:

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Greene county, Va., held at the Court House on the 12th day of July, 1876, it is ordered that the Judge of the County Court of dered that the Judge of the County Court of said county be respectfully requested to enter an order of said Court, granting a right of way free of cost to the Royal Land Company of Virginia, for the construction of a Rallwad through the county of Greene from Fredericksburg to the town of Harrisonburg, provided the said Royal Land Company of Virginia commence the actual construction of said road in said county within twelve mouths from the date of said order, and that Stanardsville shall be a point in or near said nardsville shall be a point in or near said road, and that said Court will appoint com-missioners to enter upon their duties at once, to solicit the rights of way from the citizens of said county, and to assess damages along the proposed line of said Railroad.

Ane it is further ordered that this Board

will provide the assessments necessary to execute the said order of Court. This order is made in pursuance of the will of the people of said county this day made known in public meeting assembled. A copy test :-Q. R. HUME, Clerk of Board of Supervisors.

The Judge of the County Court on the next day had the following order

In the County Court of Greene County, on the 13th day of July, 1876:—In pursuance of the request of the Board of Supervisors of said county this day certified to this Court, to Louis R. Lupton for \$3,150.

and the Court believing it manifestly for the and the Court believing it manifestly for the interest of the whole county to do so, it is ordered that the right of way be and the same is hereby granted to the Royal Land Company of Virginia for the construction of a railroad through said county, from the town of Fredericksburg to the town of Harrison-burg, Virginia, provided that the actual construction of said road through said county shall be commenced within twelve months from the date hereof, and that the town of Stanardsvilla shall be a point in or near said dsville shall be a point in or near said Stanardsville shall be a point in or near said road. And it is further ordered that James F. Offield, S. B. Wetheral and I. G. E. D. Davis be and they are hereby appointed commissioners whose duty it shall be to proceed at ance to solicit from the citizens of said county the right of way along the proposed line of said road through their lands for said road, and to assess and report to this Court such damages as may be proper to be allowed those who will not give the right of way.—And it is ordered that the right of way hereby granted shall be free of all costs to and charges against the said Royal Land Company of Virginia.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court affixed this 18th day of July, 1876.

A copy teste:—

A copy teste :-Q. R. Hume, Clerk. [Seal.]

This speedy and liberal action or the part of the citizens of Greene is commendable. It was no more, however, than they should have done. They thereby secure a railroad at small cost, which will not only give them closer commercial connections with the leading markets of the country, but will do much in developing and improving their rich, but undeveloped county.

We learn from the company that Orange and Rockingham counties will act as speedily and harmoniously as Greene, and grant free routes through their territories, in sixty days thereafter the whole road will be put under contract and built as soon as money and men can accomplish it. The pro position of the company is liberal indeed. Most railroad corporations not only ask county subscriptions, but individual ones, too. The Royal Land Company, however, ask neither. They simply want a free route through our county.

It is useless to dwell upon the im portance of this action by Rockingham. That a large portion of the best section of our county is now without railroad facilities is known to all; and all know the advantages of a railroad .-Nothing tends to develop a country so muck as a railroad. Two roads from this county to the large markets of the country will beget a competition between them, and lower rates of freight and travel will result. This in turn stimulates to people to greater production. Many of our people have to haul their products eight, ten and twenty miles to a railroad, and the iron furnaces in the section near where it is proposed this road shall run have been seriously crippled for want of cheaper transportation. In fact one went out of blast.

Of the resources along the route of this road we refer our readers to a report in another column by Prof. Wm. M. Fontaine, of the University of West Virginia, Chair of Natural History .-He is well-versed in his profession, and his report is of great importance. Some two years ago, he examined for his own information the deposits at Dora Coal Mines, and at our request wrote us a report. It was published in the Com-MONWEALTH at the time, and his opinions therein given have been sustained by the developments made by the pick.

ARREST OF HENRY RAINES, INDICTED FOR THE MURDER OF JOHN L. O'DONNELL .-On the 4th day of September, 1869, at or near Port Republic in this county. Henry Raines shot and killed with a rifle John L. O'Donnell. We learn that Raines and O'Donnell had a fight on that day, and that Raines was badly beaten by O'Donnell. Raines, it is reported, said that no man could whip him and live, and after the fight procured a rifle, waited for O'Donnell to come along and shot him. The murder happened nearly seven years ago, yet no statement of the difficulty has ever been published. We therefore shall not publish anything more concerning the affair and will await developments at the trial.

Raines left the county after the shooting. In May, 1870, he was indicted by the Grand Jury in the Circuit Court, and the indictment was certified to the County Court. Rewards for his arrest were offered, but until Saturday last all efforts to discover his whereabouts have proved futile. About one year ago Raines returned to this county, and for some time has been at work at Mt. Vernon Furnace. On Saturday last, John Switzer, deputy Sheirff, of Mt. Crawford, learning that Raines, was in the vicinity of the Furnace started out to arrest him. He found Raines in the store room drawing his rations. He drew his pistol, telling Raines that he was his prisoner, handcuffed him, and brought him to Harrisonburg and lodged him in jail.

EXCURSION TO THE CENTENNIAL.—Since our announcement last week of the probability of an excursion from Harrisonburg to Philadelphia, we have received many communications from persons in various parts of the county expressing their desire to join the excursion party and hopes of its success.-Nearly all, however, desire more time, and we are informed by Mr. Averill that the excursionists will be allowed about five days in Philadelphia. In our next issue we will be able to give full particulars. It is expected to start on Monday and return on Saturday.

SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY .- J. D. Price, Skinner, his lot on Main Street in this

Drowned in a Tub.-On Tuesday night of last week James Campbell, a citizen of Dayton, in this county, was drowned in a large meat tub. On that night he went to sleep on a sofa, and upon being aroused by his wife to go to bed he got up and went out in the yard. He was subject to vertigo and was in the habit of bathing his head for it, and the supposition is that he went out to bathe in the meat tub, which at the time contained a considerable quantity of water. Not coming for some time his wife went out to look for him, and found he had fallen in the tub headforemost. She called Rev. J. W. Nihiser, who assisted in taking Mr. Campbell out, when they found life

Mr. Campbell's life was insured in the Virginia Protection Life Insurance Company for \$2,500, so we learn.

BETTER TIMES,-No matter what kind of money the country has-hard or soft—the fact remains that our people connot get it without something to offer in exchange. This year the crops in this county, and in the whole Valley, as far as we can learn, are excellent, and everything indicates easier times with us. The wheat crop is large and the grain good, the yield of oats, rye and hay is good, and the corn crop promises large returns. Not only this, but the coal and railroad companies will furnish employment to many during the fall and winter, and will expend a considerable amount of money in this section. Since 1873 business has been dull and money scarce, and we hail with joy the prospect of better times.

HAYES AND WHERLER POLE .- A Hayes and Wheeler pole was put up in this town on Monday. The white folks furnished the money and the colored folks did the work. It measures 105 feet above ground, and floats a flag and streamer. The work of raising was commenced on Saturday. When the pole was partly up the top of the pole split-significant of the split off of the best of the Republicans from the support of Hayes—and on Monday it was aken down and spliced. After an arduous day's work on Monday the pole was gotten up and the flag and streamer run up at six o'clock.

F. A. G. Handy, Esq., assistant edior of the Richmond Enquirer, now sojourning at Rawley Springs, wrote an interesting letter to his paper last week, from which we extract the fol-

People of Eastern Virginia will be sururprised when I say that no town in the State exhibits more substantial evidences of of the prosperity of its people than does Harrisonburg. This is partly due to the opening of an avenue for the transit of the products of this farming region to the markets of Baltimore and Washington; and partly to the success of the agriculturists o this county. Thrift among the farmers al-ways diffuses its benefits to every branch of business, and is usually exemplified by the building up of their market towns of cities with which they trade. The moral which city people may learn from that is Promote the welfare of the country people and you'll promote your own interes

UNHAPPY STAUNTON ..- The city of Staunton is unhappy. Its inhabitants all wear magnifying glasses, and the city to them looks scarcely smaller than New York. The weather up there has been extremely hot for some weeks past, and the metropolitan journals woefully exclaim "there have been no cases of sunstroke, however, as other cities have been visited with." If Staunton could have five or six cases of sunstroke a day it would be happy. Well if they were judiciously directed they would prove a benefit to the

DEATH OF MRS. KATY SHEPP .-- Mrs. Katy Shepp died near Keezletown, in this county, on the 3rd instant. We have heretofore given such parts of her history as we could gather from those who had known her for a half century, and their repetition now is unnecessary. She was upwards of 105 years old, and was probably the oldest person in the State.

GONE TO MEET JEWELL AND PRATT.-Jos. T. Williams, an efficient colored policeman of this place, was removed last week by Mayor Hyde, for reasons satisfactory, we suppose, to the Mayor, and Harrison Greene, also colored, was appointed in his place. Joe does not like the Mayor's performance, and was viewing the Centennial at the time of his removal.

A GOOD APPOINTMENT.-Mr. E. J Shumate has been appointed agent of the Valley Railroad at this place. This is a good appointment. Mr. Shumate for more than three years has been clerk in the Baltimore and Ohio office at this point, and his experience fully qualifies him for the position.

CENTENNIAL EEL.-John Earman, living at Dayton, caught on Saturday last, in Bowman's Mill Pond, an eel three feet eight and a half inches long, and weighing six and three-quarter pounds. This is the largest of the season and is a regular centennial fellow.

Republican Canvassers.—At a meeting of the Republican State Committee in Richmond last week, Capt. W. real estate agent has sold for Chas. G. S. Lurty, of this place, was appointed canvasser-at-large, and S. M. Yost, of town, adjoining the Spotswood Hotel, Staunton, district canvasser for the that age. Let us hear from South Main seventh congressional district.

BREVITIES.

Visitors are pouring into Rawley Springs. Three Tilden and Hendricks flags float to he breeze in Harrisonburg.

There will be a pole raising, pic-nic and ectillian party at Cross Keys on Saturday

The colored people of the United Brethern faith talk of builing a church in Harrison-

Winfield S. Liggett, of this place, is taking summer law course at the University of Virginia.

L. H. Ott, druggist of this place, is building a large brick warehouse in the rear of

Elliott's Knob, in Augusta county, is the highest point in Virginia, being 4,456 feet above the sea. B. F. Duane, X. T. K., so favorably known

here, will again delight the citizens of Har risonburg next month.

Rev. David Barr preached at Mt. Jackson on Sunday last, and Rev. R. D. Roller offi ciated at Emmanuel Church.

A rousing Tilden and Hendricks ratification neeting will be held in Staunton on Monday next-County Court Day.

The colored Baptists of Harrisonburg held pic nic at their church on Saturday last and had a good time generally. There has been another change in the

running of trains on the Valley Railroad .t went into effect on Monday. Ritenour's Ice Cream Saloon in Masoni

Hall is nicely fitted up and the ice cream and cake is elegant. Go and try them. The Grand Council of Sons of Jonadab of rirginia commenced its annual session in

his place yesterday afternoon. Clary's Brass Band stood around the Til len and Hendricks pole on Monday night

and played several national airs. Two Tilden and Hendricks clubs have seen formed in Staunton. One has a mem

pership of 100 and the other 125. Some of our exchanges are betting julips

on the result of the presidential electi We would like to hold the stakes. Johnston & Clary, photographers, have dis-solved partnership, Mr. Johnston retiring.

Mr. Clary will continue as heretofore. The editor of the Lynchburg "Star" likes he hot weather because it prepares him for the other world where he expects to go.

At the great Tilden and Hendricks ratifi cation meeting in Washington recently held Hon. John T. Harris made a stirring speech If any one has a large and commodious ce berg for rent, we know a gentleman in this town who would pay a liberal rent for

Mr. Delany, of the real-estate firm of Delany & Harrington, 150 South 4th Street, Philadelphia, was in town last week several

A camp-meeting of the Rockingham District M. E. Church South will be held near Cave of the Fountains, commencing on the 10th of August.

The report of the First National Bank of Harrisonburg, June 30th, is published in this issue. The individual deposits foot up nearly \$100,000.

Johnston & Clary, photographers of this place, on Monday last hung out a large piece of canvass from their gallery windows, with a large portrait of Samuel J. Tilden on it. captured by a Sheriff's posse on the 2nd instant, and lodged in the Highland jail. He resisted arrest and was shot twice before be-

Minnehaha Tribe of Red Men, of this place, have appointed a committee to arrange for an excursion, at an early day, to Staunton, on a fraternal visit to Hiawatha Tribe.

Highland county is reported as all O. K .-The crops are good, the Narrow Gauge Raiload is progressing finely and the people are enthusiastic over the nomination of Tilden

Read the report of Prof. Wm. M. Fontaine, of the University of West Virginia, published in another column on the resources along the line of the railroad to be built from here to Fredericksburg.

Notwithstanding the large increase in our subscription list heretofore the COMMON WEALTH this week will go into many new families. Friends, the list is not full vet .-Send in your subscriptions.

Wm. S. Braithwaite & Sons, Carpenters and Builders, have removed to the shop recently erected on Wolf Street, near their re sidence, where they are prepared to do all work in their line at short notice.

Mr. Amos Scott, residing near Port Re public, on the first of August will sell at public sale all of his personal propertyfarm and household, corn, wheat and oats. He is going to discontinue farming.

The Conservatives should have a Tilden and Hendricks campaign club in Harrisonburg; also at every village in the county .-Let the Conservatives see to it that Rockingham gives her full majority this fall.

The "Greasers" were out on Friday night, the first time since their leader, Jas. O. A Clary, got back from Pennsylvania. They serenaded Capt. John Paul, who had just moved into his new brick residence on High

The Hayes pole in this town leans to the West and the Tilden pole toward Washing ton. This is significant of the result of the November election. Hayes will remain in his western home and Tilden will take up his residence in Washington.

The attention of our readers is called to the advertisement in this issue of the Polytechnic Institute, New Market, Virginia,-The school is designed for young men who desire a thorough, practical education, in the shortest time and at the least cost.

A game of base ball was played here or Monday last between the Independents, of Harrisonburg, and Alleghany Regulars, of Montevideo. The Regulars got disgusted and quit at the end of the second inning .-Score—Independents 5, Regulators 0.

Col. David H. Walton, a prominent citizen of Shenandoah county, and Commonwealth's Attorney, died at Woodstock on the 7th in stant. The Shenandoah Bar passed resolu tions commemorative of his memory, and Judge Allen and others pronounced fitting

Some one who has taken the census of the chilren on East Market street in this town, reports there are seventy-five under the age of twelve years. North German Street can beat that. Three equares on that street can show ninety-two children under party.

This section has been blessed by several lne rains this and last week.

There are eight prisoners in the county ail, two of whom are U. S. prisopers.

At the recent registration 83 white and 28 colored voters were registered, making a total of 111. Col. U. L. Boyce, Vice-President of the

Shenandoah Railroad, lessee of the Valley Railroad, was in town this week. W. B. Lurty advertises land for sale in

this issue. There are a number more of new advertisements. Don't fail to read them. A letter addressed to Col. C. T. O'Ferrall asking him to be a candidate for Congress at

the ensuing election, is published in this is-

Chas. Campbell, author of "Campbell's History of Virginia," died in the Western Lunatic Asylum, at Staunton, on Tuesday of last week

The second annual re-union of the 10th Virginia Regiment will take place at Yellow Massanutten Springs, near Lacey Spring, on August 23rd.

The campaign is fully open, and the Con servatives should organize in every District Which will be the first to organize a Tilden and Hendrick's club?

The coal at Dora Coal Mines shows better at every advance of the miner's pick. There are some good specimens at the Royal Land Company's office in this place. During the storm on Tuesday evening las

telegraph poles on the line of the Virginia relegraph Company in this town. The new Methodist Church South near Montevideo will be dedicated next Sunday.

The Roman Catholic Church, in this place

the lightning struck and demolighed several

we learn, will be dedicated on August 6th. The Hayes flag in this place could not weather the storm on Tuesday and had to be taken down. The Tilden flag stood it nobly, which is just the way Tilden is going to stand the political storm in November, and then assume the reins of government at Washington.

There was a small crowd, comparatively, in town on Monday. There was a good business done at the auction stands. A bull weighing about 1900 pounds, the property of B. F. Armentrout, was put up at auction, but only three cents per pound being offered

Judge David Fultz, of Staunton, a promi nent Republican, we learn, has abandoned the corrupt Radical party and will support Tilden and Hendricks. Dr. John Early, of Greene, a Republican leader in his section, is also for Tilden and Hendricks. So they come all over the country.

ROBBERY AT PORT REPUBLIC-ARREST OF THE THIEF-HIS SPEEDY CONVICTION. -On Friday morning last, the store of George Nicholas at Port Republic was entered and robbed of ten dollars in money and a number of pocket knives, by Richard Dout alias Wm. R. Eddins. (colored.) The boy entered the store and secreted himself, and when Mr. Nicholas went to breakfast Dout was left in the store. Mr. Nicholas returned before Dout had gotten away with his booty, and saw him as he left the

L. F. Gaither was appointed a spe-Saturday. He confessed his guilt before Justice W. D. Maiden, who committed him to jail to await the action of the grand jury. He was brought to jail on Sunday. On Monday he was indicted, and on trial confessed his crime and was sentenced to jail for ten days and to receive twenty lashes-ten when he goes in and ten when he comes out.

REGISTRATION-POPULATION.-At the registration held for the Corporation election, which comes off to-day week, there were eighty-three white and twenty-eight colored voters registered. making a total of one hundred and eleven. The whole number registered in the corporation is 552, though there are many more who have not exercised the privilege.

We presume there are at least 600 voters in the town, and that the proportion of voters to the population is about one in six. This would give us a population of 3,600. In 1870 the census then taken showed the population to be 2,040. According to these figures, which are only estimates, but based upon good data, the population of the town has increased 1,560 in six and a half years. If we put the proportion of votes to population at one in five, it will show a popultion of 3,000, an increase of 960.

GRAND DEMOCRATIC RALLY .- A grand rally of the Democrats of the Tenth Legion-Rockingham, Shenandoah and Page-will be held at Valley View Springs, near New Narket, on Thursday, August 3rd. Committees from the three counties have been appointed on arrangements, speeches, music, &c., and a great outpouring of the Democracy is expected.

SPECIAL TERM OF CIRCUIT COURT .-Judge McLaughlin, of Lexington, Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, is holding a special term of the Rockingham Circuit Court. The special session is called to hear the cause of Coffman's vs. Moore's executors. Liggett and Compton for complainants-Johnston and W. S. Lurty for defendents.

PLEASANT TIME AT CROSS KEYS .-- On Saturday next a Tilden and Hendricks pole will be raised at Cross Keys, at which time speeches on the issues involved in the present campaign will be made. After the pole-raising, those who delight in the light fautastic will wind up the evening with a cotillion

Gold in New York, Monday, 1114.

LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE.

PROM BRIDGEWATER

It was our privilege to be present at a picnic given by the Bridgewater Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, at Monteguma on Wednesday last. The occasion was truly an enjoyable one. Spread out beneath the towering shade trees was such a dinner as our farmer friends alone know how to get up. Spring chickens, ham, beef, mutton, pies, pickles, cakes, ice cream, lemonade and bonbons, were in sufficient abundance to have fed four times the number assembled. We saw only one individual who said he was opposed to the pic-nic, and judging from the lexterity with which he put himself outside of the good things, we arrived at the conclusion that this esteemed personal friend of ours would perhaps need the assistance of a skilfull physician, who, with the aid of ipicac, would have to dislodge from his gastric region a goodly portion of the "nic."-We certainly agreed with him. That he was opposed to the dinner, no one who saw him so manfully and persistently trying to destroy it will doubt it,

After dinner and the discussion of choice Havanas, the assemblage was entertained by a speech from Col. Geo. E. Deneale, We wish space would admit of our reporting the Col's remarks fully. Suffice it to say that he was forcibly entertaining and showed that Grangers were not a secret conclave whose hands were arrayed against every other profession, trade or pursuit, but their sole object was the elevation, dignifying and protection of labor and its products. His remarks were well timed and well received and delivered in that happy style peculiar to himself.

Our special thanks are due to the ladies resent, who seemed determined that we should at least taste of everything that was present. But let us say to them that it yould have taken the corporal capacity of a big friend of ours, whom we have now in our mind's eye to have contained even a bite. God bless the ladies! their intentions are pure and their hearts in the right place, but ometimes they may possibly be a "leetle" indiscreet.

We have had an abundance of rain withthe last week. Thunder and lightning have been sufficiently plentiful to satiate the appetites of the most voracious. The lightning a few days since struck a large oak just below town, almost demolishing it,

NORMAL INSTITUTE. The Bridgewater Normal Institute com menced its summer session on Monday last under favorable auspices. The session prom ises to be the most prosperous of any that has preceded it. All who can possibly do so, and who have chosen teaching as their profession, should attend this school, as it is deserving of patronage.

Our friend, Mr. T. P. Humphreys, has a arge stock of cheap furniture on hand .-When we say cheap we do not mean to be understood as saying it is common, for he is selling the best furniture at the lowest figures. Give him a call.

REAL ESTATE SALE. Our friend, Mr. Jas. Crawford, has purchused the house and lot here that belonged to Capt. J. G. Riley, of San Francisco, for the sum of \$1,600. This is regarded as the cheapest property that has been sold here for a good while. We are glad to welcome friend Crawford among us as a permanent

DEMOCRATIC BANNER. The Tilden and Hendricks flag is floating in the breeze from the top of the beautiful pole 103 feet above mother earth. May she not trail in the dust after the No vember election, but float not only over the citizens of Bridgewater but the whole na-

JONADABS. Resolute Council, Sons of Jonadab, at this place, has elected Messrs. D. L. Pool and Jas. E. Gibbs to represent it in the approaching Grand Council to be held in Harrison-

burg.
Our Seth Greens and Isaac Waltons are securing quite a large number of splendid fish from the river and creeks. Occasionally they remember the "local" and send him a "mess" of nice pieces with which to cheer his collapsed gastric regions. Fish on, boys, we will eat 'em.

Mr. Mercury has been trying his best t climb out of the top of the glass tube in which he is imprisoned. He succeeded at Dr. Brown's drug store in getting up 104 feet or degrees from the bottom, and if the day had been longer and he had had more time he might have succeeded in getting out at the top.

WHY DID YOU STOP? We wonder why the young men do not put up the handsome Centennial flag that has been prepared for the adornment of Round Hill. Throw her to the breeze, gentlemen, and let her float over the noble county of Rockingham.

FROM LACKY SPRING.

EDITOR COMMONWEALTH :- On Saturday last the Melrose Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, held a picnic at this place. The weather early in the morning was not at all favora ble for the occasion. Dark clouds obscured the sky from which the rain fell in copiou showers, but after a while the clouds melter away, the sun shone brilliantly forth, and the Grangers began to come in. Long lines of buggies, wagons and people on herse back were to be seen wending their way to the grove where the pic-nic was to be held.

On account of the absence of several of the speakers, the occasion was rendered less interesting than it would otherwise have been. After dinner, of which there was great abundance, the crowd repaired to the grove to listen to an address. Capt. M. M. Sibert, of your town, delivered an interest ing and appropriate address. He set forth the advantages to be derived from being Granger, and closed his address by complimenting the ladies in very laudatory terms, showing the power which they possessed of

rendering home beautiful and attractive. After Capt. Sibert's address a number o ladies and gentlemen sang several beautiful and appropriate pieces. The remainder of the day was spent in promenading and talking, every body apparently enjoying them-

Late in the evening a cotillion party was organized by the young ladies and gentlemen, who enjoyed themselves "tripping the light fantastic toe." The occasion was a very enjoyable one to all present, and we hope the Grangers will not make this the last pic-nic at this place, but only the commencement of a long series of them. Many of our farmers are engaged in threshing and report the wheat as yielding remarkably well and of excellent quality. The corn crop in this section of the county is looking very JULY 17th, 1876.

OUR ENTERPRISES .- We are glad to see that many of the Virginia papers are taking much interest in the coal. iron and railroad interest of Harrisonburg and vicinity, more especially in the completion of the railroad from Fredericksburg to Orange Court House and to Harrisonburg. The people along its line seem to be very enthusiastic in having closer connection with the rich and productive Valley. We would request of our contemporaries, however, to read more closely the reports of the enterprises here. They get them terribly mixed, and their geographical information is sadly at

COUNTY COURT .- The July term of the County Court, Judge Chas. T. O'Ferrall presiding, commenced ou

Monday. The Grand Jury made but one indictment, that of Commonwealth va. Wm. R. Dout alias Wm. R. Eddins, for petit larceny. Eddins plead guilty and the Court sentenced him to be imprisoned ten days in the county jail and to receive twenty stripes-ten as he goes to jail and ten when his time

Conrad Eaton, for disturbing a religious congregation, was fined \$35 and costs. Abel Eaton, charged with the same offence, was acquitted.

SALE OF A FARM .- B. M. Rice, through J. D. Price's real estate agency, has sold his farm of 1494 acres, near Cross Keys, to Mrs. Lucy M. Skinner for \$3,000.

Soldiers' Annual Reunion.

The second Annual Re-union Association of the 10th Regiment, Va. In-fantry, will be held on the 23rd day of August next at the "Yellow Massanutten Springs, three miles east of Lacey Spring, Rockingham county, Va. All soldiers who were at any time connected with the "10th" are earnestly requested to be present, as well as all others from the Valley or Valley commands. the object being to organize a Re-union Association, embracing all the Valley companies, regiments, &c. Company officers, bring your reports.
D. H. LEE MARTZ, Pres't.

Valley papers please copy.

Port Republic Campmeeting. Providence permitting, a Campmeeting of the M. E. Church South, Rockingham Dis-trict, Baltimore Conference, will be held on the lands of Mr. Pirkey, a few hundred yards from the Fountain and Weyer's Caves, 21 miles from Port Republic, and about 4 miles from Wayar's Cave Depot ton Caves, 21 miles from Port Republic, and about 4 miles from Weyer's Cave Depot, on Valley R. R., to and from which Stages and Hacks will be run in connection with the trains, to commence on Thursday, the 10th of August. There will be ample accommodations for ladies and gentlemen at the large boarding tent erected on the ground. There will be the best accommodations for horses at the Pound. Huckstering positively prohibited outside of the arrangements already hibited outside of the arrangements already made by the Committee. A cordial invitation is extended to adjoining circuits and stations, and the friends generally to tent with us, or at least to attend the meeting.

DAVID THOMAS, P. E. ANDREW ROBEY, P. C.

A Home and a Fortune.

The Kansas Land and Immigration Association, with a Capital Stock of \$1,00 0,000 chartered by the State of Kansas, a most laudable enterprise, started in our city for the promotion of immgration by the free distribution to the share holders of the Association of \$770,800 in cash and some of our most choice and valuable real estate, farms, brick blocks, residences, &c., is meeting with inprecedented success. From every section of the country orders for shares or tickets are coming thick and fast. The inducements offered are unparallelled. There will be no postponement. The drawing and distribution of the prizes will take place positively Aug. 25, 1876, or the money will be refunded in full. The managers of this enteprize are gentlemen of undoubted integrity, honesty, prightness and ability to do exactly what they say. They are gentlemen who are prominent in our State, and whose public and private characters are beyond even suspicion. and the management of this stupendous distribution will be conducted with an impartiality that cannot and will not be disputed. The Atchison Board of Trade, composed of all the leading business men of our city, at a recent meeting, unanimously adopted the following endorsment:

"Knowing the several persons composing the 'Kansas Land and Immigration Associa-tion' we cordially endorse them as gentlemen of honesty and integrity, and recommend their enterprise as worthy the support of the

Every ticket holder will be fairly represented at the drawing. Price of the shares or tickets are put at the low price of \$5 each. Parties desiring a more particular description of this meritorious enterprise, inducements offered, terms to agents, special offer to clubs and purchases of two or more shares, manner of drawing, references, &c., send their address to S. M. Strickler, Secretary, Atchison, Kansas, and they will have mailed them free an elegant four page illustrated paper "The Kansas Immigrant," describing the enterprise and the advantages and resources of Kansas, &c. Send for it .- From the Atchison, (Kan.,) Daily Patriot. july68t

AN Ex-Confdenate Called on to Avenge Custer.—General A. F. McReynolds, who commanded a Michigan division during the late war, in a letter addressed to Major Thos. L. Rosser, of the late Confederate army, in-

'Would it not be a grand opportunity for you to rally around you a mounted force of Minnesota men accustomed to the horse and rifle, which you could readily do, and tender your services to the government to avenge the death of the brave boys of the Seventh Cavalry who fell so nobly on the field of duty?"

In his letter replying to the above, General Rosser used these words: "I should like to be commissioned by my country to averge the death of my gallant friend and old enemy, but to do so I should like to go back to old Virginia and get my division, who once so fiercely fought him, and who, like myself, have learned to respect, bonor and appreciate the high soldier-

ly qualities and exalted manhood of

Gen. Custer."

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

Have they not in the outgoing occu-pant of the White House had sufficient

proof in his nearly eight years of mis-rule of the United States, that our great

need now is a statesman who can safely

bring us out of the manifold troubles

JAMES KENNEY, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, HARRISONBURG, VA.

surrounding us?

MEADE F. WHITE, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, STAUNTON VA.—Courts: Augusta, Rockbridge and Highland Counties.

ROBERT B. RAGAN, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. HARAISONBURE, VA. Office in the old County Clerk's Office in the Court-House yard. deel9.y F. A. DAINGERFIELD,

ATTORNEY ATLAW. HARRISONBURG, VA. 839 Office South side of the Public Squars, in Switzer's new building. jan10-y ED, S. CONRAD. TANCEY & CONRAD,

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW AND INSURANCE AGENTS,
HARRISONBURG, VA. 25 Office—New Law Building,
West Market street. jan14-y

LIEGETT & LURTY, PRACTICE LAW in sil the Courts, Inferior, Appellate and Federal, Hammsonburg, Va. 25 Office on West-Market street, nearly opposite Loewenbach' Store, jan23.

EDWIN B. HAY,

ATTORNEY AT LAW, CLAIM AND COLLCTION AGENT, 531 Four-and-a-half Street, Washington, D. C. Spetial attention given to claims before the departments, also to patent law: july1-tr* J. SAM'L HAHNSBERGER. ATTORNEY AT-LAW, HARRISONDERG, VA., will practice inall the Courts of Rockingham county, the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, and the District and Circuit Courts of the United States holden at Harrisonburg.

JOHN PAUL. AFTORNEY-AT-LAW, HARRISONBURG, VA, will practice in the Courts of Rickempham and adjoining Counties, and in the United States Courts at Harrisonburg, #37-Office in the old Clerk's Office, in the Court-House yard.

JOHN E. ROLLER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, HARRISONBURG, VA .- Courts: Rockington, Scenandour and Augusta.

The Artistic life, proposes to devote his whole time to his profession. Correspondence and business will receive prompt attention.

CHAS. T. O'FERRALL, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, HARRISONBURG, VA., practices in all the Courts of Rockingham, the Federal Courts at Harrisonburg, and the Courts of Appeals at Staunton and Winchester. 25 Office in "Sibert" Building," un status. Building," up stairs.

WM. B. COMPTON, (LATE OF WOODSON & COMPTON.) will continue the Practice of Law in the Courts of Reckingham; the Court of Appeals of Virginia, and Courts of the Uni-ted States.

Desiness in the hands of the late firm will be attende to as usual by the surviving partner. [se9-I G. W. BERLIN, ATTORNEY AT-LAW, HARRISONBURG, VA., will practice in the Courts of Rockingham and adjoining counties and the United States Courts held at this place.

Office in Switzer's new building on the Public Square.

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CHAS. E. HAAS. B. G. PATTERSON, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, HARRISONDERG, VA. Will practice in all the Courts held in Rockingham county, and are prepared at all times to file petitions in Bankruptcy. Prompt attention given to collections. Office in southeast corner of Court-House Bankruptcy.

RO. JOHNSON, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, HARRISONURG, VA., practices in the Courts of Rockinglam and Shenandosh, and in the Circuit and District Courts of the United States held at Harrisonburg, Va., and the Supreme Court of Appeals held at Staunton, Va.

PENDLETON BRIAN, COMMISSIONER IN CHANCERY AND NOTARY PUB-20MMISSIONER IN CHANCERY AND NOTARY PUB-Life, Harmsonburg, Va.—Will give special atten-tion to the taking of depositions and acknowledg-ments any where in the county of Rockingham. Will silso prepare doeds, articles of agreement and other contracts on very moderate terms. 22-Office in the "Sibort Brilling," same lately occupied by County Treasurer, (up stars.) [17-9

G. F. COMPTON,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, HARRISONBURG. VA., will practice in the Courts of Rockingham, Augusta and Shen-sandash counties. Prompt attention given to collections, and returns made at once upon receipt. His connection with the Clerk's Office of this county will enable him to give valuable information to suiters and those inferested in the records of this county. Sporting at the Court-House for the present, june 24-tm* G. F. COMPTON,

DR. W. O. HILL, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office and residence, one door south of Revere House. All calls in town and country promptly attended to. jan10-y

DR. RIVES TATUM, FORMERLY of the firm of Gordon, Williams & Tarus, offers his professional services to the public. Office over the Rockingham Bank, where he can always be found when not professionally engaged. Calls left at James L. Avis' Drug Store promptly attended to.

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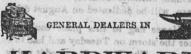
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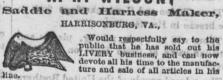
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Both Trains from the South connect with Ches. & Ohic at Charlettesville for the West. This is the only line running double daily trains south of Washington, and makes now the quickest time ever made—less than 50 hours between Washington and New Orleans, PULLMAN SLEEPER daily, without change between Baltimore and New Worleans, leaving Baltimore 6 25 a.m. Also Sleepers between Baltimore and Lynchburg, by night line.

Centennial Excursion Tickets to Philadeiphia on sale, good for thirty days, and through tickets to the South and West at lowest rutes.

G. J. FOREACHE, Gen. Manager.

J. M. BROADUS, Gen. T. A. june 29-ts

Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. O N and after May 21st, 1876, Passenger Trains will run as follows:
FROM STAUNTON—WESTWARD.

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Leave Staunton, 3.25 p. m. 4.15 a. m.
Arrive Goshen. 5.04 " 5.48 "

Millboro 5.29 " 6.09 "

Covington. 7.00 " 7.35 "

Alleghany. 8.14 " 8.30 " 8.42 "

White Sulphur. 8.30 " 8.42 "

Ronceverte. 9.30 " 9.07 "

Hinton. 11.40 a.m. 10.30 "

Kanawha Falls 4.39 " 1.15 p. "

Charleston. 6.51 " 2.56 "

Huntington. 9.30 " 5.05 "

Cincinnati EASTWARD. Reference by permission to the Editor of

Train leaving Staunton at 3:25 p. m., and 9:00 a. m. runs daily (except Sunday) stopping at all regular stations.

Trains leaving Staunton at 4:15 a. m., and 10:26 p. m., run daily, stopping at all regular stations between Huntington and Alleghany, and at Covington, Milboro'. Goshen, Waynesboro, Greenwood, Mechumns River, Ivy, Charlottesville, Gordonsville Junction and Richmond.

HOTELS AND SALOONS.

Sleeping cars run between Richmond and Ceving-ton on 4.15 a. m. and 10.20 p. m. trains.

TRAINS ARRIVE AT STAUNTON AS FOLLOWS:

THE SPOTSWOOD HOTEL. Harrisonburg, Va. B. LUCK, - - - Proprietor THE NEW HOTEL, The Spotswood, under the proprietorship of the undersigned, is now Open and ready to receive Visitors

Open and ready to receive Visitor's and guests. The establishment has been renewed and refitted from cellar to roof, and is in complete order. It is emphatically a new house, and it is determined to make it stand as one of the very best kept Hotels in the State. The proprietor has had very subarged experience for fifteen years as a Hotel and Springs proprietor, having kept the old Columbian Hotel and the famed Spotswood Hotel, at Richmond, and the Jordan Alum Springs in Rockbridge. He is quite sure he may claim, here in the Valley of Virginia, to be able to keep a Hotel. He therefore invites the people of Rockingham and adjoining counties and the traveling public to call at the Sporswood and see whether he understands the business of his life.

It is scarcely necessary to say that the table, the parlors and the chambers will always be found agreeable. The proprietor, in conclusion, is quite sure the people of the Valley will cordially sustain this effort to establish a first-class Hotel, such as the Spotswood shall be, in Harrisonburg.

My Omnibus will always be ready to convey passengers to and from the Spotswood.

10 EVEREE HOUSE.

REVERE HOUSE, (FORMERLY REPTINGER HOUSE,) HARRISON BURG, VA. This House has been thoroughly repaired and furnished throughout with new and tasty furniture. Is conveniently located to the telegraph office, banks and other business houses.

The table will always be supplied with the best the town and city markets afford. Attentive servants employed. ployed.
The large and commodious stabling attached to this
Hotel is under the management of Mr. H. GATES.
A BATH-HOUSE is connected with the House.
Mrs. MARY C. LUPTON, Proprietress.

CHAS. E. LUPTON, MANAGER.

J. R. LUPTON, CLERES.

G. B. STROTHER. "April 18 ly. A HEARTY WELCOME TO ALL! The Pollock House, between the Revere House and Spotswood Hotel, which has recently been fitted up, is first-class in all its appointments, and offers a hearty welcome to all. -THE BAR-

has a fine stock of liquors of the best brands, cigars, &c. Among the liquors are the "Live Oak Rye Whiskey," "Good as Gold, Bourbon," "Hennessy Cognac," &c. IN THE RESTAURANT

TAKE NOTICE! AM constantly receiving and adding to my stock FRESH DRUGS, MEDICINES, PAINTS, OILS, DYE-STUFFS, WINDOW GLASS, PUTTY, VARNISH-ES, and in fact everything kept in A First-Class Drug Store, all which will be sold as low as they can be purchased in any similar establishment in the Valley. In other words, I can't be undersold. Respectfully, jan27 L. H. OTT.

sep 30-t may 11 Supt. for Mrs. Mary Pollock.

TUST RECRIVED, a fresh supply of GARDEN au FLOWER SEEDS of all kinds, jan27 At L. H. OTT'S Drug Store. UPHOLSTERING, and MATTRESSES made and size on short notice. R. C. PAUL. THE BEST Gunpowder Green Tea, just received and for sale at L. H. OTT'S Drug Store.

100 BBLS. ROUND TOP CEMENT, for sale ba

Small mattrasses \$3 to \$4 acording to size. Also on hand No. 1 Hair, and four dozen Steel Spring Mattrasses.

I have removed to one door above John Graham Effinger's Froduce Store, East Market street.

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