TILDEN AND REFORM.

Come all ye honest Democrats,
Let each man raise his voice;
The time has come for every man
To let his heart rejoice.
We'll gather 'round the good old flag.
With hearts both true and warm,
And give three honest, rousing cheers
For Tilden and Reform.

CHORUS. Three cheers for Tilden!
Three for Hendricks, too!
Stand by the good old flag—
The red, white and blue. (Repeat.)

Come, let us live as orce we lived,
Obey our country's laws—
"The Constitution as it is,
The Union as it was."
We'll take the Democratic ship,
And bravely face the storm.
And land her safe in port again
With Tilden and Reform.

Come, "strike now while the iron is hot," Come, "strike now while the iron is REMEMBER WASHINGTON! The work of "honest government" Has earnestly begun. Let's shout to all the world, And give the wild alarm, To let them know THE FEOTLE are For Tilden and Reiorm.

Come, rally 'round the good old flag
That won the world's applause
When Jackson fought at New Orleans,
And honest men made laws.
Unchain the Bird of Liberty,
To soar above the störm—
God bless our country! let us shout
For Tilden and Reform.

Come, now's the time! 'twere better far We all slept in our graves Than to submit to men who've made Us nothing but their slaves. Let Liberty litt up her eyes To heaven, and raise her arm, And say, "Thank God! the country's saved Through Tilden and Reform."

LOTTIE'S BALL DRESS.

"Do you think it is best for us to go, Lottie?"

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mellen had been married scarcely more than a year-not long enough for the first gloss to be worn off her wedding ring -not long enough to forget the enchanted gold shine of the honeymoon; and now upon this clear December morning, the young wife sat at the breakfast table in a most becoming neglige of rose-ribbons and dove-colored cashmere, with an open note in her hand, and her blue eyes sparkling with delighted, animation. A pretty pic-ture to look upon, for Mrs. Mellen was very pretty—a tall, velvet cheeked blonde, with her hair shining like braided sunbeams beneath the coquettish little breakfast cap she wore.

"Best, Clarence? Why, of course it is best. Lulu Sparks would give her ears to get cards to Mrs. Benedict's

"I dare say," said Mr. Mellen, dryly. "But did you ever read La Fontaine's Fables?"

"What do you mean, Clarence?" "Only that it contains a story concerning an iron pot and a crockery pot, that swam down stream together. Of course the china pot got smashed." "I don't see what your ridiculous

old fables have to do with me." "A great deal, my love. Mr. Bencdict is a rich banker. I am only confidential clerk in his brother's employ. Mr. Benedict has a thousand dollars, probably, where I have one. Our spheres lie apart. Is it best then for

us to compete with him in any one re-"Because we attend a ball at their house, we needn't necessarily compete with them," pouted the young wife, beginning to pull at the tringe of her breakfast napkin. "Of course, if they invite us, it is only natural to suppose

that they want us to come." "I presume, my dear, we are invited out of compliment to Mr. Benedict's brother, who is kind enough to think favorably of your humble servant." "And it would be very rude not to

"I don't think regrets would be taken in bad part, Charlotte. Besides, what have you to wear that would compare with the toilets of Mrs. Bentley Benedict's fashionable friend's ?"

"That's just what I was going to speak about," said Mrs. Mellen. really did need a new silk dress. That pea-green affair is actually beginning to look shabby, and the black silk I had when we were married is positively old-fashioned by this time.'

"It is only thirteen months, Lottie." "But fashious altar so, Clarence, you know. Now there's a lilac moire antique at Grant's-the loveliest shade you ever saw, and a positive bargain, on account of their being only twentytwo yards in the pattern. I can get it for eighty-five dollars, and sister Helen will lend me her point-lace flounces

to trim it with and-"Eighty-five dollars, Lottie! And for a moire antique dress? Do you know, my dear, that is almost one-

tenth of my year's salary?" "One must look decent once in a

He shook his head gravely.

"No, Lottie, I am sorry to seem hard or unkind, but this is so wild an idea that I can only conclude that you have not thought sufficiently about it yourself. Mrs. Benedict is very kind to invite us to this ball, but you must write a declination."

Lottie burst into tears for the first time since their wedding-day. Mr. Mellen stalked out of the room without

a good-bye kiss. That afternoon came up a hurried note from the office, as follows:

"DARLING LOTTIE:-Please send by the bearer my valise, with a few changes of linen and other necessaries, for an absence of eight or ten days on business for the firm. Inclosed you will find a fifty dollar bill for the painter-a debt which ought to have been attended to before. Take a receipt. Be careful of yourself while I am gone. I wish I could have run up to say adieu, but time presses. If you are lonely, get one of your sisters to come and stay with you. Affectionately, "CLARENCE.

Lottie had been crying all the morning, but now her eyes glittered. A row. new brightness came into her face as she hurried hither and thither, putting up her husband's things. And after the messenger had gone, she looke !

down at the fifty dollar bill in her hand.

"Eight or ten days," repeated to herself. "I'll go to the ball, after all, with Helen and her husband. I'll take this money and buy the moire antique. Grant will wait on me for the other \$35, I am sure; and as for the painter, just as likely as not he's in no hurry for his money, and if he is, I'll write to Uncle Jesse to lend me fifty dollars. I was always Uncle Jesse's favorite niece."

And this eager young woman threw on her bonnet and shawl and hurried down to Grant's to buy the remnant of lilac moire antique.

"Oh, certainly, certainly! Mr. Grant was in no hurry at all for the money. He would wait Mrs. Mellen's convenience any length of time she chose to And he unfolded the rich fabric,

skillfully holding it up so that the light should strike its rosy sheen to the best possible advantage.

shot with glimmering lines of silverbuds of spring violets in the sunshine -midsummer sunsets! Lottie thought of all these beautiful things as she thought of it. "Pray send it home at once," she

said, laying down her fifty dollar bill, "and credit this on my account." And then she tripped around to the

Mrs. Parkerson was at the dressmaker's-a plump rosy widow, with more

money than she knew how to spend. She had always liked young Mrs. Mellen, and now entered with alacrity into her plans. "A nice place to go, my dear," said "Once let yourself be seen at one of Mrs. Benedict's parties, and man is only what a woman makes him,"

your position in society is settled at and this sentiment is slightly varied in once. I have cards myself; but, of our own old English proverb, which course, so soon after my poor broth-, says that "if a man would thrive he er's death I couldn't go out. And must ask his wife's leave." The records you're to go in lilac moire antique, eh, my dear? I'll tell you what-I want of women who have done for their husyou to look nice, and I'll lend you my diamonds."

Lottie's cheeks flushed exultantly as she thought of Mrs. Parkerson's dia- crisis of their lives, and so turned what mond necklace, with its glittering pendent, and the bracelets studded with gems, to say nothing of the great solitaires, like drops of dew that hung from her ear-rings.

"Oh, Mrs. Parkerson!" she exclaimed breathlessly, "how can I ever thank

"Look as pretty as you can, my dear," said Mrs. Parkerson, good naturedly. "That's the way to thank

Miss Mously, the dressmaker, and Mrs. Mellen were in deep consultation | Among these the name that is first as to whether the front of the dress | thought of, probably because it has so corsage, the next day, when the latter was summoned down stairs. There stood Mr. Pepper, the painter, in the hall.

"Begging you pardon, ma'am, for interrupting you," said he, humbly doffing his cap; "but Mr. Mellen told me you would let me have the money on my little account!" Lottie crimsoned.

"I am very sorry, Mr. Pepper," said she nervously; "but you must call again next month !" "Mr. Mellen said you'd pay me with-

out delay, ma'am." "I can't help what Mr. Mellen said," exclaimed Lottie. "I haven't the mo-

ney. That enough!" "But ma'am, I was assured I should have it without any mistake. I need it ma'am, to send my sick wife out West to her mother's, and-"

"I have no time to stand here talking any longer," said Lottie, mortified. ashamed, yet still endeavoring to persuade herself that the man had no business to be persistant. "I will let you have the sum as soon as possible. the meantime you must wait!"

Pepper went away with a sad face. which haunted Mrs. Mellen for many a day, and Lottie returned to the dressmaking operations.

The lilac moire antique was made and fitted superbly. Sister Helen, who had a rich husband, lent the point lace flounces and scarf, and Mrs. Parkerson's man-servant brought around the satin casket of diamonds early in the afternoon; and Lottie Mellen went to Mrs. Benedict's ball, in the same carriage with her sister and sister's husband.

"For once, I am equal to any millionaire's wife on the avenue," thought Lottie, with a thrill of triumph at her

Her entrance made a sensation. She was quite aware of that as she swept through the brilliantly lighted rooms; and it was no small wonder, for she was as beautiful as a vision, with her golden hair, deep blue eyes and queenly height, while the lilac moire antique and diamonds set her off rarely.

Mr. Bently Benedict leveled his eyeglass at her as she passed on, after the usual presentation to her host and host-

"So that is the wife of your confiden tial clerk, eh, Joe?" said he to his brother. "A silk gown for a royal princess, point lace that couldn't have cost less than one hundred dollars a yard, and diamonds that blaze like comets! I don't exactly fancy that sort of a confidential clerk myself! Let me see -how much did you tell me you paid him? Fourteen hundred a year?"

Mr. Joe Benedict looked uneasily at the brilliant vision.

"I can't account for it," said he slow-"I always supposed Mellen to be a reliable sort of a fellow, but I must say I don't like the looks of this. I'm afraid we have trusted him too far, although the accounts seem straight enough. I'll look into them to-mor-

He did look into them. "So far they are right," he said to himself. "But it's better to be on the rafe side. A clerk whose wife dresses old.

like a duchess can't be altogether straight. I'll discharge him."

So Clarence Mellen lost his situation, at the beginning of the winter, with hard times looking him gravely in the

Mr. Benedict told him frankly why. "I saw your wife at my brother Bentley's ball," said he, "dressed in moire antique, costly lace and diamonds. I bring no accusation-I have no complaint to make-only, in these days of embezzlement, forgery and defalcation one has to look out for himself. And 'straws show which way the wind blows!"

When Mr. Mellen went home he found a lawyer's clerk in the hall, with a letter from poor Pepper.

He wrote: "My wife is dead, God knows whether it is your fault or not. Had you paid the money you owed, I might have sent her West, to her native air. It would at least have been a chance of life for her. But she is gone now, and How beautiful it was! Amethysts I have only to say that if the bill is not settled at once, I shall resort to the extremest measures."

This was the first Mr. Mellen knew that the fifty dollar bill had not been applied to its rightful destination.
"I hope you are contented now,

Lottie," he said, as he went up stairs to the room where his wife lay sob-bing on the sofa. "You have ruined

And lottie knew at last how dear a price she had paid for her one night of triumph at Mr. Benedict's ball.

From Cassell's Magazine.

Great Men's Wives. It was a saying of Rousseau's that "a of history contain numberless examples bands what Aaron and Hur did for in it that the President ordered him to Moses; they have held up their hands | write it. and supported them at the greatest would have been a failure into triumph and success. It is only necessary to mention the names of Gertrude von der Wert and Lady Rachel Russell in proof of this. It may not be uninteresting to give a few instances of women in our own generation who have been to their husbands helpers and fellowworkers, as well as sympathizing companions, and who have thus taken a position which is unanimously acknowledged to be a most proud and honorable one-that of a helpmate to man .should be cut a la Pompadour, or with recently been brought before public notice, is that of Lady Augusta Stanley, the wife of the Dean of Westminister. She possessed a largeness of heart and a strength of intellect which won respect and kindly feeling from all who came in contact with her. She sympathized most heartily with her husband both in thought and work, while the poor of Westminister found in her tenderness and kindness a frequent al-

leviation of their miseries. Every one will remember the testimony of John Stuart Mill to the worth of his wife, which is to be found in the dedication to her memory printed at the commencement of one of his essays: "To the beloved and deplored memory of her who was the inspirer, and in part the author of all that is best in my writings-the friend and wife whose exalted sense of truth and right was my strongest incitement, and whose approbation was my chief reward—I dedicate this volume." It is said that such was Mr. Mill's sorrow at her death that he continued to reside at Avignon, the place where she was buried, that he might continually visit her tomb.-Thomas Carlyle, one of the greatest intellectual lights of this century, has recorded his testimony to the worth of his wife on her tombstone: "In her bright existence she had more sorrows than are common, but also a soft amiability, a capacity for discernment, and a noble loyalty of heart which are rare. For forty years she was the true and loving helpmate of her husband, and by act and word un weariedly forwarded him, as none else could, in all of worth that he did or attempted." The wife of Sir William Hamilton, professor of logic in the University of Edinburgh, was a true helper to her husband; indeed, it is more than probable that without her many of his best works would never have been written. When he was elected to the professorship some of his opponents declared publicly that he would never be able to fulfill the duties of his position, as he was nothing but a dreamer. He and his wife heard of this and determined to prove that it was not true. They, therefore, arranged to work together. Sir William wrote out roughly each day the lecture that was to be given the next morning, and as he wrote his wife copied it out; and again and again they sat up writing till far into the night. When Sir William was struck down with paralysis, the result of overwork, Lady Hamilton devoted herself

Gen. W. F. Bartlett, of Massachusetts, is said to have remarked lately that he is "with the Tilden movement heart and soul," and intends to give the reasons for his faith in an open letter as soon as his health will permit

der as the eye that closes its lid against an atom of dust, or as that sensitive plant which you have seen shrink and shut its leaf not merely at the rude touch of a finger, but at the breath of a moth.

Keep your conscience tender-ten-

Very few people know how to grow

His Own Words.

We want to put upon record, in his the constitutional prerogative and duty own words, General Grant's several of the Executive. By the Constitution messages claiming dictatorial powers. the President shall have rower, by and Here is the one touching the river-and-

harbor bill: No. 1. To the House of Representatives:

and-harbor bill, No. 3822, I deem it my duty to announce to the House of and other public ministers and consuls, Representatives my objections to some &c. It is within the power of Confeatures of the bill and the reason I gress to grant or withhold the approsign it. If it was obligatory upon the Executive to expend all the money appropriated by Congress I should return the river-and-harbor bill with my objections, notwithstanding the great inconvenience to the public interests resulting therefrom, and the loss of expenditures from previous Congresses upon incompleted works. Without for many years, specific sums have here enumerating, many appropriations are been appropriated for designated mismade for works of purely private or sions or employment, and as a rule the local interest, in no sense national. I omissions of Congress to make an apcannot give my sanction to these, and will take care that during my term of heretofore been accepted as an indica-

office no public money shall be expended upon them. There is very great necessity for economy of expenditures at this time growing out of the loss of revenue liketion of the same. The reduction of revenue districts, diminution of special sors may result in great falling off of tain diplomatic and consular officers the revenue. It way be a question to shall cease, and not to invade the preconsider whether any expenditure can rogative of the Executive, which I be authorized under the river-and-harbor appropriation further than to protect works already done and paid for. Under no circumstances will I allow expenditures upon works not clearly U. S. GRANT. national.

Executive Mansion, August 14, 1876. he intends to carry the Southern States for Hayes by the use of the army. It is signed by Don Cameron, but he says

WAR DEPARTMENT, Washington City, Aug., 15, '67. To General W. T. Sherman, Command-

ing United States Army: Sir-The House of Representatives of the United States on the 10th instant passed the following preamble

and resolution, viz: Whereas, the right of suffrage prescribed by the constitution of the several States is subject to the fifteenth amendment to the constitution of the

United States, which is as follows: Article 15, Section 1.—The right of citizens of the United States to vote Interior, I have the honor to return shall not be denied or abridged by the herewith without my approval Senate United States or by any State on ac- bill No. 779, entitled "An act to pro- which Heber wrote at a few minutes" count of race, color of previous condi-

tion of servitude. Section 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appro-

priate legislation. And whereas the right of suffrage so prescribed and regulated should be faithfully maintained and observed by the United States and the several States and the citizens thereof. Whereas it is asserted that the exercise of the right of suffrage is in some of the States, notwithstanding the efforts of all good citizens to the contrary, resisted and controlled by fraud, intimidation and violence so that in such cases the object of the amendment is defeated, and whereas all citizens without distinction of race or class or color are entitled to

the protection conferred by such article: therefore be it. Resolved, By the House of Representatives that all attempts by force, fraud, terror, intimidation or otherwise to prevent the free exercise of the right of suffrage in any State should meet with certain, condign and effectual punishment, and that in any case which has heretofore occurred, or that may hereafter occur, in which violence or mar der has been or shall be committed by one race or class upon the other, the prompt prosecution and punishment of the criminal or criminals in any court having jurisdiction is imperatively de-

manded, whether the crime be one punishable by fine and imprisonment. or one demanding the penalty of death. The President directs that, in accordance with the spirit of the above, you are to hold all the available force under your command (not now engaged in subduing the savages of the western frontier) in readiness to be used upon the call or requisition of the proper legal authorities, for protecting all citizens, without distinction of race, color, or political opinion, in the exercise of the right to vote, as guaranteed by the fifteenth amendment, and to assist in the enforcement of "certain, condign, and effectual punishment" upon all persons who shall "attempt by force, fraud, terror, intimidation or otherwise to prevent the free exercise of the right of suffrage," as provided by the law of the United States, and have such force so distributed and stationed as to be able to render prompt assistance in the

enforcement of law. Such additional orders as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of these instructions will be given to you entirely to him-wrote for him, read from time to time, after consultation for him, and saved him in every way. with the law officers of the Government.

Very respectfully, your obedient serant, J. D. Cameron, vant, Secretary of War. Here is one denying the right of Congress to order foreign ministers and consuls to be called home:

No. 3.

In announcing, as I do, that I have

attached my signature of official approval to the act making appropriations r the consular and diplomatic service of the Government for the year ending June 30, 1877, and for other purposes, it is my duty to call attention to a pro vision in the act directing that notice be sent to certain of the diplomatic and consular offices of the Government to in 1440.

with advice and consent of the Senate. to make treaties, provided that twothirds of the Senators present consent, and he shall terminate them by and In affixing my signature to the river- with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall appoint embassadors priation of money for the payment of the salaries and expenses of foreign representatives of the Government. In the early days of the Government a sum in gross was appropriated, leaving it to the Executive to determine the grades of officers and countries to which they should be sent. Latterly, propriation for any specific post has tion of a wish on the part of Congress which the Executive branch of the Government respected and complied with. In calling attention to the passage which I have indicated, I assume ly to arise from a deficiency of appro- that the intention of the provision is priations to insure a thorough collec- only to exercise the constitutional prerogative of Congress over the expenditures of the Government, and to fix a agents, and total abolition of supervi- time in which the compensation of cer-

close their offices. In a literal sense

this direction would be an invasion of

should be compelled to resist; and my present object is not to discuss or dispute the wisdom of failing to appropriate for several offices, but to guard against any construction that might possibly be placed on the language used as implying a right in the legis-Here is the one which indicates that lative branch to direct the closing or discontinuance of any of the diplomatic or consular offices of the Govern-U. S. GRANT. ment. Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., August 14th.

Three messages from the dictator claiming unlimited powers. But these are not all. Here follow the two which he sent to the Senate, the former of which vetees a certain bill and the latter of which undertakes to veto the veto-a claim of power so absurd and unfounded that not one Senator rose in his place to advocate the claim. Here they are:

Nos. 4 and 5.

To the Senate of the United States: For the reasons stated in the accompanying communication submitted to me by the Acting Secretary of the vide for the sale of a portion of the reservation of the confederated Otoe and Missouria and the Sacs and Foxes of States of Kansas and Nebraska."

U. S. GRANT. Executive Mansion, Aug., 15., 1876.

To the Senate of the United States: Upon further investigation I am convinced that my message of this date withholding my signature from Senate bill No. 779, entitled "An act to provide for the sale of a portion of the reservation of the confederated Otoe and Missouria and the Sacs and Foxes of the Missouri tribes of Indians, in the States of Kansas and Nebraska," was premature; and I request, therefore, that the bill may be returned in order that I may affix my signature to it.

U. S. GRANT. Executive Man'n, Aug., 15, 1876. This bill was of course not returned to Grant, but both Houses of Congress passed it over his veto, and it is now a law. - Rich. Dispatch.

Curiosity Shop. Hawks can fly at the rate of 150 miles an hour.

Ducks can fly at the rate of 90 miles an hour. The crow can fly at the rate of 25 niles an hour.

The sparrow can fly at the rate of 92 miles an hour. The falcon can fly at the rate of 75

miles an hour. Frogs live from 12 to 15 years (if not eaten.)

120,000 little mouths or pores are found upon one square inch of a lilac

Sound moves at the rate of 123 miles a minute. 3,000 stars are only visible to the

naked eye. Countless millions are revealed by the telescope-some are so remote that their light, traveling at the rate of 200,000 miles a second, cannot arrive at our little planet in less than 14.000 years. The different species of birds is es-

The different species of fishes will probably reach 10,000. The different species of reptiles will probably reach 2,000. There are 250,000 species of living

timated at 6.000.

animals. The wings of some animals are so other would not form a heap of more than a quarter of an inch in height.

25,000 eggs of a silk worn weigh one-quarter of an ounce. The worm lives from 45 to 53 days. It increases in weight in thirty days 8,500 fold, and during the last 28 days of its life, eats nothing.

Glass windows were first used for lights in 1180. Chimneys were first put to houses in

Tallow candles for lights in 1290. Spectacles invented by an Italian in Woolen cloth made in England in

Art of printing from movable type

Habits of Authors.

We are told that Charlotte Bronte used to sit patiently and laboriously writing, day after day, with a lead pencil in little paper books made by her-self, which she held close to her eyes for she was near-sighted-all absorbed in ber own imaginings, as if her characters were real men and women whose minute history she was putting on record. And the language stood in the pencilled manuscript almost as it afterward did on the printed page, for she thought no time was so favorable for fastening upon the right word as be demolished by one terrific explothe moment of composition; and if it sion. The work of tunneling and bordid not come naturally with the idea. ing is now ended, and nothing remains as in her case it usually did, she waited for it, and it suggested itself and fell into its place. Such was the fidelity of this woman, who never put ber hand to a book until she was sure that she

had something to say. * EDGAR A. POE used to think over his subject until it beight from 20 feet near the shaft to was complete in his own mind before 10 or 12 feet near the outer circumhe took pen to write, and his manuscript was exceedingly neat and elo-formed 3,500 holes have been bored in quent; while on the other hand, N. P. an upward direction, ranging in depth Willis, who was to appearance the most from three to eleven feet, with a unioff-hand of journalists, was in the constant practice of changing the phrase- holes will be the receptacles of the exology of his article over and over again, even after they had gone into the hands of the printer, and the sheets were disfigured with many erasures and alterations, showing that the paragraphs, which show as if dashed off on the of the tunnel slopes outward from a spur of the moment, were in reality constructed with the utmost pains.

LAMB. Another of the fastidious was Lamb. He wrote very slowly, and every word was subjected to the severest criticism, and the one which expressed the nearest shade of meaning was fixed upon. Macaulay made a general plan on large sheets of paper, with lines far apart; then filled in, crowding sentence upon sentence, until the whole was a marvel to see, and then change for the better, or illustration or amplification seemed impossible, copied in a fair hand for the printer. Dr. Channing, in preparing one sermon, actually wrote enough to make two or three, going on and on as his thoughts came rapidly; then cut out page after page, saving none but those portions which best expressed what be wished to preach.

And yet, in the face of all this nicety and deliberation, it cannot be denied that some of the most popular things in literature, especially hymns and short poems, with now and then a story, have been written almost without forethought, and printed with but little alteration. As, for instance, the "Missionary Hymn,"

From Greenland's icey mountains,

And "Sheridan's Ride" has a history as felicitous. It is said of it that its the Missouri tribes of Indians in the anthor, Read, had Murdoch, the actor, for a guest, and while at breakfast saw in the morning's journal an account of Sheridan's exploit. He withdrew to his own room, and in about an hour came out with that poem, which Murdoch read at his benefit the same evening, and which in the course of a few weeks appeared in half the newspapers of the land. .

SIR WALTER SCOTT

said that when he began "Waverly" he had no idea what would come of it; he had no plot at all. In the morning he would think it over awhile, then rush on, and the characters took care of themselves, and it all came out right in the end. While he was engaged on his novels he became subject to attacks of cramp in the stomach, and he lay on a sofa and dictated nearly all of the "Bride of Lammermoor" and the whole of the "Legend of Montrose." When a paroxysm of pain seized him he would stop with a groan and then begin where he left off. He used to arrange in his mind the portion for the day before his own amanuensis came, which was ten o'clock, when he would commence and go right on, sustaining all the characters and detailing the conversation without confusion or mistake, and so

interested that sometimes he would spring to his feet and act it all out. The same thing as to want of plan is said to have been true of "Pickwick' and some of the novels of Thackeray. The author of "Pendennis" and "Vanity Fair" was wont to dally with his subject before he set himself to work, starting with half a quire of paper, on a part of which he made comic pic tures, a part he tore up, and on the remainder, after walking about in the most doleful manner, he began in earn-

DICKENS

est.

in his earlier days of authorship wrote only when he felt in the mood, but afterward became thoroughly systematic, and when the hour came he was at his table, alloting a certain part of the day to his work, and from this rule with us when opportunity is gone fornothing could tempt him to depart; for ever. it was upon persevering industry, not special inspiration, that he depended. Southey was another of the methodical writers. His days were indeed all busy; for, as he said, speaking of supporting his large family, his means lay "in an thin that 50,000 placed one upon the ink stand." And Dr. Barnes was another. Before he began his regular employment for the day, he labored at his "Notes" on the Bible, which, although all the time given to them was before 9 o'clock in the morning, grew to such proportions, through his systematic application, that they form almosta little library of themselves. Surrounding circumstances and the

hour have all been potential in their influences. Christopher North chose the night, and sat in his shirt sleeves, in a small study, at a table littered with papers, books and pictures around, writing rapidly with a quill pen, his thoughts kindling more and more as the hours went on. Campbell rose early and did his work before break-

Carlyle takes a good vigorous Euglish walk of several miles, far enough to get bimself in a glow, and then is ready for his pen.

THE EXPLOSION AT HELL GATE.

The Entire Mass to Go Up at One Time.

From the New York World. The great explosion at Hell Gate is now certain to take place during the latter part of September, and contrary to reports which have been generally circulated, the entire mass of rock will

undone except the preparation and insertion of the cartridges.

The tunnels radiating from the main shaft, and likewise those crossing them, are all cleared out, leaving the upper crust of rock supported on 172 piers, each 8 feet square, but varying in form diameter of three inches. These plosive material, which will be dynamite where the rock is hardest and ordinary vulcan powder where the superincumbent mass is more friable and easier to blow to pieces. As the floor depth of thirty-two feet to forty feet below the water, and the depth of wa-ter required for navigation in the neighborhood of New York is only twenty-six feet at low mean water, it is plain that after the explosion and the subsequent dredging there will be ample room for the largest ships in

the world to reach New York bay

through the waters of the sound, and

thus make a saving of time on the voyage to and from Europe. Nitro-glycerine was at first contemplated as the most suitable explosive igent; but on mature consideration it was rejected, not only as being too dangerous in the manufacture, but also because some of the charges are liable to slip out of the holes prepared for them, and in such an event nitroglycerine would be liable to explode prematurely. Dynamite, which is composed of 25 per cent. of clay and 75 per cent. of nitro-glycerine, was finally selected; and it is calculated that each charge will break up twenty cubic yards, there being in or about seventy thousand cubic yards in the entire mass to be exploded. A bomb-proof chamber has been prepared for the operators, at a distance of 300 feet southeast of the main shaft, and in the direction of the Ravenswood road. In this chamber will be placed at least 200 galvanic batteries of the pattern known as Grove's, and each of these will explode from seventeen to twenty charges. A most ingenious scheme has been devised by which all these batteries will be brought into action at the same time, and thus a complete circuit be formed, setting off the entire 3,500 charges together, and utterly destroying the great plateau of rock which has made Hell Gate so dangerous to nav-

igators. General Newton has been unceasing in his exertions, and has kept up a constant series of experiments to insure a perfect success when the great day comes; and there is no reasonable ground for fear of any untoward accident occurring. The assistant engineers who will have practical charge of the operations on the day of the explosion, will, according to the popular belief, be placed in a position of great danger, but this is only visionary, as the utmost foresight has been used to

prevent any harm to the operators. The engineers are of opinion the cnly apparent effects of the explosion will be the burling into the air of a huge column of water, with perhaps some bits of rock, as the resistance of the super-incumbent water will prevent any except a few of the smaller masses from being ejected beyond the surface. As soon as ever the explosion is over the work of dredging will begin, in order to throw the channel open to navigation at the earliest possible moment.

The man who lives right and is right has more power in his silence than another has by his words. Character is like bells which ring out sweet music, and which, when touched accidentally, ever resound with sweet music.

Your disposition will be suitable to that which you most frequently think on; for the soul is, as it were, tinged with the color and complexion of its own thoughts. Opportunity is the flower of time.

flower is cut off, so time may remain What are Raphael's Madonnas but

and as the stalk may remain when the

the shadow of a mother's love, fixed in permanent outline forever. The woman of work sweeps everything before her; the woman of fashion

sweeps everything behind. The man who is honest from policy is the most dangerous customer we have to deal with.

The love of justice in most men is nothing but the fear of suffering from injustice.

Nothing can be love to God which does not shape itself into obedience. It is much easier to limit one's gratitude than one's hopes and desires.

Good words and good deeds are the rent we owe for the air we breathe. Exercise gives health, vigor, cheerfulness, sleep, and a good appetite.

The ascents of honor, however steep, never appear inaccessible. Our passions are the only orators

who are certain to persuade us.

FOR PRESIDENT, SAMUEL J. TILDEN.

Of New York. FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,

TH'S. A. HENDRICKS. Of Indiana.

ELECTORAL TICKET. FOR THE STATE AT LARGE. JOHN W. DANIEL, of Lynchburg. F. W. M. HOLLIDAY, of Winchester. DISTRICT ELECTORS.

DISTRICT ELECTORS.

t.-B. F. Bl.AND, of Middlebex.
THOMAS TABB, Elizabeth City.
A. M. KEILEY, Richmond.
F. K. HARRIS, Mecklenburg.
JOHN E. PENN, Patrick.
W. E. CABELL, Buckingham.
H. H. RIDLLEBERGER, Shenandoah.
B. JOHNSON BARBOUR, Orange.
D. S. PIERCE, Wythe.

Ex-Gov. Gilbert C. Walker has been re-nomination for Congress by acclamation in the Richmond District.

Last Saturday Gov. Jacob appointed ex-Gov. Samuel Price, of Greenbrier county, U. S. Senator from West Virginia to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Senator Caperton. Mr. Price is well known as a prominent and influential citizen of West Virginia.

The burden of Radical speeches in Virginia is "Tweed." Tweed was a Democrat, and an infamous wretch and thief. He was onsted from the Democratic party, by Democrats, tried and convicted by men of the same party. The chief instrument in his prosecution was Samuel J. Tilden, the Democratic candidate for President. Tweed, however, is not the "greatest thief America ever produced," as a Radical orator proclaimed in a speech in Staunton last week. There are some in the Republican party to-day, and who enjoy the support and esteem of that organization, who can bring the blush to Tweed's cheeks.

HOW GRANT TREATED THE "BOYS IN BLUE."

When Grant was inaugurated President there were soldiers and sailors who served in the Federal army in the late war representing the United States at the following places, all appointees of President Johnson, a Democrat: Ministers-Paris, Gen. Dix; Stockholm. Gen. Bartlett; Hague, Gen. Ewing; Santiago, Gen. Kilpatrick; Mexico, Gen. Rosecrans; Lima, Gen. Hovey; Quito, Gen. Sullivan; Consuls-Bordeany Col Glesson: Glasgow Colonel Duff, Cadiz, Capt. R. F. Farrell; Canton, Lieut. King, U. S. N.

All of these were promptly removed by Gen. Grant upon his advent to power, and given to those who charged with their tongues and shed their ink in defence of the Union-to those who are "invincible in peace and invisible

The "boys in blue" remember this. and they remember, too, that the present Democratic House of Representatives have more boys in blue in office, in proportion to the number of officers, than the preceding House, overwhelmingly Republican. The appeals of Garfield and Dix, therefore, have no weight with the great majority of them. Their attention cannot be diverted from the true issue of the campaign-Reformby appeals to prejudice and professions of love. The war feeling has died out, and the professed love for the Federal soldier by the Republican party has proved to be a sham.

Just before Congress adjourned President Grant sent in a message asking that body to increase the army, contending that its numbers were not sufficient to cope with the Sioux. Congress acceded to the President's request, without giving the subject proper consideration. Grant asked for the regular army to be increased 2,500 men, when more than double that number are quartered in the Southern States, alone, where they are to be retained to carry the elections for the Republican ticket. Just as a motion to adjourn was carried in Congress, Don Cameron, Secretary of War, at the bidding of Grant, ordered General Sherman to hold all available forces in readiness to secure fair elections. The elections will not be held for three months, and no trouble can be apprehended thus early.

The only trouble the Administration fears, is being hurled from power by the peaceful ballot, and to get up the old race feeling in the South is its only hope. The government forces are to be stationed in at least four of the Southern States for the double purpose of bringing the negroes up to the work out hope that it will continue. of voting, as heretofore, and to intimidate the whites. No means will be spared, now, to get up a riot or two between the whites and blacks-either real or imaginery. The latter is to inspire the Northern heart, whilst the bloody shirt is to be waved from every hill-top. All this will not avail. The better and thinking people of the country cannot be misled by such tactics. They are tired of Republicanism as practiced by Grant, Morton, Conkling, Cameron & Co., and have decided to elect Tilden, the great Reformer. | quirer.

SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

From a careful summing up of the result of the primary meetings and elections in the various counties of 'his Congressional District it is evidence that Judge Harris will have more then a majority on the first ballot.

The total vote of the Discrict is 15, 858-necessary to a choice 7,929. Below is a close estimate of the strength of the several condidates.

FOR HARRIS. Rocking Lain1,402 Pags..... 759 Goochland 691 Albemarle..... 866

Total 8,803 Besides the above Judge Harris will receive a part of the vote of Highland, and possibly part of that of Greene.

FOR O'FERRALL. " Greene..... 544 Page 259 Total .

Col. O'Ferrall will get a portion of the Highland vote. Capt. Bumgardner carried half of Augusta and Mr. Southall half of Al-

enone lava by

The Boston Post calls Gov. Haves "a political thingumbob." Well, the the prices brought will compel them to sus-Post is wrong. Hayes may be the 'umbob, or the 'umbug, but he's not

Republican Reform.

"GRAND HOTEL, Indianapolis, Aug 21, 1876.—Dear sir : I have just finished a tour of six counties in Indiann, and feeling that any reliable information from this State will interest you, I write. In the first place the convass is well conducted, the people are enthusiastic and determined, and the old war spirit thoroughly aroused, and if it were not for one thing we could rest certain of victory in October. There is an Independent party in this State, confined, it is true, to a few counties, but formidable, and it will defeat General Harrison. There is but one way to overcome this movement. The leaders of the independents are poor, needy and in debt; they must be lectured, and documents be placed in their hands, that they may be convinced of their folly. A bloody shirt campaign with money and Indiana is sofe; a financial campaign and no money and we are beaten. The National Committee has done nothing for Indiana-alone they are fighting their battle, and bravely, but unless the National Committee wakes up and does its duty to you, to the party, and the coun- to the rapid progress of the flames, the intry, defeat is certain in October. I never in all my life felt so certain I | but were removed without accident. A firewas doing my duty as in this contest; man named Stewart fell from a ladder and and my desire for success my dear sir, was instantly killed. A number of other is my only excuse for writing you.

Your friend, "J. KILPATRICK. 'To R. B. Hayes, Governor," &c. Is Kilpatrick a fool, or does he take the "Independents" of Indiana to be as great knaves as he writes himself to be in this letter? A bloody shirt campaign with money, and Indiana is

And this is Republicanism, and the party to whom such reformers as the Tribune, Carl Schurz & Co. would commit the destinies of the Republic. Soldiers to control the ballots in the South, and money to buy the North! What next?-Whig.

The Black Vote Divided. Dr. Redfield, a republican, and the correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial, a republican paper, was in Alabama during the late election there and has arrived at the conclusion that at last the black vote in the South has been divided. He says that Maringo county in that State "has heretofore been one of the republican strongholds, and up to the late election it never failed to roll in a republican majority of from two to three thousand. The population of the country is 6,090 white and 20,058 colored. This means that the republicans outnumbered the democrats more than two to one. In 1874 democrats polled 1,808 votes and the republicans 3,432. Last week the republican vote dwindled down to 1,306 and the democratic swelled to 2.598. for the reason that fully one thousand collored men voted the democratic ticket, and another thousand did not vote at all. Bullock county contains 7,223 whites and 17,257 blacks. In 1874 the republican ticket in that contty had 2,503 votes, and at the recent election it had but 600, a falling off of nearly 2,000, whilst the democratic vote ran up from 1,584 in 1874 to 2,-919 in 1876. As there are only about 1.200 democratic votes in the county, it is evident the bulk of the black vote went to the democrats. In Hale county, containing 4,800 whites to 17,000 blacks, the democrats made a net gain of 2,938 votes, fully 1,500 blacks voting with the democrats." The same condition is said to exist in Florida. Mississippi, Louisiana, and some of the other Southern States, and though Virginia is almost too near the corrup ting influences of Washington for the beneficial change to have made much progress here yet awhile, the course of some of the most intelligent colored preachers in the State shows that it has commenced, and we are not with-

When the Secretary of the Navy, under the command of the Congress; headed by the House of Representatives, is compelled to issue an order to nearly three hundred sailors, who cannot sail, that they shall take a vacation from doing nothing to doing less, at salaries ranging from \$300 to \$1,150 per annum, there is mourning in the land. And when it happens that these officers are driven into furloughs at less pay than "machinists and firemen." &c., receive when at work, man's inhumanity to man makes several Republican midshipmen mourn.—Cincinnati En- Governor, and Sherman S. Rogers for

BY TELEGRAPH!

Special Dispatches to the Commonwealth.

Movements of Cameron and Gen. Sherman

THE COAL COMBINATION.

Suspension of Operations-Thousands of

GREAT FIRE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Miners thrown out of Employment.

200 Families Houseless.

Terrorism in Louisiana.

TROUBLES IN SAN DOMINGO.

Movements of Cameron and Sherman. WASHINGTON, August 30th. Secretary of War Cameron and General Sherman will leave here on their Western tour of inspection about the 12th of Sep-

The Coal Combination.

POTTSVILLE, PA. August 29th. The prices realized by the auction sale of coal in New York were anxiously looked for by all engaged in the coal trade. Much surprise and alarm was shown as the prices were bulletined, the general expectation being that the sales would be adjourned if \$3.50 per ton, as the lowest figure, could not be obtained. The coal operators say that pend operations unless tolls and labor be reduced much lower than at present, with chances against them then. It is not at all reduction of wages and the situation has a gloomy look for the fall and winter trade.

Miners out of Employment. PHILADELPHIA, August 30th.

The announced general suspension of miing operations has gone into effect in the Schuylkill regions. The suspension will continue, it is generally believed, until after the difficulties between the broken monopoly is adjusted. Thousands of miners and laborers are thrown out of employment.

Great Fire in San Francisco. SAN FRANCISCO, August 29th. Last night a fire broke out in a box factory on Branman street, in the southern part of the city in a neighborhood closely built up with frame dwellings, stores and manufacturing establishments, and before 2 o'clock this morning the fire had almost swept away the large block bounded by Branman, Townsend, 3rd and 4th streets, the only buildings saved being the fine offices of the Central Pacific R. R. and a few frame houses of little value. The losses will aggregate half a million of dollars, and over two hundred poor families were turned out of doors. In derman Hospital, a large brick edifiic, containing at the time about 70 patients, owing mates were for a time in a critical situation accidents occurred.

Insurrection in San Domingo.

HAVANA, August 29th. The Diario publishes the following late news from San Domingo, received by the English steamer via St. Thomas :- "At last accounts the insurrection had not been quelled. The port of Azua had been pronounced for Baez and was declared under blockade by the Goot Puerto. Plate and Santiago continued besieged by the Insurgents and communication with the interior is interrupted. The government is organizing more troops."

Terrorism in Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, August 29th. The following is a dispatch to the associated press: Monroe, La. August 29th .- The city and vicinity are greatly excited because of the firing into last night of the residences of David Faulk and Isaiah Garrett, and the attempt to kill Lamy Faulk, all planters, livng on the river below here. Mrs. David Faulk has been dangerously ill for some weeks and her bedroom was the target of the assassins. Mr. Garrett's residence received about seventy bullets. Mr. Lamy Faulk saw two colored men enter his gate. They aimed at him and a man by the name of snapped. Several white families have come to the city for safety, and appeals have been made to a volunteer company for assistance. No cause can be imagined for this outrage, which has thrown the whole parish into excitement and spread terror among the white families of this section, where the greatest quiet has hitherto prevailed. It is thought that this trouble is in consequence of a disturbance occurring last Saturday at a Republican barbacue when 8 or 10 whites, present by invitation, were rudely treated by negroes, their lives threatened and forced to leave the grounds in order to pacify the infuriated blacks, who drew repeaters and otherwise exhibited the spirit of desperadoes. Fortunately the firing at houses did no serious damage, although the shots in each case entered bed rooms. Steps have been taken to preserve the peace and prevent a recurrence of similar outrages.

The Servian War.

BELGRADE, August 29. Official advices received here state that the Turks attacked the Servian left on Monday, but were repulsed with heavy loss. They left their killed and a large quantity of arms and ammunition on the field. The Turkish attack on Little Zwornick was like-

WOE! WOE! TO THE COUNTRY .- What does the Tribune mean by pretending to cast a doubt on the genuineness of the Kilpatrick letter? It was acknowledged to be genuine in a dispatch from Columbus, and Gov. Haves telegraphed to Gov. Morgan for assistance, and that gentleman sent his check for \$10,000 to Indiana. The Tribune need not put on so many airs of squeamishness in supporting the Republican ticket. Let it follow the example of its leader, the Times and brazen the thing out .- World.

The New York republican convention met at Saratoga Wednesday and nominated ex Gov. E D. Morgan for Lieutenant Governor.

THE "BOYS IN BLUE."

How Garfield and Dix are Uniting Them, From the New York Sun.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir :-Four years ago I supported Grant, but now I believe the only salvation of our beloved country is in the election of Samuel J. Tilden. To this end I am laboring. I was in the army, and remained in it until the close of the war, and I have an undeniable right to be classed as a Boy in Blue. Last night the Hayes men held a meeting to form a company of Dix's Boys in Blue. It was a complete fizzle. The fact is that in Uncle Samuel's native county the royal Boys in Blue are supporting and working for him. The sons of Columbia feel proud that they have another opportunity to cast their votes for an honest statesman, a true patriot, and a man that cannot be impeached in any of his acts. This is the reason why those few silly, FOREIGN NEWS, ETC. brainless officeholders cannot organize a club. Casey, an ex-Doorkeeper and ruler of the Grantites here, tries hard, but it is no use. Columbia county was never known to go back on her fivorite sons. Soon you will hear the thundering echoes of the thousand brave, honest hearts of old Columbia shouting and endorsing their own native son, that honest man, Samuel J. Tilden. So says A Boy IN BLUE. Hudson, Aug. 23, 1875.

The following is an extract from a letter in the N. Y. Express:

It is fair to presume that "the soldiers and sailors who have served in the late war" would have a better chance for "positions of State" under Grant, who owes everything to them, than under a civilian. But the contrary is the fact. No man was ever so indifferent to the claims of the sailor probable that the miners will consent to a and soldier, and, as a matter of course, notwithstanding the quadrennial manifestoes, the Republican party.

We invite impartial attention to this statement: When Grant took office there were "soldiers and sailors who served in the late war" representing the United States at the following places, all of whom were appointed by Andrew Johnson, and promptly removed by Ulysses S. Grant, to give place to the civilian friends of the roarers of the Home Guards, invincible in peace, invisible in war:

Ministers-Paris, Gen. Dix; Stockholm, Gen. Bartlett; Hague, Gen. Ew- Mr. Tilden and several other gentleing; Santlago, Gen. Kilpatrick-(the General wants to go back. He won't); Mexico, Gen. Rosecrans; Lima, Gen. Hovey; Quito, Gen. Sullivan.

Consuls-Bordeaux, Col. Gleason; Glasgow, Col. Duff; Cadiz, Capt. R. F. Farrell; Canton, Lieut. Edward M. King, U. S. N.

Let us contemplate the many "high positions of State" awarded to the Boys in Blue" when Grant was inaugurated. We hope we do not offend the President of the Society of Cincincinnati when we inquire for his record during the war. Neither in the field nor in Congress did he give any assistance to the nation from 1861 to 1869, nor did any one of his family. Mr. Fish, with his recherche wines at spring chicken in Second Avenue, did cerned. It does not appear that there othing to merit this high office

We know what he did shortly after his installation—peddle lots on Second Avenue, of this city, to the Russian Minister, who, finding the price too high, declined to buy, and of course, displeased the Premier of Grant's

Mr. Boutwell was in office at Washngton during the war. The gallant Borie, whose knowledge of handreefing, boxing the compass, steering and throwing beef bones overboard, was limited, was taken from a cave of political darkness and thrust into the Navy Department. What did he do to merit such an honor? Nothing. No one ever heard of him outside of a small circle in Philadelphia. His political exaltation was based upon his terrapin and tokay, which Grant consumed ad libitum when he visited Phil-

adelphia. His successor, the plucky Robeson, was equally as obscure and as ignorant of statesmanship as of seamanship. If he don't retire to some sequestered place in the Valley of the Yosemite shortly, he may arrive at the penitentiary in Auburn before the inauguration of Governor Tildeu. Columbus Wenton and attempted to fire but the caps | Delano and Landaulet Williams never served in the army or navy, but they have left remembrances of themselves in the Treasury Department that will not be forgotten in the next decade. "High positions of State" indeed. Boys in Blue," perhaps, were not filled with the necessary instincts, lately referred to by James G. Blaine, to please the President, and of course

were incompetent. "Boys in Blue" would do well to remember that of all the Cabinet officers of Grant, twenty-five or twenty-six, only three were 'Boys in Blue." Rawlins, the creator of Grant's military reputation, died at his post; Cox hadn't the requisite "instincts," and stepped down and out, and Belknap has shown how true a friend, like his pals, Evans and Marsh, he was to the "Boys in Blue!" The poor fellows out on the plains defending our frontier from savages, halted in their perilous toil and compelled to pay, out of their small wages, tribute to the rascals nominated and fostered by Grant and Belknap. Now, they claim to be the soldier's friend. Has the century ever heard of such effrontery, cheek and

bypocrisy? If we look at the "high positions" in the several States wo will find that they were not given to the "Boys in Blue." No one eyer charged Thomas Murphy, who succeeded Mr. Grinnell as Collector of this port, with doing anything towards "saving the Union, except to make a very curious kind of a hat and cap that was very sensitive to rain, which he sold at a very high price, and is said to have made a fortune by so doing. His successor is called "General," but the War Department has not a line referring to his marches and exploits in the "tented field." He is an ornamental "General," that is, one who never set squadron in the field. Messrs. Cornell. Laffin, Darling and James took a great interest in the "Boys in Blue," but were a long distance from the war

during its continuation. The "high positions" in Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati and

St. Louis were not given to "Boys in Blue" when Grant and the Republicans came into power in 1869. The corrupt and incompetent who shouted in bar-rooms and in the saloons of

clubs "three cheers for the Union.

were the recipients of the favors of Grant and the Republican party. The past is before the "Boys in Blue." They know the hollow professions of men who have plundered the country and brought shame upon its honored name. Their valor and unselfishness crowned it with glory. The latter, to be kept untarnished, must be put out of the reach of Republican rogues, and upon none is that duty more imperative than upon the "Boys in Blue," who rallied and fought as none others ever did for the good name of the land, that is now suffering from a concatenation of rings in the Republican party, each of which excels the others in defrauding the people and bringing shame to every honest face. AN EX BOY IN BLUE. ---

From the Few York Nation. The Attack on Mr. Tilden.

THE TRUTH OF THE ALTON AND TERRE HAUTE MATTER CLEARLY STATED.

These charges against Mr. Tilden deserve some attention, because they affect the character of a man who, it is not at all unlikely, will be for four years President of the country. They are supposed to go to the root of his character, and to show him to be not merely unfit for public life, but for a decent position of any kind. They are said, in fact, to show his whole career to be one of chicanery, fraud, and rob bery, and to exhibit him as only differing from a man like Fish, Jr., or Jay Gould in not having openly thrown off all restraint. We have carefully ex- | CRAND CENTENNIAL amined the principal one of these charges, in fact, the only one brought forward in a tangible form, which relates to the St. Louis, Alton and Terre Haute Railroad, and find that it rests on these facts:

In 1859, some seventeen years ago, there was a Western railroad, called the Terre Haute, Alton and St. Louis Railroad, which got into difficu ties, and could not pay the interest on its bonds. The bondholders determined to foreclose the mortgages under which the bonds were issued and reorganize the road. They accordingly appointed men, who were selected on account of their knowledge of law or their skill in railroad matters, to do the business for them. These gentlemen, forming what was called the "Purchasing Committee" of the road, bought the road in at a foreclosure sale, and sold it again to a new re-organized company, receiving in return new securities, which they were to distribute among their principals on the basis of agreements made with them. They issued these new securities to the old creditors as long as any creditors appeared to claim them. There were at the end of these proceedings a number of securities still undistributed, which the Purchasing Committee divided among themselves, either for their services or for other G.r.ison's, on the Hudson, and his reasons satisfactory to the parties conany complaint made by anybody to whom Mr. Tilden or his co-purchasers

stood in the relation of trustees. Indeed, so far from this being the case, the Purchasing Committee, while having under their agreements the right to exclude any persons from the benefits of the reorganization after June, 1862, took no advantage of this right, but admitted claimants down to 1868, and have never excluded anybody. Besides this, they say that, in purchasing the road in their own name they assumed heavy liabilities, some of which are still outstanding; that they performed many services for which they could get no remuneration except from the surplus in their bands; that the whole remuneration arising from this surplus would not pay each member of the committee, at the outside, threequarters of one per cent. of the nominal amount of the securities which passed through the hands of the committeea small remuneration; that the net result of the whole operation was to greatly benefit the road, advancing the securities from twice to eight times as much as they were worth before. The present managers of the road,

who are not the persons who employed Mr. Tilden, and have, so far as it appears, no relation with him of any kind, now make a claim upon him and the members of the committee for an account, to which he and the other members reply that it is none of their business. One of the members of the committee has very frankly told the plaintiffs that he does not pretend to understand the legal rights of the matter, that he has a number of the bonds and is perfectly willing to surrender them if ordered to do so by any competent authority. The only question apparently involved in the case is one purely legal, whether there is any relation of principal and agent or trustee and beneficiary existing between the Purchasing Committee and the road, as it at present exists, which authorizes an accounting between them, and the litigation is of a kind to which any lawyer might unavoidably become a party. The road says there is; Mr. Tilden and the other members of the committee say there is not, and naturally decline to give up their books. It is obvious that in doing this they simply act so as to guard their own rights. for it must be remembered that they admit the existence of persons to whom they did stand in the relation of agents; and if they have any property in their possession for which they owe any account, it may be to these principals that they owe it, and if they do not want to pay it twice over to two different sets of people, they must resist with every means in their power the claim now made upon them. There are no indicia of fraud about the case, and, so far as appears, its use by Republican organs, in its present unsettled state, to prove Mr. Tilden a railroad "robber" or "shark," is a scandalous abuse of the power of the press.

We have gone into this "charge" at considerable length, because it illustrates the straits to which the Republicans have reduced themselves for campaign powder. In the present campaign all the benefit that can be extracted from "charges" will be reaped by the Democrats, who can prove by

undeniable evidence a corruption in the dominant party of the most gigantic extent, widespread throughout all the departments of the Government, and practically encouraged by its head.

Gold closed in New York Monday

at 1101.

COMMERCIAL HARRISONBURG MARKET CORRECTED WEEKLY BY A. M. HELLER. THURSDAY MORNING, Aug. 31, 1876 Butter, (good fresh). 0 00@12;
Eggs, 0 20@0 2
Potatoes, new 0 50@0 F(
Woel, (unwashed) 0 20@0 22
Do (washed). 0 30@0 35

CATTLE MARKETS. Baltimore, August 23, 1876.
Beef Cattle—Prices to-day ranged as follows:

New Advertisements.

EXCURSION

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, FROM THE VALLEY OF VILGINIA, ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, 1876, AT GREATLY REDUCED RATES. Schedule for the Special Train with Round-

Trip Fares from Different Stations: Trip Fares from Different Stations:

Leave Staunton. 4:30 A. M. \$11.00

"Harrisonburg. 5:45 " 10.00

"New Market. 6:39 " 310.00

"Mount Jackson, 7:01 " 10.00

Edinburg. 7.24 " 10.00

"Woodstock. 7.39 " 9.75

"Strasburg. 815 " 9.35

"Winchester, 9.17 " 8.75

"Charlestown, 10:22 " 8.15

"Harper's Ferry, 10:48 " 7:50

"Washingtrn City, 1:00 P. M.

Relay, 1:50 D. M.

Arrive at Baltimore 2:30 P. M.

"Philadelphia, 6:35 P. M.

VIRGINIA, TO-WIT:—In the Clerk's Office of the

Circuit Court of Rockingham County, on the 25th day of August, A. D., 1876; Reherd, William Reherd, William Reherd administrator of Lewis Reherd, dec'd, Andrew E. Hencherger, Jacob Ehrman, John Earman, John E. Roller assignee in bankruptey of George Messersmith, Peter Reherd, J. N. Gordon, B. F. Ritche, Samuel A. Long executor of John Long, sen., Gec'd, B. M. Rice, Ella Warren, William Ott, J. W. F. Allemong, B. F. Wheeler, Samuel Shacklett, Charles P. Arey, Isaac Hardesty, William H. Payne, Annie Strayer, Rliza Strayer, Clara Strayer, Adelaide Strayer, and others, the unknown creditors of Long & Stinespring, Long & Heller, and B. E. Long, who are made defendants as parties unknown,.. Defendants,

IN CHANCERY.

The object of this suit is to have an execution of the provisions of the deed of trust, dated the 23d of May, 1876, from B. E. Long to Complainant as trustee, to secure the creditors of B. E. Long, and have a distribution of the proceeds of said Trust under the direction and control of the Court.

And affidavit being made that the defendant Jaceb Ehrman is a non-resident of the state of Virginia, and that the names of certain other defendants who are made parties by the general name of the unknown creditors of Long & Stinesping, the urknown creditors of Long & Stinesping, the urknown creditors of Long & Heller, and the unknown creditors of Benjamin E. Long, are unknown.

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 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: IN CHANCERY.

conburg Va., and another copy thereof posted at the rout door of the Court-House of this County, on the irst day of the next term of the County Court of said J. H. SHUE, C. C. C. R. C. aug31-4w Roller, p. q.

TIRGINIA, TO WIT:-In the Clerk's Office of the V Circuit Court of Rockingham County, on the 25th ay of August, A. D., 1876; Adaline Showalter, administratrix of George Ireland,

The object of this suit is to enforce the collection of a decree in favor of the complainant against the defendants for 63.41, with interest from the 7th of December, 1875, and \$2.06 costs.

And affidavit being made that the defendant William E. Roller is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, It is ordered that he do appear here within one month after due publication of this order and answer the Plaintif's bid, or do what is necessary to protect his interest, 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. q.—aug31-4w

Commissioner's Sale DURSUANT to a decree of the Circuit Court of Rockingham county in the cause of Bausernan vs Bausernan, &c., I will sell at public auction at the front door of the Court-House in Harrisonburg, On Friday, the 22nd day of September, 1876, an undivided half interest in a TRACT OF SEVEN ACRES OF LAND, lying near McGaheysville in said ACRES OF LAND, lying near McGaheysville in said county, purchased of Wm. B. Yancey.

TEEMS;—One-fourth cash, and the remainder in six, twelve and eighteen months with interest from the day of sale; the purchaser giving bonds therefor, with approved security, and the title retained as ultimate security.

JOHN E. ROLLER, aug31-ts

Comm'r of Sale.

ESTRAY SETTER DOG. Tive or six Sundays since my two Setter Dogs tollowed the buggy of Messrs. Borst and Jordan to Shenandoah Iron Works. One returned. The other is yet away, and is a white and black spotted dog; black spots large; a black stripe or streak running up between the eyes to the forehead, with white on each side; the point of his tail is somewhat bushy and white; he is young but recognizes the name of "Ben." I will pay a liberal reward for his return to me in Harrisonburg, aug21.3w

B. F. RICHARDS.

MRS. BRYAN'S SCHOOL

Will Re-open September 11th. Number Limited to Twelve.

NO BOYS RECEIVED.

Public Sale of Live Stock. WILL offer at public sale, at McGaheysville, ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 1876, at 10 o'clock, A. on the day and place of the sale. Z. D. GILMORE.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders the Rawley Springs Company, will be held a fawley Springs, ON THE FIRST FRIDAY IN OCTO BER, 1876. It is important that all the stock should be represented.

A. B. IuICK, President augsl-4w of the Rawley Springs Co. SALES.

COOK'S CREEK LAND FOR SALE.

IN pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Rockingham, rendered at the May Term, 1876, in the chancery cause of Jonathan Sharer vs. Joseph Coffman's Executor, &c., we, as Commissioners, will, On Wednesday, September 20th, 1876.

sell on the premises, at public suction, Two Tracts of Land. If ying near Dayton, in Rockingham county, containing together about 250 ACRES.

These lands are among the very best in the county in soil; are bighly improved, having two valuable brick residences thereon, with good outbuildings; and orchard; plenty of water and timber.

They will be offered in two parcels, divided as they were between Joseph Coffman and David Coffman, having one of the residences upon each place, and will then be offered as a whole and the best bid or bids accepted. The land will be sold subject to the dower of Abigail Coffman which has been assigned by meter and bounds.

TERMS:—So much cash upon the confirmation of the sale as may be sufficient to may complainants costs of suit in the Circuit Court and the expenses of sale.

the sale as may be sufficient to ray complainants coefs of suit in the Circuit Court and the expenses of sale, and the residue upon a credit of one, two and three years from date of sale, the payments to be equal in amount, and all the purchase money bearing, interest from the day of sale, and the purchaser being required to give good personal security for the purchase money.

ROBERT JOHNSTON, GEO. G. GRATTAN, aug24-ts

Commissioners.

BY virtue of the Will of Winfield S. Baugher, dec'd, I will offer at public vendue, On Saturday, September 2nd, 1876,

114 Acres of Land. being a part of the "HOME FARM," and known as the "Dangerfield Tract," lying and being in Rockingham county, on the cast side of the Shenandoah River, one mile north of Port Republic, adjoining the landed estate of Gec. A. Scott, Noah Shuler and others.

The survey of the Shenandoah Valley Railread runs through almost the centre of the land. There are about 60 acres of cleared land in the tract, and the balance heavily timbered. The land is of kind nature, well adapted to the growth of all kinds of small grain, also growing tobacce; is well watered and is situated in a delightful neighborhood—convenient to schools, churches, stores, factories, shops, &c.

TERMS:—One-fourth cash in hand on the day of sale; balance in three equal annual payments; all of the purchase money to bear interest from the day of sale. The purchaser to execute bonds with good and satisfactory personal security, and a lient to be retained on the land as ultimate security.

L. W. KAYLOR, Executor aug17-ts

Of W. S. Baugher, dec'd.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF LAND. ON SATURDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1876, at 10 o'clock, A. M., by virtue of a decree rendered in the chancery cause of Wm. May, &c. vs. N. J. Smith's administrator, &c., I will, as Commissioner appointed for that purpose, offer for sale, on the premises, the

TRACT OF LAND in the bill mentioned, containing about 15 ACRES, on which there is a comfortable Dwelling-house. The land is situated about four miles N. E. of McGaheya-ville, on the Swift Hun Gap road, and adjoins the lands of Col. Jos. Mauzy's heirs and others.

TERMS:—One-fourth cash, and the balance in three equal annual payments, with interest from date, taking from the purchaser bond with security, and retaining a lieu on the land for the deferred payments.

july27-4w ED. S. CONRAD, Comm'r.

POSTPONEMENT. The above sale will take place at 10 o'clock, a. m, on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1876.

aug 24-ts ED. S. CONRAD, Comm'r.

PUBLIC SALE OF A HOUSE AND LOT, IN McGAHEYSVILLE.

BY virtue of a decree rendered in the chancery cause of Lindamood vs. Lindamood, &c., I will, as Commissioner appointed for that purpose, offer for sale on the premises. On Saturday, 19th day of August, 1876,

On Saturday, 19th day of August, 1010, at 3 o'clock, P. M., the HOUSE AND LOT belonging to the estate of Samuel Lindamood, dee'd., situated in McGaheysville, Va., and known as the "Snyder lot." TERMS:—One-third cash, and the balance in two equal annual payments, with interest from date, taking from purchaser bond with personal security, and retaining a lion on the property for the deferred payments.

ED. S. CONRAD, intv27-4w july27-4w

POSTPONEMENT. The above sale has been postponed until WEDNES-DAY, SEPTEMBER 6th, 1876, at 2 o'clock P M. aug24-ts E. S. CONRAD, Comm'r.

DESIRABLE FARM FOR SALE. HAVE a very desirable Farm for sale, containing 174 Acres, situated in Augusta county, on Naked Creek, 3 miles from Weyer's Cave Depot on Valley Railroad. LARGE BRICK DWELLING, large Barn, and all nocessary out-buildings—all good. Two branches of Naked Creek run through the farm. A splendid OR-CHARD; good water at the door.

TERMS—One-third cash; the balance in four equal annual payments. For further particulars address—H. J. SHOWALTER.

Cowan's Station, Rockingham county. Va.

BUTTER TRADE

Good News to Butter-Makers! THE undersigned can sell any amount of fine, Spring-house, Butter, (from 1000 to 5000 pounds a week) just such as a great many people of this county can and do make, for the price of the finest New

York, which stands at the head of all other makes in all the markets of the United States for price. THIS WONDERFUL ACHIEVEMENT has been arrived at by untiring labor, heavy cost and many difficulties; but we have at last proven what we believed years ago could be done, and to-day we are able to state of a truth, for the information of the Butter producers, not only of this section, (the most of whose Butter we are now handling,) but of this county that

We are prepared to handle even five to ten times as much as we are now getting, with even more advantage to ourselves and customers than we have done. The larger the bulk we handle, and the fresher the article is when delivered to us, the more we can get for it.

ALL BUTTER-MAKERS in this whole country are respectfully requested to bring us a lot, if they have not already done so, and see for themselves that We pay from 331 to 663 per cent. More

We Sell Goods Quite as Cheap, and keep as large and as new and as desirable a stock of goods as any one in the county. Why, we even can and do Give more in Cash

This difference was established over the dealers some months ago, and in vain do they strive to Mis-riev the plain truth; for day after day new customers are calling on us and establishing business intercourse with us, and receiving the price for their Butter so highly advantageous, over what the great majority of the would-be Butter bealers can or will give. By bringing your butter to us you got the benefit of our reputation as shippers in the market, and of the 5 to 7 cents per pound more than the other deal-

COME ONE! COME ALL! and if we have not hands enough to wait on you we will hire some more, and if our stock thins out rapidly we can and will replenish it as fast.

Linville, Va., Aug. 3, 1876. IRGINIA, TO WIT.-In the Clerk's office of the Cir. day of August, A. D., 1876:

tion of his estate under direction and control of the Court.

And affidavit being made that the defendant, Michael Carrier, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, It is order of that he 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 his 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 Harrissonburg, 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. q.—aug24-4w County. Teste: Roller, p. q.—aug24-4w

SEND 25c. to G. P. ROWELL & CO., New York, for Pamphlet of 100 pages, containing lists of 3,000 newspapers, and estimates showing cost of advertis-

100 SACKS FINE SALT.
Choice Extra Flour, Pure Cider Vinegar, je 15.76. HENRY SHACKLETT.

Blacksmiths. Attention! O NE car load Blacksmith's COAL just received and

TREIBER & GASSMAN,

Advertising Rates:

I square, (ten lines of this type,) one insertion, \$1.00 each subsequent Insertion,..... one year, " six months,..... TEARLY ADVERTISEMENTS \$10 for the first square and PROFESSIONAL CARDS \$1.00 a line per year. For fit lines o less \$5 per year.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS the legal foe of \$5.00. SPECIAL OF LOCAL NOTICES 15 cents per line. Large advertisements taken upon contract. All advertising bills due in advance. Yearly advertisers discontinuing before the close of the year, wil be charged transient rates.

Job Printing. We are prepared to do Job Printing of all kinds at

Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Valley Branch. GOING EAST: GOING WEST: Valley Railroad.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

JOURNALISTIC ENTERPRISE. - In to day's issue appears another large amount of telegraphic news from various parts of this country and Europe. We have made arrangements to secure news by telegraph on Wednesdays, and will hereafter, as last and this week, furnish our readers with the latest news up to the hour of going to press. To do this costs a considerable outlay of money, and we hope our efforts will be duly appreciated by our readers. The COMMONWEALTH gives the news of the day here from ten to twelve hours earlier than either the Baltimore, Washington or Richmond papers, and is the only local paper in Virginia that receives and publishes telegraphic news.

HARRISONBURG AND FREDERICKSCURG RAILROAD.—The work of narrowing the grade of this road from Parker's to Fredericksburg was completed on Friday last. On Saturday four flats and four box cars for the road arrived at Fredericksburg. The engine was notreceived, owing to some difficulty in getting it through the tunnel under Baltimore city, it being too high when

Two passenger cars and a passenger engine belonging to the Royal Land Company, who own the road, were destroyed by fire yesterday a week ago, when near Baltimore, whilst on their way to Fredericsburg. On account of this accident the excursion over the completed portion of the road did not come off on Monday last, as was announced.

A meeting in the interest of the road was held at Orange Court House on Monday last, but up to the hour of going to press we have not learned the results. It was held to get Orange county to give the right of way through its territory.

EXTENSIVE THEFTS .- Officer Williams arrested Jim Goodloe, colored, on Monday, who has proven himself to be a thief of Ino mean pretensions. M. Y. Partlow having missed sumdry articles from his warehouse, now occupied by W. C. Graham, where he had them stored, suspected Jim of having stolen them. He charged it upon him, and Jim invited him to his house on German street to search for them. Mr. Partlew accepted the invitation, and in Jim's garret found spades, shovels, a pistol, ham boiler, teakettle and other articles belonging to him. Whilst the search was being conducted, a crowd gathered around the premises, among whom were a number of parties who had lost various articles of wearing apparel, household and kitchen furniture, &c. During the investigation into the heaps of goods Jim had stored away, were found articles belonging to J. H. Wartmann, Chas. W. Fellows, J. A. Loewenbach, Emanuel Royer and J. H. Funkhous-

On Tuesday morning Jim was taken before Mayor Hyde, who committed him to await the action of the Grand Jury at the next term of the County Court.

THE EXCURSION.—On to-morrow, Fri- Col. Barbee were declared elected. day, September 1st, the Red Men's excursion to Staunton, over the Valley Railroad will take place. Tickets will be good for any train on Friday and return on Saturday or even later if desired. This presents a favorable opportunity to those who desire to attend the Conservative Congressional Convention at reduced rates, as the price of the tickets will be but fare one way, \$1.05. We hope to see a large number present from town and country, as none need remain away because of Railroad fare, at least. Tickets can be had at the Depot of the Valley R. R. agent, or of J. M. Wellman, committee upon the part of the Red Men. Secure your tickets at once, as only a limited number have been provided.

PRIMARY MEETINGS.

The County Divided between Harris and

We stated in these columns last week that two districts would go for Harris and two for O'Ferrall, leaving the contest in Central as to who would have a majority of the delegates. The returns from the districts proves that our estimate of the strength of the two aspirants correct. Plains and Ashby districts selected Harris delegates and and Linville and Stonewall O'Ferrall delegates, whilst the vote in Central, where a regular election was held, was a tie, each ticket receiving 187 votes. On the Harris ticket were W. H. Ritenour and Geo. P. Burtner for delegates. and Geo. S. Christie and Geo. Chrisman for Alternates. On the O'Ferrall ticket were Pendleton Bryan and Jas. C. Heltzell for Delegates, and F. A. Daingerfield and Robert Eastham for Alternates. In Central District it has been decided that O'Ferrall and Harris shall each have a delegate-Pendleton Bryan for O'Ferrall, and W. H. Ritenour for Harris.

LINVILLE DISTRICT. EDOM, Aug. 26, 1876. At a meeting of the Democratic vo: ters of Linville District, for the purpose of sending delegates to the Congressional Convention at Staunton, Sept. 1, Jasper Hawse was called to the chair and Jno. D. Pennybacker appointed Secretery. The following were appointed Delegates: Chas. P. Brock and Juo. D. Pennybacker. Alternate;-Moses Armentrout and - Kratzer. The following resolution was offered by Jno. D. Pennybacker and unanimously adopted

Resolved, That the Democrats of Linville District most heartily endorse the nomination of Tilden and Hendricks by the great Democratic Reform party at St. Louis, and as, in case they be elected, they will need the co-operation of an honest and incorruptible Congress, we desire for our Representative a man of purity and patriotism, and above all one whose private and public record is like Cæsar's wife above suspicion-a worthy successor of honest John Letcher, the watch dog of the treasury.

A vote of preference between Hon. J. T. Harris and Judge Chas. T. O'Ferrall resulted: O'Ferrall 37, Harris 28. Delegates are thus instructed.

JASPER HAWSE, Chairman. J. D. PENNYBACKER, Secretary. STONEWALL DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the Conservative voters of Stonewall District, held at McGaheysville, on the 26th of August, on motion of Dr. S. P. H. Miller, J. C. Walker was called to the Chair and J. A. Hammon chosen Secretary.

The Chair explained the object of

the meeting to be the selection of Delegates to the Congressional Convention to be held in Staunton, on the fist day of September.

On motion of G. E. Sipe, James W. Blair and B. F. Thomas were put in nomination. And on motion of J. B. Eastham, Dr. T. N. Sellers and H. B. The Chair appointed Joseph H. Kite

and Capt. Wm. B. Yancey as tellers to count the vote. Two lines were formed. and the vote announced by the tellers was for J. W. Blair and B. F. Thomas 112, and for Dr. Sellers and H. B. Harnsberger 100, and James W. Blair and B. F. Thomas were declared Delegates.

On motion of J. B. Eastham it was Resolved, That the Delegates appointed be authorized and empowered to appoint their alternates, in case they or either of them be prevented from attending. Whereupon B. F. Thomas named J. L. Bocock as his alternate, and James W. Blair named A. C. Walker as his alternate.

On motion of Dr. S. P. H. Miller the meeting heartily endorsed the nomination of Tilden and Hendricks, and this meeting pledge themselves to support the nominee of the Staunton Convention for Congress.

On motion of G. E. Sipe it was Resolved, That the Delegates appointed to the Congressional Convention be instructed to use their influence in behalf of C. T. O'Ferrall, and if they find that he cannot be nominated to use their discretion in selecting from the names that will be before the Convention.

On motion it was resolved that the proceedings of this meeting be forwarded to the county papers for publication, which publication will be the credentials to the Delegates.

J. C. WALKER, Chairman. J. A. Hammon, Secretary.

ASHBY DISTRICT. At a primary meeting of the citizens of Ashby District, held in Mt. Crawford on Saturday, August 26th, 1876, Rev. Jos. S. Loose was elected Chairman and Drs. T. H. B. Brown, of Bridgewater, and George W. McFarland, of Dayton, were elected Secretaries.

The Chairman stated the object of the meeting to be for the purpose of electing two delegates to represent the people of this District in the Congres sional Convention to be held in Staunton on the 1st of September.

Dr. J. B. Webb, of Cross Keys, Col. G. T. Barbee, of Bridgewater, Capt. P. Paul, of Ottobine, and Mr. C. Miller, of Mt. Crawford, were placed in nomination, and a vote was taken with the following result: Dr. J. B. Webb and Col. G. T. Barbee 150, Capt. P. Paul and Mr. C. Miller 114. Dr. Webb and

On motion the delegates elect were authorized to appoint their alternates. Dr. Webb appointed Mr. James R. Kemper, of Cross Keys, and Col. Barbee appointed Dr. T. H. B. Brown, of Bridgewater.

On motion of Col. Armstrong, the Secretaries were instructed to furnish a copy of the proceedings of the meeting to each of the county papers with a request that they be published. On motion the meeting adjourned

PLAINS DISTRICT.

The following are the Delegates and Alternates elected in Plains District. Delegates-D. Bean and M. J. Martz. Alternates-Gilbert Williamson and Peter Rader.

To-morrow is the first day of the Fall of the year.

BREVITIES.

Old John Robinson's circus will exhibit at Staunton on Monday next.

The 7th district Congressional Convention meet at Staunton to-morrow. A match game of base ball will be played

at Pleasant Valley on Saturday next. Charlottesville is happy. It is to have a post road to Stanardsville, in Greene county:

Mrs. Bryan's school for girls will reopen September 11th. Only twelve pupils will

A meeting of the stockholders of Rawley Springs will be held at the Springs on Friday, October 6th. Judge John W. Ashby has been appoint-

ed Commonwealth's Attorney for Page county, vice R. S. Parks. The Red Men's excursion to Staunton takes place to-morrow, Round trip tickets \$1.05.

It is open to "pale faces" also. Staunton has lost its oldest landmark-a house 127 years old. In 127 years Staunton has grown to be a place of six or seven thou-

Mr. J. M. Propes, mail contractor from this place to the Shenandoah Iron Works, is now carrying the mail in a handsome sulkey, and makes all the offices on better time than

The Centenrial excursion from the Valley of Virginia will start next Monday from Staunton, the B. & O. R. R. having made arrangements with the Valley road to run the excursion train over its road.

The historian of the "State of Pendleton" in his sketch of that county, mentions Edmand Pendleton, after whom the county was named, as "distinguished alike for his legal lore and the equipoise of his judicial bal-

A large meeting of the Tilden and Hendricks Reform Club of Harrisonburg was held on Monday night last. A number of new names were added to the roll, and able speeches were made by Col. U. L. Boyce, of Clarke county, and Jacob N. Liggett, Esq.

MORE !- Full of work but room for MORE. Send in your old coats, pants and vests, and overcoats, and have them put in order for the approaching fall and winter season. HARPER-German street, opposite the jail -will clean and press them, and they will look almost like new. Try it. You will be surprised. MORE!

THE GREAT CENTENNIAL EXCURSION .-The special excursion train from the Valley of Virginia to Philadelphia will temper 4th, and will run through to Philadelphia the same day. The arrangements to make it a success seem to be complete, and on account of the low fare for the round trip, and the number of days allowed, there is no doubt that a very large number will avail themselves of the opportunity to visit the greatest international exhibition the world ever saw.

In our advertising columns will be found the running time of the train and other information concerning the excursion. It will be seen that those who go can return at their convenience within ten days, on any train.

FIVE DOLLARS AND COSTS.—Officer Williams arrested Jim Hughes colored. on Tuesday for assaulting Charles Fawsett. These boys had a difficulty some weeks ago and Hughes received a thrashing at the hands of Fawsett. Ou Tuesday as Fawsett was riding through Newtown-a suburb of Harrisonburg-Hughes assaulted him with rocks, one hitting him on the head and knocking him off his horse. Hughes was taken before the Mayor and was fined five dollars and costs, which his father paid.

BURGLARY AT RIVER BANK .- On Monday last Harvey Letterbury and Henry Williams, both colored, were brought to town and lodged in jail by Constable T. J. Weaver. They were tried before Justice A. Argabright, and their committment directed their retention to answer the charge at the County Court of burglariously entering on the nights of July 23rd and August 2d the store and dwelling of E. L. Lambert & Co., at River Bank, and taking therefrom sundry goods and merchandise.

IMPROVEMENT.-Judge Hugh W. Sheffey, Counsel of the Valley Railroad, directed the Catholic congregation of this town to build a stone wall between their Church and the railroad. In giving the notice Judge Sheffey very kindly offered to bear the expense and told the Congregation to do the work at once and draw on him for its cost. Work on the wall has already been commenced.

REDUCTION OF TELEGRAPH RATES .-The Virginia Telegraph Co., under its new management, has taken a step in the right direction, by ordering a reduction of tolls, averaging over thirty per cent. The line is being put in thorough repair, so that hereafter the public will have the benefit of low prices and reliable communication.

It is well enough to bear in mind that the Radical Senate refused to reduce the President's salary from \$50,-000 to \$25,000. The House voted to reduce the pay of Congressmen ten per cent. the same as the other officials. but the Senate refused to agree to any reduction of the salary of members of Congress. In all things the Senate was opposed to reducing expenditures. -Pittsburg Post.

Hon. C. R. Thomas, of Newbern, N. C., ex-judge of the Craven district, has renounced his allegiance to the republican party, and says that he will vote for Tilden.

in obedience to orders from Peking.

LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM CUB RUN.

August 25, 1876. DEAR OLD COMMONWEALTH :- I have been a reader of your columns for several years, and I have seen letters representing every portion of the county with the single exception of this part, which is watered by Cub Run. Not desiring to let this portion sink into oblivion, I will endeavor to give you a brief history of it by describing to you the course of the stream, romantic scenery and the enterprising and patriotic The above-named stream exudes from the

Massavutten about three miles north of Keez etown and flows in a southern direction, parallel with the mountain until it reaches the southern extremity, where it changes its course and flows in a southeastern direction through a well-cultivated region, and empties into the broad bosom of the rolling Shenandoah about three miles south-east of McGaheysville. If we were to follow its course from its source to its mouth, the first few miles where it winds through the mountain would inspire our mind with awe at the romantic scenery it presents. It glides stealthfully along beneath the shade of the Massanutten, who raises her lofty head among the clouds and seems to exclaim. "I am queen of the valley and the waters which I discharge are the purest and the best." If we but lift our eyes from the limpid waters, which roll over the huge rocks and break the still silence of the forest with their rippling noise, and gaze through the opening made by the vibrations of the majestic oak, until our eyes rest upon the highest pinnacle of that towering mountain, our mind is filled with sublime emotions. From thence, lowering our line of vision until it rests on those rugged clifts and massive heaps of rocks lying folded within the strong arms of the mountain, our mind is thrilled with the picturesque. But again reviewing the little flower which nature has so delicately painted, that stands by our feet and nurished by the cool waters that flow out from the hills, we are impressed with the beautiful. After this magnificent stream leaves the mountain its borders enlarge and it becomes attractive to the farmer, and continues so to grow until it reaches the Shenandoah. The scenery is not only sublime and the land fertile, but the people are industrious, hard working and economizing. A great number of them have resolved to adopt the old Pennsylvania mode of farming-that is, not put out any more than you can work well. One of our energetic and enterprising young farmers, start on Monday morning next, Sep- Mr. G. R. Nicholas, prepared about six acres of land last fall, sowed with Fultz wheat and realized thirty-two bushels per acre. Farmers, emulate him, and we will recuper ate from this prostrate condition. We are also convinced of the fact that when we have farms and property to defend we must have a law to defend it. Therefore on the 4th day of next November we will unanimously rush to the polls and hand in our tickets for Samuel J. Tilden and Thomas A. Hendricks for the Presidency, and Judge

FROM BRIDGEWATER.

G. N. E.

Chas. T. O'Ferrall for Congress. Adieu.

ALL GONE -The Normal School has closed its Summer session and all the students have gone, and Bridgewater forcibly reminds us of Goldsmith's Deserted Village. But, as the Winter School will commence on the 11th of September, we will not be long left without a bevy of young ladies and gentlemen, who are so eager to scale the topmost pinacle of the temple of fame and knowledge.

POLITICAL.-We went over to the Capitol of this District on last Saturday to attend the primary convention. When we arrived we found quite a large number of the sovererigns assembled, each of whom was warmly advocating the claims of his particular favorite. Judge J. T. Harris and Col. Chas. T. O'Ferrail were both well represented, but the choice of delegates to the Staunton Convention resulted in the selection of strong Harris men. See proceedings in another col-

GOING TO LEAVE .- Our genial, amiable gentlemanly and talented young friend and fellow citizen Mr. Jas. McDowell Adair has decided to sever his business and social relations with the citizens of Bridgewater and launch his boat on the Mercantile sea in the town of Lexington, Va. We have known Mr. Adair intimately for quite a number of years and must say that a more upright, correct and honorable gentleman it has not been our privilege to be acquainted with. and say to Lexington that our loss is your

You have our sincere and heartfult wishes for your success, Mac, and ween you decide to sever your connection with bachelorhood may Mrs. Mac. be all that your fancy may paint her, and the little Macs. tumble over chairs and down steps to your heart's con-

RAILROAD.—Our citizens are wearing proad grins at the prospect of soon being connected with the outside world by iron rails. We learn that the Narrow Gauge Company wili proceed at once to lay the track on their road from Harrisonburg to this point and continue it as far as the Coal Felds .-When it is completed we expect to visit Harrisonburg.

FROM STANARDSVILLE.

August 28th, 1876. DEAR COMMONWEALTH :-- All of us, "Bonaparte" included, in this good old county, have just been having a good time; and a good many ladies and gentlemen from adjoining counties have been joining us in our festivities. The boys not being satisfied, and thinking they could have a better time in the shape of a tournament, announced the fact a week or so ago that on Friday, the 25th inst., they would have a grand tournament and basket pic-nic near Stanardsville. Early Friday morning the chivalrous and gallant knights were to be seen gathering upon the level plain with lance in hand, in order to try the speed of their fratful steeds before the tilting begun.

Promptly at 9 o'clock the knights placed themselves under the charge of J. T. Bray, Esq., and Dr. J. G. Stephens, who marshalled them off to a piece of woods hard by, where each one put on a pretty face, a red cap and sash, and then were marched back abreast, with the eye to the left, to the judge's stand where they received their first impressive and fearless charge from Wm. P. Shipp.

After the charge was delivered the knights galloped down the track to the starting point, and after a fellow yelled out "all rings up," the Knight of "Will if I can" was called out and dashed up the track. He might have Chinese advices report that the Gov- had a good deal of the "will." but he didn't ernor of Yunnan has committed suicide | display much of the "can," for he only went through two rings. And then each succeed.

ing Knight was called, until twenty-one had entered, but only four came out, and they were somewhat scattered. But we guess it

was on account of the unexpected shower that fell in crystal drops for at least an hour. The Knights were not the only ones though that scattered, but were joined by the Queen and all her Maids and a good many others. The tilting was over at 2 o'clock, and the crowd assembled at Capt. McMullen's school

house, where the coronation took place, Capt. F. M. McMullen delivered the coro ation address in a an attractive and pleasant manner. Suffice these words to convey an idea of his remarks : "it was truth dwelling in beauty."

B. W. Munday carried off the first honor. and crowned Miss Annie Lee McMullen as Queen of Love and Beauty. Mr. O. W. Blakey won the 2nd honor, and crowned Miss Jennie Crow as first Maid to her Royal Majesty; Mr. John Douglas 3rd honor, which was conferred upon Miss Ella McMullen, and Mr. M. M. Jarman, of Rockingham, came in fourth, and chose Miss Ada S. Durrett as fourth Maid to the Queen's Highness.

After the coronation was finished the tables were spread with edibles of all descriptions, and all ate and ate until they could eat no more.

At night the exercises were resumed at the residence of Mr. Wm. P. Shipp, where all the elite of the occasion engaged in the grand ball until night lingered in the bosom

A great many pretty girls were upon the ground to witness the riding; but Greene beauty is too well known to many of the young gentlemen of Rockingham to need any comment from us, and if we did pay any handsome tribute to her fair daughters it might be the means of blasting the hopes of some of Greene's noble sons, therefore we forbear mentioning their names, as it might cause new suitors to pour in.

Nothing occurred during the day or night to mar the enjoyment of any one, but all appeared to be pleased, which reflects well upon the managers and the young men of

GOOD TOBACCO.-The best tobacco we have seen this year was on the farm of Messrs. Yancey & Junius Garth, three miles west of this place. They have out about five acres, and if it is not injured by storms they will make at least \$600 off of the five acres. Can Rockingham beat this? Judge Beazly also has about seven acres of excellent tobacco but as a general thing the crop is light.

DIED .- On Tuesday morning last, of typhoid fever, John Hedrick, son of Richard Hedrick, Esq., formerly of Rockingham, aged 17 years. He lingered about two weeks, when God sent his messenger to bear his soul to a celestial home beyond the skies. His youthful, but strictly moral, paths in

this county passed almost by the golden gates of periection, and therefore won for him the love and respect of all his associates. And the greatest consolation he left to his father and mother, is that he was sure he was going to meet a just and true God.

We leave Greene this week, with Bonaparte, probably to never again return. 'Tis sad to us, 'tis sad to Bonaparte, to take up our line of march from the hospitable homes of the good people of Greene. But before we close, one word to J. E. B. If we never again meet in Greene, why let's try and 'pos. sum in at the-, well you know where you took us. To the people of Oakland Grove, member we have not forgotten you all. is hard to say the word, but farewell.

"BONAPARTE'S" RIDER.

FROM INGLEWOOD. August 24th, 1876. EDITOR COMMONWEALTH :- On Wednesday, the 23rd inst., we saddled our beast and started en route for the vicinity of Mt. Crawford. The morning was sultry, and the sky was overshadowed by murky, black looking clouds, which hung heavily upon the summits of the mountains, portending abundant rain, and our prospects for a "soaking" seemed very flattering. However, we rode on ruminating-our train of thoughts at times being far from wise-and admiring the splendid crops of corn that hailed our sights. Toward the hour of noon the Day-God shone forth, and involuntarity we began to whistle, but our joy was soon turned to sorrow, for in a few minutes it was raining magnificently. Nevertheless we reached Harrisonburg about 1 P. M. Having refreshed ourself with a few hours rest, and a glass of sparkling soda water from the fountain at the Juventas Depot, we again resumed our journey. After about two hours ride we reined up at the gate of Mr. James Huffman, where we were cordially received and hospitably cared for. Mr. Huffman lives 14 miles South of Bridgewater, on South River, where he has purchased a farm, and is now in a prospering condition. He is a gentlemen of great genious and courage, and we sincerely thank him for kindnesses which can never be repaid.-While in the neighborhood, we learned that WEALTH'S correspondent, and asserts that we a public examination of teachers was being have the "mikes at regular intervals." We had at Bridgewater. As we had never exhave no doubt he has been there himself, as perienced that trying ordeal, we concluded he seems to be familiar with the word. to try our "spunk." So we arrived at the However, we accept the accusation, and scene of action about 8 A. M. Procuring a place it alongside of his list of borrowed couple of sheets of foolscap, we "pitched in." thunder. We crave pardon, Mr. Editor, for The first thing that met our astonished gaze consuming so much space in your paper, but felt ourself compelled to reply to this un-called for attack upon us. However, it is the was a large blackboard filled with mathematical problems. We sharpened our pennature of some animals to nose about and cil and "went for 'em," and after four or five perhaps we are wrong to censure them for being as nature made them—officious. hours hard application we succeeding in solving the last one, at least to our own satisfaction. Next in order was an analytical and parsing exercise in English grammar, which, though long, was not difficult. Then came a geographical test. Now, we are little rusty in georgraphy, and some of the questions made us scratch our head. On the

whole, we thought it a most rigid examina-We finished up about six o'clock, neither ourself nor horse having eaten anything since morning, so having recuperated ourself with some crackers, and our horse with some

oats, we started homeward. The route of the Orange Court House and Fredericksburg Railroad has been surveyed through this section this week, and the people of East Rockingham look forward to its completion with eager expectations. It will no doubt build up new industries, develop resources, now latent, which will prove sources of wealth to this and the adjoining

Rev. Mr. Strotlfer has been conducting a revival at River Bank for several weeks past. About forty having been converted, and there are still several penitents. TRANSIENT.

Ben. Wilson has been renominated

for Congress from the first district of West Virginia by the democrats. In Favette county, Ala., there are but eight white republican, and seven of these are office-holders.

"Jop" to "Avalanche."

BRIDGEWATER, Aug. 29th, 1878 EDITOR: COMMONWEALTH: Sir-There appeared week before last in the columns of the "Register" a letter from the "Register's" correspondent at this place, under the name of "Avalanch," in which an attach was made upon the ('OMMONWEALTH'S correspondent of this town. We deemed it proper to reply to"'Avalanch" through the same medium in which the assault was made. We did so, and submitted our letter to the "Register" for publication, expecting it to appear in last week's issue of the "Register." But great was our surprise to find it omitted, for what cause we are enable to say, unless the "Register" purposes to hit us a side wipe through its correspon lents, and then protect their pet scribes by refusing to publish our reply. If this is the "Register's" game we throw down the gauntlet, assume the defensive and meet him in our own territory. The following is my letter rejected by the "Register" last week.

BRIDGEWATER, Aug. 22nd, 1876. EDITOR REGISTER : Sir-It has been our privilege and pleasure for some time past to be a regular correspondent of the OLD COM-MONWELTH, a pleasure that we have never denied ourselves when anything of sufficient importance transpired to interest the public, We have never failed to announce it either by letter or "local brevities." but for the last few weeks our town has been unusually dull, so far as items of news went. We noticed in your last issue a letter from our town signed "Avalanche," in which a glowing description was given of the COMMON-WEALTH correspondent of this place, and various were his conjectures as to our silence. We do not class ourself, Mr. Editor, in the "Avalanche" list of pittiful penny contributors to the press; neither are we of that stripe of newspaper writers whose vitiated taste render them incapable of communicating anything other than the most common everyday occurances. When we have nothing to offer that would interest readers, and be worthy of a place in the COMMONWEALTH, we prefer remaining silent to throwing together a letter for the press that contains neither merit, news or sense, as was the case of your Bridgewater correspondent's letter under the non de plume of 'Avalanche." We must confess the force of meaning it contained, for, no doubt, it fell like an "Avalanche" of ignorance upon the readers of your paper. He reminds me very forcibly of an elated monkey, so nimbly does he skip from topic to topic, and one would suppose that, in his own estimation, he imagined himself a lineal descendant of the House of Solomon, with all the knowledge of departed centures and the experience of ong buried nations centered in his rushing "Avalanche" like brain. He is honest enough to acknowledge "that though your paper has found its way into his sanctum for lo, these many years," that he has never contributed anything of interest to your paper. His first, last and only letter. Mr. Editor, is a splendid specimen of his intrinsic worth to your paper. If "lo these many years" had not passed over his head I should say that he is destined to take his place among the brightest stars in the editorial fraternity. It is indeed to be regretted that he has isolated himself for "lo these many years." The literary world has been robbed of one of its most dazzling Dr. B-s, Stanardsville, and one and all, if jewels for "lo these many years." How un fortunate for so deserving an aspirant that he should have remained in obscurity for "lo these many years," thus throwing away that chaplet of glory which, in honor of his talents, would have been woven around the urn of his memory, while his "body lied mouldering in the grave, and his soul went marching on." It is strange, Mr. Editor, that you should not have discovered earlier, and singled out from your list of second-handed readers this bashful contributor, this Centenrial wonder in disguise, who has been waiting "lo these many years," perhaps since the last Centennial, to paralize the minds of your readers in his sudden and relentless "grand entree." I congratulate you upon the able addition you have made to your list of correspondents under the name of "Avalanch." His productions will enhance the value of your paper one hundred per cent. His style is grandly awkward, and his discriptive powers are such as would scarcely satisfy the appetite of a calf, whose countenance he seems to be familiar with, and from his bleat we would suppose that he had partaken somewhat of the calf's nature. It is evident that he wanted to administer to his vanity by offering his letter for publication in order to see how it would look in print. Your able contributor, "Avalanche," reminds me of some pompous cock of lusty lungs and gesticulative wings, greedy as a member of the 44th Congress to get his share of Fortune's crumbs, and equally ambitious to be heard with aquiescent wonder when crowing to his feathered fellow-citizens of the barn-yard. The rushing "Avalanch" is quite complimentary to us, the COMMON-

> Dr. JAMES B. BLANTON, Master of State Grange Patrons of Husbandry, will deliver an address to the public, at the Court House in Harrisonburg, on Monday, Sept. 11, 1876. M. M. SIBERT, Sec'ry.

> > MARRIED.

August 17th, 1876, near Melrose, by Rev. Jos. Holomb, John C. Raudol and Amanda C. Pirkey. August 24th, near Shenandoah Iron Works, by Rev Geo. B. Alien, Daniel D. Dovel and Mary J. Harlow, August 24th, by Rev. J. C. Hensell, near Weyer Cave Station, Jos. E. Crickenbarger and Miss Virgini S., daughter of John Ruebush, Esq., all of Augusta of At the Baptist Church, in this place, on Wednesday morning last, August 30, by Rev. Wm. A. Whitescar-ver, J. Clay Staples and Miss Emma N. S., daughter of Wm. Devier, dec'd,—all of this place.

DIED.

In Staunton, August 26, of congestion of the lungs, John S. Moorman, son of the late Dr. E. G. Moorman, ged about 40 years.

aged about 40 years.

In McGabeysville, on Monday, August 28th, after a lingering illness of gangrene of the lungs, Miss Maria J. Roberts, aged 46 years, 2 months and 2 days.

For a number of years she had been a member of the M. E. Church, and when asked if she thought her future bright, remarked it was "perfect sunshine." Her remains were interred in the McGabeysville Cemetery, on Tuesday evening last, in the presence of a large number of friends.

On Sunday last, August 27th. after a brief illness. George L., infant son of Robert H. and Susan R. Gilmer, aged 16 months and 23 days. This interesting child died at the residence of his father, near Eichmond, in Henrico county, Va., and was brought to this place, the former home of his parents, for burial, and was interred in Woodbine Cemetery on Tuesday evening. The attending physician pronounced his affliction to be gangrene, which only made its appearance was so slight as not to stract midch attention, but on Sunday the little sufferer appeared to be in great pain, and suddenly and unexpectedly about five of clock, p. m., breathed his last. The parents have the sincere symmathy of the people of this community in

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IN CHANCERY. The object of this suit is to obtain a settlement of the administration account of the estate of George Epard, dec'd; to ascertain the liabilities, if any, of the estate, and to obtain an order for the proper distribution of the assets of the estate.

And affidavit being made that the defendants, Wesley Epard, James Meadows and Sarah his wife, Andrew J. Epard, John W. Epard, William G. Epard and Arminta Epard, are non-residents of the State of Virginia.

Arminta Epard, 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 Plantiff'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 another copy thereof posted at the front door of the Count-House of this county, on the first day of the next term of the County Court of said County.

Teste:

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Hans & Patterson, p. q.

TIRGINIA, TO-WIT:-In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, on the 2nd day of August, A. D., 1876;
James F. Lowman, who sues on behalf of himself and all other creditors of John C Coakley, decid, who will come in and contribute to the costs of this suit.

Vs. Complis

O. H. Ralston, S. R. C., and as such admr. of John C. Coakley, dec'd, Sasan Coakley, widow of John C. Coakley, dec'd, Daniel L. Coakley, dow of John C. Coakley, dec'd, Daniel L. Coakley, John W. Coakley, Charles Coakley, Elizabeth F. Coakley, Samuel Nair, and Mary A. his wife, David Fairburn and Martha his wife. — Lam-and Sarah C. his wife formerly Sarah G. Coakley.

The objects of this suit are to obtain a settlement of the estate of John C. Coakley, dec'd, a decree for the sale of the real estate of which said John C. Coakley died seized, consisting of 12 acres and 34 poles of land lying near Mole Hill, Rockingham county, and to have paid out of the proceeds of sale a debt due the plaintiff, James F. Lownian, for \$150.77, with interest thereon from the — day of —, 185—, ond \$1.80 costs on various judgments rendered by a Justice.

And affidavit being made that the defendants, Daniel L. Coakley and John W. Coakley, are non-residents of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that they do appear here within one mount 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 he 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. Paul, p. q.—auglo-4w D. H. Ralston, S. R. C., and as such admr. of Jo

PERRY LONG, Sarah F. Heatwole and Jacob Heat wole, administrator of Henry G. Heatwole, decid wole, administrator of Henry & Heatwood, New Ay, Vs.

Senjamin E. Long, administrator C. T. A. of John B. Long, dec'd, William Long and Eliza A. Long, widow of John B. Dong, dec'd, M. Harvey Ffinger, Daniel Bowman, John Long and Samuel Bowley and Control Bowle

Given under my hand as Commissioner this the day and year, first aforesaid. Paul, p.q.—aug104w A. M. NEWMAN, Com. COMMISSIONER'S NOFICE:

COMMISSIONER'S NOFICE:

(EO. W. FUTZLER, vs. Ac. An Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham. [Extract from decree of June 10, 1876.]

"The Court doth further order and decree that a master Commissioner of this Court do restate the account of debts and liess against the real estate in controversy, reporting only such debts as may be again properly proven before him, and be accompanied by an affidarit from the parties holding said claims that they remain unpaid. In taking such account notice by order of publication shall be equivalent to person al service, and the said notice shall state the requirements of this decree as to said claims."

To all parties to the above-named cause and all others interested: Take Notice.—I have fixed on Saturday, the 9th day of September. 1876, at my office in Harrisonburg as the time and place of taking the account required by the foregoing decree, at which time and place you are required to attend and take extre of your respective interests in the premises.

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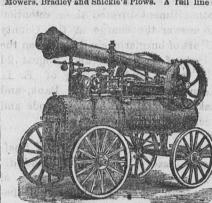
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Alexandria 5 00 p. m.; arrive at Front Royal 9 35 p. m.,
Leave Front Royal 3 30 s. m., arrive at Alexandria; 7 so
a. m., and at Washington 8 30 a. m. Good connection
at Manassas Junction with Mail to and from the South.
Leave Front Royal in the morning, go to any point on
main line as far as Charlottesville, and return to Front
Royal same day, giving many hours' stay at Warrenton, Calepeper, &c.

MANASSA DIVISION.

Mail Train—Passengers leave Washington 8 20 a. m.,
Alexandria 3 50 a. m., and arrive at Strasburg 4 50 p.
m. Leave Strasburg 6 35 a. m., arrive at Alexandria
3 30 p. m. ACCOMMODATION TRAIN.

30 p. m.

WARRENTON BRANCH.

Connection to and from Warrenton with Mail Train only.

At Washington, close connections with North and West. At Danville twice daily, with South and Southwest; and at Lynchburg, twice daily, to South and West.

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Elegant Parlor Cars will be ren with the day trains, between Faltimore and the White Sulphur Springs, leaving Baltimore at 6.25 a.m.

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Centennial Excursion Tickets to Philadelphia or

Valley Railroad.

ON and after Monday, July 17th, 1876, Trains will run as follows: EAST Leave Harrisonburg, ... 9.69 A. M.

"Pleasant Valley, ... 9.20 ...

"Mt. Crawford, ... 9.35 ...

"Weyer's Cave, ... 9.55 ...

"Mt. Sidne, ...

Valley Railroad.

TWO DAILY LINES (SENDAYS EXCEPTED) To Weyer's Cave and Cave of Fonntains. Passengers can leave Harrisonburg in the morning pend the day at the Caves, and return the same day or, leave Harrisonburg in the evening, remain at the Caves over night, and return the next day. Any

Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad.

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"Weyer's Cave. 6.57 "
"Mt. Crawford. 7.14 "
"Pleasant Valley. 7.28 "
#frive st Harrisonburg. 7.45 "

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ON and after May 21st, 1876, Passenger Trains will run as follows:

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Huntington and Alleghany, and at Covington, Millboro', Goshen, Waynesboro, Greenwood, Mechanna
River, Ivy, Charlottesville, Gordonsville Janetin and
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" Mill Brook, 10.47 " "
Arrive as Staunton, 11.00 " "