TEGAL CATT IRGINIA, TO-WIT: In the Clerk's Office of the

in trade under the firm name and style of Long, Bowman & Co., John E., Roller, Trustee, George Reherd, William Reherd administrator of Lewis Reherd, dec'd, Andrew E. Heneberger, Jacob Ehrman, John Earman, John E., Reller assignes in bankruptcy of George Messersmith. Peter Reherd, J. N. Gordon, H. F. Ritchie, Samuel A. Long executor of John Long, sen., Cab'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, Ritza Strayer, Clara Strayer, Adelaide Strayer, and others, the unknown creditors of Long & Stinespring, Long & Heller, and B. E. Long, who are under defendants as parties unknown, Defendants, IN CHANCERY.

IN CHANCERY.

The object of this suit is to have an execu 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 courter of the Court.

And affidavit being made that the defendant Jacob Ehrman is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and that the names of certain other defendants who are unade parties by the general name of the unknown creditors of Long & Stinespag, the unknown creditors of Long & Stinespag, the unknown creditors of Long & Stinespag, the unknown creditors of Long are unknown.

It is ordered that they de appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and answer the Plaintiff a bill of do what is necessary to protect their interests, and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successary to protect their interests, and another capy thereof posted at the Old, Commonwealth, a newspaper published in Harrisonburg. Va., and another capy 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:

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J. H. SHUE, C. C. C. R. C.

ACOB BYERLY, Administrator o ...C. Hoover, J. A. Haramen, late S. R. C., and as such administrator of Peter Brown, dee'd J. M. Brown, S. H. Brown, Josiah Faught and — Faught his wife, and Mrs. Kennedy, widow of — Kennedy,..... Defendants, In Chancery in Circuit Court of Rockingham.

Extract from descree in vacation, June 19th, 1875— "It is ordered that this cause be referred to Pendleton Bryan, one of the Counsilisting against the estate of Peter Brown, dee'd, and report the amount and value of the real estate of the said Peter Brown, dee'd, and the said Commissioner is directed to take such other accounts as may be required by either or any of the parties interested in the cause.

The parties to the above entitled cause, and all others laterested in the taking of the above required accounts, are hereby notified that I have fixed upon MCNDAY, THE 2m DAY OF OCTOBER, 1876, at my office in starrisonous g., Va., as the time and place of taking antil accounts, when and where they will attend and adownstate necessary to protect their respective interests.

Given under my hand as Commissions in Chance in Chan

Given under my huid as Commissioner in Chancery said Court, this 11th day of September, 1876, septit 32 PENDLETON BRYAN, C. C. Heas & Patterson, p. q.

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Jacob I. Distersud Anns Dinkel his wife, and Win. E. Stoller administrator of Josiah S. Boller. ... Defis. One of cet of this sait is to enforce the collection of a decree in flavor 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. Stoller is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, 11 is ordered, that he are appears here within one month after due publication of this order and answer the Mainfiff shift, or do what is necessary to protect his interest, and that a copy of this order he published once a week for four successive seeks in the Old Common wealth, a new paper published in Harrisonburg. Ve. 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.

J. H. SHUE, C. C. C. R. C. Roller, p. q.-aug314w COmplainant In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham.

Extract from Decree rendered on the 15th of July, 1876.—"On consideration whereof it is adjudged, ordered and decreed, that this cause be referred to a Master Commissioner with instructions to examine, state and settle the following accounts;

INL. An account of the real estate subject to the lieu of the complainant, its fee simple and annual neutal value: of the complainant, its fee simple and annual net tal value;

2d. An account of the liens against the same, and the order of their priorities;

3d. Any other account which any party in interest may require, or the Commissioner deam of importance. In taking the above accounts notice by publication shall be equivalent to personal service of notice."

All parties interested will take notice that I have fixed on MONDAY. THE 2nd DAY OF OCTOBER. 1870, at my office in Harrisonburg, as the time and place or taking said accounts, at which said time and place or on will attend and do what is necessary to protect your respective interests in the premises.

Given under my hand a four-missioner is Chancery, this off day of September, 1876, sept?-4w

PENDLETON BRYAN, C. C. Holler, p. q.

Julis A. Washington, Thomas Washington John Diller Trustee for Julis A. Washington, John K. Myers, and S. R. Allebrach, late S. R. L. and as, such Administrator of Jacob Amentront, decid, ..., Defta. In Chancery in Circuit Geart of Bockingham County, Thereofers devel at April Term, 1874 WOODSON'S Administrator, ... Complainan In Chancery in Circuit Genrt of Rockingham County.

Extract from Decree beddered at April Term, 1874:

"And this cause is refereded to a Commissioner of this Court to ascertain and report any liens on the 5s acres of land in the bill and proceedings mentioned."

The parties to the above entitled cause, and all others to be directed by the taking of the above accounts are hereby hollined that, I have fixed upon THURS-DAY. THE 5TR DAY of OCTOBER, 1875, at my office in Marrianburg: as the time and place of taking the same, when and where they will attend and do what is nesseasory to seacet their respective interests.

Given tander my hand as Commissioner in Cheacery of the Circuit Gourt of Rockingham, this 5th day of September, 1876;)

ENDALETON BRYAN, C. C. T. WH. B. COMPRES.

B. E. LINCOLN'S Administrator....Complains H. Relision, S. B. C., and as such administrator d. b. n. of James Mopkins, dec'd., Wm. R. Hopkins, Hannah J. Bare. Archicald Hopkins. J. Rickman and Josephine his wife. Elizabeth A. Hopkins, H. B. Harnaberger and M. Harvey Effinger... Defendants, All Chancery in Circuit Court of Rockingham.

Attract from decree rendered at May Term, 1876:—

"This cause is referred to one of the Commissioner of this Court to take an account of the amount of the Plaintiff's cisim, and any other claims or debts agains the estate of James Hopkins, dec'd, together with any other matters deemed pertinent, or specially required by any party interested."

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necessary to protect their respective interests.

Given under my hand, as Commissioner in Chancer of said Court, this 4th day of September 1876.

SEPTIME OF THE SERVICE OF Wil. B. Compton, p. Q. 1111 B ARMENTROUT

In chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham.

Extract from Decree rendered on the 6th day of August 1886, in weathor):—"One consideration whereof, it is significantly the court of the following accounts—to examine, such and estile the following accounts—let—An account of the real extate subject to the lieu of the complaints, its fee simple and annual rental waters 2d—an account of the time against the same, and the order of their priorities? 3d—Any other account which any party interested may require, or the Commissioner deems of importance.

In thising the above accounts; notice by publication shall be equivalent to personal service."

All parties inferested will take notice that I have fixed on MONDAY. THE "SND DAY OF OCTOBER 1876, so my office in Eartscondurg, as the time and place for taking said accounts, at which said time and place for taking said accounts, at which said time and place for under my hand as Commissioner in Chancery, this 5th day of Esptamber, 1876.

BENDLETON BRYAN, C. C.

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To the Working Class. We are now prepared to furnish all classes with constant employmen at home, the whole of the time; or for their spare me of either sex easily earn from 50 cents to 35 per ever ing, and a proportional sum by devoting their whol time, so the business. Boys and girls earn nearly a much as frien. That all who see this notice may sen their address, and test the business we make this un parallelled offer: To such as are not well satisfied will send one dellar to pay for the trouble of writing full particulars, samples worth several dellars to connence work on, and a copy of Home and Fireside, or

The Centennial Excursion.

HARRISONBURG, Sept. 12, 1876. We left Harrisonburg and came on Harper's Ferry, taking on people all the way down the line, making the number when we arrived there about eight hundred. Passing through Washington, Baltimore, and Wilmington, we arrived in Philadelphia about 9:30 p. m., having had a delightful trip withhere to those that fear accidents on excursions, that there is not the slightest danger, for all the lines are prepared for the train, and as it is an extra train rious kinds, &c. atus they are more particular than, at any other time, and if another opportunity should occur. I would advise all who did not go on this one to take advantage of it and go, for they can go at greatly reduced rates, which is a very important item with most of us. Those that go will be fully repaid for time and money, for they will have a de-lightful trip, passing through a magnificent country as well as getting a sight of the grandest exhibition the world ever saw. After spending the night at the American Hotel we commenced our tour of sight-seeing by going to old Independence Hall, which is just across the street from the hotel. We first went into the room in which the Declaration of Independence was signed -a room in which the freedom of this great country was declared. As we entered what feelings of awe and respect were awakened, to think we stood upon the same floor, under the same roof where stood Washington and

the other great lights of our country! We see the same chair in which he sat, the desk on which he wrote a hundred years ago. We then turned to see the portrait representing the signers of Independence, and with what wonder and admiration do we look upon the faces of men that risked all for the sake of their country. On the right of the room we entered is a large safe containing the original Declaration of ed people of the South have been made Independence and the ink stand from to believe from the start by their prewhich the ink was used for signing it. tended Republican friends that there Across the hall from that room is a sort of museum, containing old Liberty Bell—the bell that first pealed forth the notes of freedom to our oppressed people. It is resting upon the same timbers that supported it in the tower. In the centre of the room is a glass case, in which are a great many relics | colored men are generally chosen for of 1776 and of a time prior to that, office by the white Republicans of the Such for instance, a quilt made in 1745. South because they are easier to man-There it is that you see a piece of Mrs. ipulate. White men have been elected. first carpet used in the President's house. In the rear of the room is the desk being installed in office; a few months upon which Geo. Mason wrote the Bill of rights of Virginia, and close to that is the new in which Washington, Trank-lin and La Fayette sat in Christ Church, &c. The black man notices this, and Washington, in which also we had the

party adjourned to the Centennial grounds, entering the main building where the Chinese have their display, which consists principally of furniture of the most unique and handsomest that was ever seen. Such for instance, a bedstead worth \$400. In the display from Orange Free State, South Africa, you can see diamonds of very large size in their rough state; all -kinds of insects, ivory as it is taken from the elephant the largest tacks I ever saw or ever expect to see; beat a hogs all to pieces. Going into the Peruvian depart.

Indian muminy. There you see a display of pottery of all kinds. In the Republica Argentina I saw would have voted the Democratic tickthe most peculiar trunk or lounge, for it could be called either. It had every convenience for carrying clothes, and the happy faculty of being converted into a splendid lounge if any one should be caught out with it. Cape Good Hope is the place where we saw an apparatus for hatching ostriches, which requires about six weeks to bring into existence a bird that can be sold for \$50. We next came to the jewelry, (being with tadies we could expect nothing else,) which was the most exquisite and the handsomest that imag-ination could picture, such as necklaces worth from \$1,700 to \$25,000. By the by, one of the gentlemen of our party said he had an idea of purchasing the \$25,000 one, and as I have heard nothing to the contrary, I expect he has, and if he is called upon you may have the pleasure of seeing it. After wan-

dering some time in the main building, looking at the grandest sight the eye ever beheld, we took our departure for Machinery Hall, the most interesting building on the ground, with the exception of the Art Gallery. There we saw them making sitks, silk handkerchiefs, ribbons, carpets, &c., as well as the manufacture of pins, needles, and many other things too numerous to

mention. Our course was next to the Art Gallery, where the gaze was met by the most exquisite paintings, as well as the finest statuary the world ever saw. I could have wandered around there for a week or even longer, lost in admiration and delight, that such faces and such designs should have been wrought in the imagination to be reflected on scal and instrumental Messyges

Agricultural Hell came next on our programme. There we saw agricultural implements of the most improved, as well as the handsomest, that it was our fortune to come across. How I wished for some of our farmers to enjoy the sight with me. Saw a mower that would cut and bind the grain; and will send one dollar to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars, samples worth several dollars to commonce work on, and a copy of Home and Fireside, one of the largest and best Illustrated Publications, all sent free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitally work, address (George Stinson & Co., Portland, Maine. it was done much quicker and much There has been a steady decline in land has greatly increased the past more securely than it could be done the erection of new buildings in New summer on account of the intense

made in 1775. It was of wood, with the exception of the point, which was a small piece of iron, compared with the points of this day.

We next visited Horticultural Hall, through, stopping at Winchester to get but not finding anything to interest us two more coaches, which were loaded particularly, there being nothing but and waiting for us. We then went to shrubbery, we soon took our departshrubbery, we roon took our depart-ure. Thence taking our course to the various State buildings, we saw little to interest us in any of them, there only being a parlor and reading room in the most of them. There was a very good display in the Kansas and Colom., having had a delightful trip with-out the elightest accident and without the least danger. Allow me to say male inhabiting those States, which had been killed by a woman. Arkansas, California and West Virginia had good displays of minerals, woods of va-

There were a great many other things which I would like to mention, but it will require too much time and space to write it; besides my descriptive powers are not sufficient to do the subject justice, for after we have been there we find it exceedingly difficult to form very much of an idea, for it is too grand for words to describe and too

vast for our minds to comprehend. We were in Philadelphia until Fri day, when we took our course homeward. Reaching Baltimore the same evening, we spent the night there, and commenced our journey homeward sonburg about 5 20 p. m. safe and sound, after having had the most delightful trip it ever was our fortune to of gwob buesevir. take West

eggers to bill a dozen or two The Colored People. ner Ham

South State State

Frederick Douglas, Jr., in a letter to the Washington Chronicle, says: "I am not at all surprised at the state of affairs in the Southern States, among the colored people, when I take into consideration the class of white Republicans who have misled them ever since they became citizens, and for their own selfish ends. The colorwas money in politics, so much so that it has been impossible in very many instances to get good, honest colored men in office, because they could not be used to wink at whatever white Republicans might do that was corrupt. The most illiterate, unprincipled

had a second shirt to their backs before later they are sporting fine horses, gold &c. The black man notices this, and immediately makes up his mind that pleasure of taking a seat and resting the next time he is asked to vote he for a while. We then went up stairs, but not finding anything of interest out. have an office, whether competent or not. The rebels soon become exasperated and murder a few white Republican officials, and they invariably throw up their office and run to the

north, leaving the negro to stand the

storm." THE COLORED VOTERS OF ALABAMA. The New York Sun says: "The colored voters of Alabama having advanced sufficiently in political knowledge to understand that the talk about it being the purpose of the democrats to reduce them to slavery again is all nonsense, the virtuous carpetbaggers in ment, you are met, by the welcome as that State have had recourse to a new well as child like and bland smile of an invention for working upon their fears. A colored man in Hale county informed a correspondent of the Sun that he et at the last election, only he had been told that if the Democrats were elected, although they could not put the negro back into slavery, yet they would pass a law regulating the prices to be paid the colored people for their labor, and under the proposed Democratic schedule the wages of a negro man would be limited to four dollars per month, while no colored woman would be permitted to receive over half that sum. It is by such devices as this that the Republican managers in the South seek to maintain their influence over the unsophisticated American citizens of African descent,

ROBBED BY THE BANK The blacks of Nashville alone had \$84,000 in the Freedman's Bank. It was earned by the hardest toil. One poor blind wood-sawyer lost the earnings of three years. Indeed, every single case in that city is one of distress. Not one of the depositors is able to bear the loss. The bulk of them were draymen, porters, waiters, boot-blacks, washer women, wood-sawyers, coal beavers, and street laborers. Imagine their distress. One of the saddest sights ever seen in Nashville was these poor people gathered around the oranch bank on the day of the failure. Some cried aloud.—Buffalo Courier.

New York schools began their sessions on Monday, with an attendance of 120,000 pupils.

Robertson county, Tennessee, agricultural fair will give \$20 premium on the fastest hog team.

Lord John Russell has been a member of parliament since 1813. He is in his eighty-fifth year.

The President has appointed Sampson P. Bayly, of Virginia, to be United States consul at Palermo.

[For the COMMONWEALTH.] Where are we Drifting ?- Dress and

SHENANDOAH ALUM SPRINGS, Aug. 23rd, 1876. 5 perplexing one. It is certainly of very great importance to the Christian

If, as has been said, dress is the exponent of charater, what must be our estimate of the majority of women at the present time? Look at that moving mass of silk and velveteen, laces, ribbons, feathers, flowers and jewels. Can that be a Christian woman? Probably she calls herself such, for many of them are to be seen in our churches.

communion table, dragging yards of rich silk after her, loaded with trimmings, so puffed and panniered that she can scarcely kneel at the altar; when we look upon the costly ornaments which adorn her neck and ears, and see the jeweled hand extended to receive the sacred emblem of Christ's suffering and death, she seems so utterly out of place, that we almost wonder that the minister does not pass her by, or say to her: "You have no part or lot in this matter." The large gold cross suspended from her neck by a heavy chain seems but a mockery of that which is suggested by the solemn service in which she is engaged. Perhaps that is her interpretation of the command to "take up her cross daily and follow Christ." When that portion of the service is reached which calls for alms for the poor, she has but a trifle, if anything, to bestow; yet, her jewelry alone, cost enough to make many a needy one comfortable.

How They Have BEEN SWINDLED AT THE I have no disposition to join in the sweeping denunciations in which some good people indulge toward everything in the way of decorations.

God has seen fit to clothe the earth

with beauty, and I cannot think that He is pleased when we repress our instinctive love for the beautiful and make a merit of excessive plainness. The day of literal sack-cloth and ashes has passed away, and the gospel of the New Testament calls for bright-

ness and joy in its followers. It is right for women to dress in good taste, and make themselves appear attractive, but that is a very different thing from following the absurd, mmodest and costly fashions of the times. There must be somewhere a golden mean between the two extremes, and we should search for it as for hid-

den treasures. But whatever women wear in other places, good taste and refinement, to say nothing of christian duty, demand that they should appear in the house of God in clothing which shall not dis tract the attention of others, nor make their poor neighbors feel more keenly the difference between her lot and watches and chains, smoking fine ci- theirs. Talmage says truly "The item of dress among christian people on the Sabbath in an outrage on christian religion ten cents for the missionary cause, and hundreds for trappings."

A Boy in Blue on Hayes -- An Ugly Story.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 30, 1876.

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To the Editor of Cincinnati Enquirer. Sir:-I think that so far from this \$400 business being a slander on Gov. Hayes, that it is very far short of the full amount of his profits in that transaction. We started from Columbus with about two hundred recruits for Hayes' Brigade, every one of whom re-ceived from \$300 to \$500 bounty. This money was all in the hand of the offimoney was all in the hand of the om-cer having us in charge on the way, and was handed to Gen. Hayes on our arrival at the brigade headquarters. Of the 200 men nearly one-half of them deserted on the way, leaving their money in the officer's hands. They were professional bounty jumpers, and feared the same fate as Hall, the deserter. When they enlisted they did not know the money would be taken from them at Columbus, and they in-tended to desert at the first opportunity, without going to the front. When they found they must go to the front to get it they determined to jump out without their mouey. While we were crossing the Alleghany Mountains on the Pennsylvania Railroad they deserted. Now, what became of all this mon-Not less than seventy-five men deserted, leaving their money in the officer's hands. This money was hand-ed over to Hayes. What did he do with it? I remember that the boys at the time all believed it was divided among the officers at the brigade headquarters, Hayes, of course, getting the ion's share. We never heard of it being handed over to the Government or expended for any public purpose. If it was, of course Hayes has receipts for

it. I think there can be no doubt but that Hayes and his officers pocketed it. we smoot to another Somerton. FULL AND COMPLETE EXPLANATION .- A gentleman caught a negro carrying off some of his fancy poultry the other night. "What are you doing with my chickens?" he yelled. "I was gwine fer ter fetch em back, boss. Dere's a nigger roun here what's been sputing wid me bout dem chickens. I sed dey were Coachin Chiniz, an' he sed dey wnz Alamamar pullets, an' I wuz jest takin' em 'roun' ter 'stablish my nol-lege. Dev don't lay no aigs, does dey boss?". Ef dev does I'm mighty 'shamed ut hustin' ut 'em reun'. Aigs mechanic and laborer can augrene ai

Although there was none left to tell the tale" another eve-withess gives a description of the Custer annihilawhich have been accompli-

The death rate in America and Eng-

A Trip to the Centennial Exposition.

KEEZEETOWN, Va. Sept. 12th, 1876. Editor of the Commonwealth :- In company with a large number of ladies and gentlemen, your correspondent on the 4th inst. had the pleasure of visit-the Quaker City and the great Inter-national Exhibition. For some weeks prior to the day upon which the "exenrsion" was to start, much interest was manifested in the enterprise by a large number of our citizens; and as the day for the excursion approached; Philadelphia, the Centennial and the sights mingled largely with their conversational topies And the ladies God bless them, are never at a discount on But when such a one goes to the such occasions. The nice things they prepared to satisfy the cravings of the nner man, and to save, as they argued. the expense of purchasing a lunch (a thing a man never would have thought of) were marvelous to see, and should entitle the fair ladies of our Valley to the first place in the affections of their lords and cause them to be appreciated. and honored as being truly God's last

and honored as being truly God's last and best gift to man.

On the morning of the 4th, while pale Synthia was yet smiling good-naturedly upon our planet and dispensing her silvery beams athwart the earth, rolling vehicles, groupes of ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls and bonny lasses, whose lovely features and soft, melting eyes gave evidence of bro-ken slumber and broken rest, all with satchels and travelling bags, from all points of the compass, made tracks for depot.

Soon all were safely and sungly seated aboard the long line of coaches, in waiting for the occasion. A moment more and we are rolling along the line of the B. & O. R. R at a good rate, stopping, however, every few minutes to receive new passengers. At I o'clock polime we reach Harper's Ferry, with thirteen coaches and 800 passengers. Here we are compelled to "let up" a few minutes, owing, I suppose, to a collision which had occurred at this place a few hours before and the wreck still being on the track.

The track having been cleared we are again under way, and soon we enter the capital of the nation. We have scarcely rested our eyes upon the dome of the Capitol when a toot! toot! and a jerk warn us that we must reserve our wonder craving propensities for a future occasion, and away we go again. A few minutes more and Relay Station is announced. This is a most picturesque place, surrounded by scenery scarcely less grotesque and grand than that of Harper's Ferry itself. The station consists of a magnificently conceived eating house and waiting room

R. Company. Here we rested and took dinner. "All aboard" from our gentlemanly conductor and a "toot" from the iron borse, announced that our half hour was up, and summoned us from our short siesta to our place aboard the train again, and away we sped. And now we approach the "Monumental City;" and while the coaches are being conveyed through the city by borsepower, for it seems the authorities will not allow engines to go through the streets, we amused ourself by perambulating along the streets and taking a drink of lager now and then. Two

in the management of the B. & O. R.

V. You can resolutely refuse to vote hours are passed in this way, when we come up with our train, which is now ready to proceed. We got aboard and were soon whirling along towards Wilmington. We were preparing to take a nap when some one called out "Havre de Grace!" We thrust our head through the window, and as far as the eye could reach we saw nothing but a broad expanse of water, dotted by frequent white sails. It is the mouth of the Susquehanua and head of the Chesapeake bay. The bridge crossed, we

thundered down upon Wilmington a little after night fall. Ten minutes' respite, and we were off again; now for the last time 'till we reach the "Qua-ker City." We reached Philadelphia at 9:30 p. m., and repaired to the Atlas Hotel, and after much waiting and delay we are assigned to our rooms, if such I may call them. The truth is, they were more like stalls for live stock than rooms for human beings. We paid seventy-five cents for one of them and bunked as well as we could 'till morning, when each man, woman and child of our party seized his travelingbag and pulled for more comfortable quarters, which was easily found at one dollar per day. At 10 o'clock a. m. we return from our search for quarters and enter the great show. And, oh! ye Gods! how willingly we would describe the wonders of the place, but language fails us and space is inadequate to the task. As it is, we can only give you a few general ideas touching this great collection of international wonders. We entered the main building first and proceeded to a most careful examination of everything on exhibition as we went. We found, however, this manner of proceeding would require many more days than we had allotted to the task, and accordingly began to take a more general survey of the building. In this way we spent several days, and could have spent many more without seeing one fourth of the exhibition in the main building alone. We passed rapidly through the various departments of the exhibition, but was especially interested in Machinery Hall. The first thing that strikes one with peculiar interesthere, is the number of labor saving ma

and most of them are models of the inventive mind of our own people. The Art Gallery contains a most in teresting collection of pictures and sculptures from the most distinguished masters both ancient and modern, and will of itself amply reward any one who may visit the Centennial.

chines. These are truly wonderful

The Woman's pavillion is a rare freat, and Horticultural Hall lovely beyoud description. The truth is, there is so much to be seen that one soon becomes absolutely worn out with sight-seeing, and objects which have elicited the praise and applause of the civililized world are soon passed by without any interest whatever

After spending a week in Philadelphia we began to think of our own dear old Valley again, and all the won-ders of the "world's show" and the social disposition of our Quaker brethren could not retain us from turning our faces homeward, where we all soon arrived safe and sound, heartily satisfied with our trip and cherisbing the warmest feelings of friendship for the good people of Philadelphia.

Respt'y, R. T. S.

binigo adi lo Don't Care.

You don't care for polities? You ought to care. It is your "Don't care" more than anything else that has broght politics into disrepute and the nation into danger. For

I. You are a trustee. There is no such thing as universal suffrage. Women, children, lunatics, criminals; and unnaturalized foreigners do not vote. Only about one in every ten of the whole population does vote. You represent ten people in your community. If you send a man to Congress and be is too busy making money to care for politics you count him recreant. If you don't care for politics you are equally recreant. You are a epresentative. It is your duty to

II. You owe something to prosper ity. What would you say of a man in 1776 who did not care for politics? A more devasting army invades the country new. The plague of domestic

flies is worse than foreign locusts.

The office-seekers are more dangerons than red-coats. Dry rot is worse than bombardment. If you are to hand down the inheritance of the fathers to the children, you must care. Indifference is treason—of a mild sort

but deadly.

III. If higher motives do not affect you self interest should. What has paralyzed industry; stopped the wheeles of manufactories; left half the nation barren and unproductive; left us as money without stable value and a future without a certainty; created universal distrust and suspicion; and filled the columns of our daily papers with scandal, half of it stander, and the other half truth? "Don't care" has done it. So long as substantial mem "don't care" who administers the government, or on what principle it is done, so long taxes will be high, and corruption great, and mismanagement profitable, and reform spasmodic. The reform must begin, not at Washington, but in the hearts of men all over the the country who "don't care."

TV. You cannot do anything? Have you ever tried? You can go to primary elections. You may be beaten at the first venture, you deserve to be if you stay beaten. But even defeat may be a prelude to victory. The presence of men of character, of wealth, of influence, in the primary meetings will make itself felt.

for bad men because they are put on your ticket. You can break away from party leaders : and when you do, party leaders will have to consult you and such as you or fail. You can write and sign a declaration of independence on your account. The officeholders and office seekers are in insignificant minority. Look around you any Sunday-bow many are there in church? Stand on the sidewalk and look at the throng in any city street-how many are hungry for office? Go through a railway car and take a census—the vast majority are honest and disinterested as yourself. And you cannot do anything? Nonsense. You can do everything. The independent voters, the men who care for country more than party, and for party, only as it serves the country, can control politics any time they choose. It is 'don't care' that makes them humble servants of the politicians whom they effect to despise Whenever patriotism in the many is stronger than the love of pelf in the few, the country will be redeemed. Its greatest curse is "don't care." That is its old man of the sea; and you are the one to help throw him over. Christian Weekly id has stranding food

Mrs. Van Auken installed a Chinaman in her kitchen. "What is your name, sir?" asked she. "Oh! my namee Ah Sin Foo." "But I can't remember that lingo, my man. I'll call you Jimmy." Veliy welle. Now whachee namee I callee you?" asked Ah Sin, looking up in sweet simplicity. "Well, my name is Mrs. Van Auken; call me that." "Oh! me can no member Missee Yanne Auken. Too big piecee namee. I callee you Tommy—Missee Tommy."

"Dan," said a young four-year-old 'give me six-pence to buy a monkey.' We have got one monkey in the house now," replied the elder brother. "Who didate for Governor of Louisiana.-Dan?" asked the little fellow. 'You," was the reply. "Then give me six-pence to buy the monkey some nuts." The brother could not resist.

The Servian war is about ended. Japan has legalized Sunday as a day

Texas boasts of having nine railroads in process of construction. Father Hyacinthe will next try Oburch of England, it is said.

There has been a great falling off in country.

Fun for our Friends.

What holds all the spuff in the world? No one nose.

There was a little gathering the other evening, and some one asked a Preston man if he wasn't fond of Mendelsshon. He said he was passionately; but unless very carefully cooked it al-ways disagreed with him.

A Tennessee girl told a fellow she would give him a kiss if be would catch her. She ran well till she got out of sight of the old folks, and then gave in. This shows what a Tennessee girl will do when she is hard run.

"A horse! a horse! my kingdom for a horse!" cried a celebrated tracedian. "Wouldn't a jackass do as well?" inquired an affected young man, rising in his seat. "Yes," triumphantly exclaimed the actor, "just step up this way sir"." The young man and their way, sir." The young man sat down.

Appearances are often deceitful, but when a man who is engaged to a red-headed girl is seen at midnight with both arms around a street lamp, tell-ing it it is too sweet to live, it is usually safe to presume that a new kind of

temperance bitters have been intro-duced into the neighborhood.

An "able seaman" from Ardamurchan was at the tiller of his sloop one night, shortly after the introduction of colored signal lights on ships of A. steamer was approaching and Archy saw the green and red light for the first time at sea. He astonished his shipmates by yelling out, "hard a port! hard a port! We've gaen not into the pothecary's shop at Gource!"

One of the many "law twiggs" of this city was called to defend a colored man accused of stealing a skimmer, and in summing up the case, he burst forth in the following elequent strain: "Let the patient ass crop the thistle of the valley, the quiet goat graze upon the mountain's brow, but, gentlemen of the jury, the prisoner at the bar is

A pompons young fellow was dinng with a Yorkshire family, and when the hostess, after the Yorkshire ashion, sadered the servant to take away the dish containing the "fool"-meaning the fowl-the young man corrected her, saying, "I presume you mean the fowl, medam?" "Very well," responded the annoyed hostess, "take away the fowl and let the fool remain.

A young man was frequently cautioned by his father to vote for "measures, not men." He promised to do so, and soon after received a bonus to vote for Mr. Peck. His father, astonished at his voting for a man whom. deemed objectionable, inquired the reason for doing so. "Surely, lather," said the son, "you told me to vote for measures, and if Peck is not a measure, I don't know what is."

Some of the deacons "down East" seem to have a bad practice of snoring loudly while asleep in church. which appears to disturb some folks there, as a Maine paper recently had the following polite notice for one of them: "Deacon Jones is requested not to commence sporing to morrow until the sermon has begun, as some persons in the neighborhood of his pew would like to hear the text."

The other day a Vicksburg wife went into the country on a visit, without saying anything to, or leaving word for her husband. He was uneasy on returning home, and made inquiries. among the neighbors. buGone !- missing!" exclaimed one woman: "why...
I should think you'd be uneasy about: ber!" "I am," he replied, wearing a sorrowful look, "for some one has got to split the wood to get breakfast with !" longress, a few weeks since.

A man who was not clever at conundrums, in attempting to get officee ab a ten party at his own house the other evening, became exceedingly mixed. He intended to ask the old question: "Why is a woman like ivy?" the fa-miliar but gallaut answer to which is "Because, the more you're ruined the closer she dings." But be put it, "Why is my like a woman?" which none of the ladies could tell, and se the unfortunate man told them himself that it was "Because the closer it elings the more you're ruined

The dog in the manger, that would neither eat the hay himself non-let the ox eat it, has been denounced for ages as the worst example of selfishness that ever came to light in the history of the world. The wisest men have given the subject much thought, and have all arrived at the same point of conclusion: that the dog had no reason under the sun for such conduct, only pure, downright meanness. It never occurred to them that, as a good hed is next to a good meal, the poor dog wanted that little bunch of bay for a bed, and had as good a right to it as the ox; hence the ox was the meanest of the two in seeking to rob the dog of his bed. So Æ-op had better "pull down his vest" while we tally one for the dog.

Congressman Levy tells a good story about Nichols, the Democratic can-Nichola was in the service during the war, and one day in action lost his left. arm. At another time he received a. very severe wound in his left leg. In the hospital the surgeons consulted and decided that an amputation way necessary. Nichola, when he heard of it, said: "With that decision departs." one of the brightest ambitions of my life," "How is that " was asked. At. this Nichels said: "My father before me was an honored judge. One of the greatest desires of my life has been to sit upon the bench, but now it is impossible. With my left leg and arm the number of immigrants to this off, I would be a one-sided judge, and that would intolerable.

SAMUEL J. TILDEN, Of New York.

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

ELECTORAL TICKET. JOHN W. DANIEL, of Lynchburg. F. W. M. HOLLIDAT, of Winchester

DISTRICT ELECTORS. W. E. CABELL, Buckinglism.
R. H. RIDDLEBERGER, Sheuandoah,
B. JOHNSON BARBOUR, Orange.
D. S. PIERCE, Wythe.

FOR CONGRESS, SEVENTH DISTRICT, HON. JOHN T. HARRIS

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Robert Thrift has gone into bankruptcy. . So there isn't much in a name after alleast nello era sonar

The London Daily News says there is greater depression in business there than for thirty years past.

The nemination of Hon, Joel Parker for elector-at large in New Jersey ensures that State to the Democracy by a large majority.

The number of visitors at Philadelphia is greater now than at any time since the opening of the Centennial Exposition, yet there is room for more.

A colored man by the name of Chambers, from Arkansas, is making a canvass of the Northern States. He is speaking against the outery of the Bloody Shirt, and the Democrats give him a hearty welcome everywhere.

The result of the municipal elections in South Carolina indicate that there is some chance of redeeming the State from Radical rule. At Kingsree, Barnwell and Aiken the straight Democratic tickets were elected, many colored people voting with the Democrats.

Jos. Segar, whom the Republicans have nominated in the Norfolk district, it is stated, is not a resident of the district. He is a recorded resident of Washington city, and for years has resided there and engaged in his profes-

The news from Indiana is encouraging to Democratic success in that Narrowback mountain. This region, be-State. Seventy meetings a day was the election day approaches the enthusiasm of the party becomes more intense .--The Democratic majority is set down

The Republican gain in Vermont at the last election was thirty-five per cent. and the Democratic was seventythree per cent. Should the Democrats make the same relative gain throughout the country it would give them nearly every State in the Union.

Hon. Montgomery Blair, in his speech here on Monday last, (Court Day.) stated that the cost of seven years of Grant's administration, exclusive of interest on the public debt, cost nearly as much as all the administrations for seventy years previous, including the war with Tripoli, England, Mexico and the Indians, and the purchase of Lonisiana, Florida and California.

"I am not like a girl that don't know what she wants," said Gen. Butler, in announcing his desire to be returned to Congress, a few weeks since. "Iam like a widow that knows what she wants, and is not afraid to ask for it." Just so, Ben, but when you wanted spoons or other articles of silverware a few years ago, you took them without

The Republican Committee has cancelled its engagements with Carl Schurz. He wrote to a friend that the German vote of Ohio would be cast for Tilden and that the State was lost to Hayes. Because he did not lie the Republican press is abusing him. For that offense, and because he is rather severe upon Grant, not having learned that Grantism and Hayesiam are synonymous, he has been thrown over-

The Democratic Convention of New York to nominate a candidate for Governor in the place of Horatio Seymour. did its work well in selecting Lucius Robinson as its standard bearer. After the nomination of Mr. Robinson, Thos. Kelly, an elector-at-large, resigned the position and moved that Horatio Seymour be put upon the ticket in his stead. The motion was carried unanimously, amid much enthasiasm. Robinson, Dorsheimer, Seymour and Tilden will sweep the State in November.

The venerable Gen. Dix is not to have the veteran business all to himself, it seems. The democratic Boys ing Joe Hooker.

Ex-Lientenant Governor Jos. Bennet, who has been a leader of the republican forces in Mississippi for the past ten years says that he will vote for Tilden and Hendricks at the com-

Letter from Jed Hotchkiss, State Geolo-gist, on the Bora Coal Fields.

STAUNTON, VA., Sept. 12th, 1876. Editor of the Old Commonwealth: A few days ago, by the courtest of the ac-live and efficient General Superintendent of the Rayal Land Co. of Va., R. N. Poel, Esq., I had the pleasure of a visit to the Dora Coal Mines, situated in North River Gap, among the mountains in the northern portion of Augusta county. My last visit to this interesting locality was in 1870, while engaged in topographical explorations for the map of Augusta county, so I was prepared to see considerable changes in the appearance of this wild region, the result of the operations of the Royal Land Company, incident to the exploration and pastial development of the large boundary-embracing more than 150 square miles of territory,-it has recently become possessed of on the headwaters of the Shenandoah, the James and the Potomac, in the counties of Augusta, Rocking-

ham and Highland, Virginia, and Pendleton

West Virginia

It is well known that one of the most val uable of the mineral belts of Virginia that extend N. E. and S. W. across the State, is the one immediately west of the Great Valley, where the Lower Silurian formationthe Valley making one—is succeeded by the mountain building Upper Silurian and Devonian. Among these rocks are found nu-merous stratified bands of hematite, or red, and limonite, or yellow, iron ores, having not only an extensive local development, but also great extension in the direction of the mountain ranges. Intelligent and farseeing iron manufacturers are of the opinion that it is along this belt of ores that the great iron works of the future will be constructed, and the Royal Land Company has shown its sagacity by securing the front range of the North Mountains, here known as Narrowback, where a small amount of excavation has uncovered the outcrop of a stratified mass of ore, many feet in thickness, on the eastern side of the gap in this range made by the waters of North River. Explorations, I understood, made for miles along the eastern flank of the mountain, on the outcrop of the ore, had proved the continuity of the deposit and shown that it has the same characteristics here as in the extension of these ranges to the S. W. along the line of the Chesapeake & Ohio R. R., where it has been worked at the extensive mines of Elizabeth, Longdale, Cullie, Lowmoor, &c. A glance, in passing through the gorge, is sufficient to prove that the facilities for mining the ore here are unsurpassed, as the roadway of a railway passing through the gap will actually cut through the stratum of ore and expose the edge of its dip for many feet, so that a switch, on grade, from the main line can be made to run with the strike for miles and the ore be thrown into

the cars from the very place where it is quarried. Passing through the gorge, along North river, between Narrowback and Lookout mountains, we were fairly within North Riv ver (lan and our course at once turns to the north and follows the North Fork of the river, passing the ends of Chestnut, Middle, Big, Timber, Wolf and other ridges-the long and lofty spars that come down at right angles from the great North, or Shenandoah mountain that, at a distance of six or seven miles, runs parallel to the Little, North or tween the two bounding ranges, locally known as North River Gap, is occupied by a pany every meausure of success and earnestaverage last week in the State, and as different geological formation—one that succeeds in the order of age the Devonian as that succeeds the Upper Silurian, and is this unoccupied portion of our grand old known as the "Lowest Coal Group." Areas agencies of denudation by the harder rocks

of this latter, containing several good seams of coal-the oldest known workable onesare found in enclosed valleys like this, where they have been protected from the wasting of the older formations of which the higher surrounding mountains are built. As these coals are among the oldest so they are among the hardest; still they have characteristics that distinguish them from the hard anthracites of Pennsylvania or the still harder ones of Wales, like the degrees of hardness that well-baked bread may have. Lesley, the best authority, calls these "well-baked" but not overdone coals, semi anthracite-[see his report in the proceedings of the American Philosophical Society]. Rogers, in his "Re connoissance," or first report, in 1835, says. page 17, "From the Potomac to the south western counties, the minor ranges of mountains, rising in general along the western boundary of the Valley, are known to include beds of this mineral in the various conditions of a pure anthracite, and a compound containing variable but never large roportions of bituminous matter, and which nay accordingly be denominated semi-bitu ninous coal." Subsequently Prof. R. speaks of the coal from a four foot vein on Coal Run, in Rockingham, as "a pure anthracite," but in all his subsequent reports he mentious the coals of this formation as semi-bituminous, and, I may add, that in my correspondence with him while writing my recently issued Summary of Virginia he approved the use of the terms semi anthracite, or semi-bituminous, in describing these coals. I consider it, moreover, a matter of importance that these, almost interchangeable, terms can be applied to the coals of this group, because those so designated are: among the most valuable known to commerce, since they combine the good qualities of both anthracite and bituminous, and are free from objections that may be made to either of those varieties, whether used in

enunerative prices. Returning from this necessary digression -necessary because "names are things," real and important ones too,-we soon arrived at the Dora Coal Mines, headquarters of the Royal Land Company, where its intelligent and skilled mine manager, Mr. Jacob Saylor, of Pennsylvania, gave us a hearty welcome, and, what was equally as acceptable after a ride of 21 miles from Harrisonburg, a substantial dinner, after which we visited some half a dozen of the numerous trial pits and adits that have been sunk and driven on this extensive property to test the extent and character of the seams of coal here existing. At one well constructed adit, on the west side of a small stream, driven into a spur of Big Ridge we found on the in Blue are organizing for the cam- bank quite a pile of superior coal, and went paign, under the sommand of Fight- in nearly 100 feet on a seam of coal that apparently was ascending towards the Great North Mountain. This seam, as exposed in the tunnel, was from four to five feet thick. From this drift a shaft had been carried up some ten or fifteen feet to another seam of earth .- Shenandoah Valley coal on a higher level, which we entered from a drift on the hillside, sixty feet or

manufacturing for the production of steam

or for domestic purposes. We may rest sat-

isfied if Virginia can produce au abundance

of semi anthracite coal, knowing, as we do

that there will always be a market for it at

more. In this the miners were at work School Report for Reckingham County. "driving" a seam that so far had been a good deal "disturbed" and distorted, but that seemed to be about a yard thick, the coal of

as good quality as the seam below. The condition of this mine bids fair to improve as the "driving" progresses. On the opposite side of the stream, at this mine, an outcrop has been exposed, just at the water level of what may prove to be another seam, but as it dips under this level it will require pumps, &c., to work it.

From these mines we crossed the point of a spur to the northward to and across Little River, the north fork of North River, where we found another well-made adit above the water level in a seam several feet thick, from which a considerable pile of excellent coal has been removed in "driving in" for some fifty or sixty feet. On the opposite, or west bank of the stream, at a lower level, appeared the outcrop of a seam of coal that seemed more compact than any we saw at the other openings.

From one-half to three-fourths of a mile farther down the river on this same east side. at the western foot of Narrowbuck, we visited two other exceedingly well constructed adits, one at a somewhat higher level than the other, (though they may be on the same seam,) that with a thickness of from three to five feet soon dips below the water level and under the mountain. The coal removed from the fifty or sixty feet of tunneling done here is of good quality, as is in fact all of the coal here, although, so far, usually in

the form known as "nut." I was informed that many experimental penings had been made over an extended area, but my visit was a harried one, merely to see the character of the operations of the energetic company that has taken hold of this hitherto neglected region. I made no measurements or careful examinations, as my stay was very brief. Hitherto this has been a wilderness where explorations could be made only with great difficulty. Now paths and roads have been made, the underbrush cut away, the coal seams exposed by openings well and fairly made, and comfortable quarters erected, so that now it is an easy task, with time at command, to instrumentally examine and survey, the outcrops and made openings of the coal seams here existing, and so determine their number, character and condition for mining, and the extent of surface that they underlie. So far this company has done good and proper work -it has really done nearly all the preliminary mining work it can advantageously do. It has preven the existence of a number of excellent workable and gettable seams of coal of good quality-such as will meet with ready sale when offered in market. Now it can have the extent and conditions of its ceal field determined, as it may have already dene, for aught I know, man one. ew

A visit will convince any one that this company has here a valuable mineral estate—one that can be reached by a railway that can be cheaply constructed from Harrisenburg, on easy grades, and that will develepe on its route some of the finest portions of the rich counties of Rockingham and Augusta, not to mention what lies beyond on the contemplated line of extension, where the great iron belt, with its many bands of different varieties of ore, and the Great Appalachian coal field, with its various kinds of bituminous coal, remain to be crossed, and all on the nearest line of accessibility to the eastern seaboard.

Every Virginian can but wish this comire that it may prove truly "royal" in the grand developments it shall bring to Commonwealth. Yours, &c.,

JED. HOTCHKISS

The Contest in South Carolina.

Dr. H. V. Redfield, the well informed Southern correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial, a strong Republican paper, writing under date of Septem-

ber 9th, from Greenville, S. C., says: "I am almost ready to believe that South Carolina will go democratic, At present the chances are about even, but the doubt is in favor of the democrats. The State is aroused as it has not been since the war. It may fairly be said to be ablaze from the mountains. to the sea. The whites are united as they never have been. There is absolutely no division in their ranks. White republicans who are not office holders are as scarce as whales in the Ohio river. In nearly every paper I pick up I find a "card" from some heretofore white republican who announces himself for Hampton, saying in effect, or directly so, that African government here has been a failure; that the State is drifting to destruction, and that the only relief is the election of a straightout white ticket. Mr. W. E. Rose, of Columbia, whom I know, and who has heretofore been unwavering in his republicanism. is out in a card, with his five sons, renouncing the South Carolina republican party as a failure and joining the

Hampton ranks.
"We find the whites united and determined to carry the election. find the republicans divided, split into a Chamberlain faction and an anti-Chamberlain faction. The colored leader, Elliott, says that if Chamberlain is nominated next week he will vote for Hampton. Judge Mackey says if Chamberlain is not nominated he will vote for Hampton. The gods have not made these republicans mad, but they have taken away a portion of what little sense has heretofore been confided to their keeping."

SUDDEN DEATH. -It becomes our sad and painful duty to record the sudden death of Mrs. Fanny Roberts, daughter of John H. Burke, dec'd., and Mrs. Francis Burke, and wife of Mr. Joseph Roberts, of this place. She died last Wednesday night, at 10 o'clock, aged

28 years, 4 months and 10 days.

Not one year ago she was led to the altar as a happy bride, and now cold, stern death claims her for his own.— Truly in the midst of life we are in death. God has claimed but his own. He has called her hence, to dwell with that innumerable host who "have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb," as one of them, in that blissful clime.-There, before the Throne of God, through the love of Christ, in perfect happiness, she awaits you. It is a sore trial for a husband, a parent, and relatives to give to Death one so dearly loved; but weep not for her, "she is not dead but sleepeth." She is free from all the suffering and evils of this

Gold on Monday was \$1.10.

OFFICE OF CO. SUPT. OF SCHOOLS,

HARRISONBURG, VA., Sept 15, 1876. EDITOR OLD COMMONWEALTH: By request of the County School Board, I furnish for publication in your paper an abstract of my official report of the public schools of Rockingham for the ear ending July 31st, 1876. In order to economize space and that comparisons of the different Districts may be made readily, I have thought best to put it in statistical or tabular form, as follows:

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than reported. The average monthly salary from al sources, of male teachers was \$34.28 of female teachers \$28.39. Respectfully submitted.

J. HAWSE Co. Sup't Schools. Correspondence of the Commonweal

Letter from Missouri—60,000 Majority for Tilden and Hendricks.

Wadesburgh, Cass co., Mo., Sept. 9th, 1876. Editor of the Commonwealth: Dear Sir-I thought that probably the readers of your paper would like to hear something from Missouri, and having nothing else to do this morning, concluded to try my hand at scribbling knowing of no better medium through which to write so as to interest the people of my native county than the OLD COMMONWEALTH, which I always look for auxiously whenever mail day arrives, as I feel delighted to hear of

anything new from old Virginia.
You, Mr. Editor, deserve congratulation for the manner in which you are conducting your paper in regard to the interests of Rockingham county, and I have no doubt that the people feel thankful to you for your energy and vim in bringing forward before the people of the country the immense advantages of Rockingham as a manufacturing and mining county.

From your paper I see the grand developments being made at the Dora Coal Mines; the organization of the Royal Land Company; the building of the Harrisonburg and Fredericksburg Railroad; the grand scenery and attractions which Rawler is bringing forth, and the continued increase of visitors which is making it one of the noted watering places of Virginia .-Such developments as these Rockingham county ought to be proud of, and ere long, instead of her young men leaving the county and coming West, they will find attractions at home which will allure them to stay. Because, if your present developments succeed, there will be a demand for labor, which will attract emmigration to you, and build up your towns with a thriving and industrious population. Dams will be thrown across the beautiful Shenandoah, on whose banks I was raised. Mills and furnaces will dot the streams everywhere. Then the farmer can find a demand for his agricultural products at his own door. The merchant can sell his goods for the cash, and drive a lively and safe trade for the benefit of himself and his customers. The mechanic and laborer can find employment at remunerative wages; and the horny fisted Granger can rub his fat pocket-book with concealed satisfaction, and ponder over the great things which have been accomplished by Granger influence.

I started out in this letter to write you something from Missouri, but find myself digressing to such an extent. 100 SACES FIXE SALT, at LOWEST prices

that I have written nothing as yet but about grand old Virginia. But Mr. Editor, we, here in Missouri, though having passed through some of the hardest times, have a better day dawn-First came the drought and

chintz bug, next the grasshopper raid to clean up what was left. We indeed thought that starvation was staring us in the face, but we came out last fall with as fine a corn crop as ever grew. This season we have a splendid wheat and corn crop both, which has caused a revival of business to such an extent as to make us all feel happy, and be-lieve in Missouri as being "God's own country" as much as ever. Harvest hands received this summer \$2.00 per day, and were difficult to obtain at that. Farm hands obtained from \$15 to \$20 per month. Day laborers from 75c to \$1 per day. Such prices are indeed beyond the amount paid in Virginia, but semetimes I think the Virginia laborer receives as much in one year as the Missourian does, from the fact that I expect he can obtain more constant employment. Here in Missouri such wages apply only to the cropping season, and very little hiring is done by the year, and at the end of the year the Virginia laborer has made nearly as much as the Missourian, al-though the Missourian has one great advantage by being enabled to buy his provisions at a much lower rate. Corn is now worth 26 cents per bushel and wheat for from 60 cents to 90 cents.

In regard to politics, we here in Missouri are enthusiastic for Tilden and Hendricks, and expect to carry the State by not less than 60,000 majority. The Republican party seems determined to leave no wheel unturned that will be in the interest of Hayes and Wheeler. Already they have made Tilden out a railroad shark, originator of Credit Mobelier, Tammany Ring thief, secessionist, and who knows what not. They hounded poor Greeley to death, and me thinks they are trying the same game on Tilden, but I think the old bachelor is too tough for that, and the people are getting too sharp to be caught by any such political dap-trap. I would not be surprised if they did not send down South a few more carpet-haggers to kill a dozen or two more negroes, and we will all wake up some morning and find another Hamburg effair, gotten up expressly to fire the Northern heart.

Yours, truly, MARRIED. Aug. 31, by Rev. Gen. J. Roudabush, Packi Weakly and Artemies McCauley, all of this cou

Sept. 3d. near Milnesville, by Rev. Abraham D. Sarber, John G. Landes, of Augusta, and Miss Susan Sept. 13 by Rev. J C. Hensel, Andrew B. Lago and Miss Sallie E. Roller, daughter of George W. Roller, Sept. 17th, by Rev. W. A. Whitescarver, John A. Hogshead, of Augusta, and Miss Harriet Parr, of this

DIED On Wednesday, Sept. 13, after a lingering illness of consumption, at her father's residence, near Meirose, in Rockingham county, Miss NANGY LETTIA, third daughter of Rev. Jos. and Hannala Holcomb, in the 31st year of her age, Register please copy. OBITUARY.

It is with feelings of the deepest sympathy for the living, and with fond remembrances of the dead, that we take up our per to chronicle the death of our late friend and neighbor, Mrs. SARM STRICKLER, wife of Moses Strickler, Esq., of Bridgewater. After two long months of suffering her clay encumbered spirit winged its flight to meet the God that gave it. None knew the departed dead tut to love her. Kind, charitable and benevident, in her every action, deed and thought, benevolent, in her every action, deed and thought, her willing hand and generous heart will be sadly missed by many in our town. But upon none has this and affliction fallen so heavily as upon her fond and affectionate husband, who was ever ready to cull for her the sweetest fi wers of life, but now—

"Each summer will bring with its softness a glo That will darken his life to the edge of the tomb. That will darken his life to the edge of the tomb."

Long and happy have been the years of his wedded
life; bright and beautiful were the hooes that he cherished, that she whom he had taken in the bloom of
her girlhood to his heart, might be spared to be the
partner of his declining years. But trail is the tenure
we hold upon life. And while the stars of Heaven
looked down upon a group of sad and sorrowing
friends, she passed away from joys terrestial to peace
cellestial.

She lay unconscious in dreamy sleep While her life tide was ebbing slowly; We know she would pass with the sinking sun As we watched by her pillow lowly. And vainly we waited her arewell word, But no whisper the silence stirred. Again we listened: she slumbered on t Like a leaf by the wild winds shaken, Her breathing fluttered, her pulse beat low; We feared she would never waken. As we folded her hauds to their last repeat The midnight shades desbended.

COMMERCIAL CORRECTED WEEKLY BY A. H. HELLER.

THURSDAY MORNING, Sept. 21, 1876.

Beef Cattle—Prices to day ranged as follows: Beef Cattle—Prices to day ranged as follows:

Beat Beeves:

\$4 87 a 5 40
Generally rated first quality

\$4 12 a 4 87
Medium or good fair quality

\$3 25 a 4 00
Ordinary thin Steers, Oxen and Cows...

\$2 75 a 3 26
General average of the market.

\$4 12
Extreme range of Prices...

\$7 5 a 5 40
Most of the sales were from...

\$7 5 a 5 40
Most of the sales were from...

\$7 5 a 4 50
The wholesale market was tolerably active at about the same prices as last week, but the retail trade had but little life at the beginning and it became more and more sluggish to the closs. Total receipts for the week 3429 head. Total sales 3840 head.

Sheep and Lambs—The market continues without change. There is a fair demand for good open wool stock Sheeps at former rates. We quote butcher Sheeps at 4a5c; Lambs 150a\$3.50 per head, or 4a54c per Sheep and Lambs—The market to charge. There is a fair demand for good open wool stock Sheep at former rates. We quote butcher Sheep at fasc; Lambs 1 50a\$3.57 per head, or faste per pound. Stock Sheep 2a\$3.50 per head, or faste per the week 4374 head.

Hogs—Heavier hogs are becoming somewhat more in demand in view of the advance in lard. Prices are off a full \$600, no Hogs being sold now at over \$%, and and from that down to 80. Receipts 4775 head.

CATTLE MARKETS.

GEORGETOWN, Sept. 14.—The offerings of Beef Cattle this week reached 220 head, with sales at 3 165 to per lb, with a fair demand and average quality. There were 800 8 heep and Lamba offered, and sold at 485 to per lb for old Sheep, and 2.50a \$4.50 per head for Lamba. Yery few Cows and Calves offered; quotatians from \$25a\$55.

OFFICE CO. SUP'T OF SCHOOLS,
HARRISONBURG, VA., Sept. 18, 1876.
To the Teachers of Rockingham County. To the Teachers of Rockingham County.

AVING secured the services of Mr. M. Lindon,
of Mt. Crawford, to deliver a series of FREE
LECTURES during the coming Winter at a number
of accessible points in this county, on the subject of
Comparative Physical Geography, exhibiting and explaining the use of Prof. Guyof's Wall Maps, Teachers
and patrons of the public schools stated by Mr. L.
are earnestly requested to furnish him all necessary
aid and encouragement in the prosecution of this
commendable work.

Septil-3t

Co. Supt of Schools.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE firm of Gordon & Williams has been dissolved by mutual consent, and I have purchased the entire interest of said Williams in all the claims of the said firm of every description whatever. All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the late firm are requested to come forward and settle with me at once as longer indulgence cannot be given. I can be found either at Mrs. Warren's or at my office above the Adams Express office.

J. N. GORDON, M. D. Septil-til J. N. GORDON, M. D.

New Advertisements.

COOK'S CREEK LAND FOR SALE.

N pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court Rockingham, randered at the May Term, 1876, e chancery rause of Jonathan Shater ve. Jose filman's Executor, &c., wa as Commissioners, w On Wednesday, September 20th, 1876, sell on the premises, at public and

Two Tracts of Land. tying near Dayton, in Rockingham county, contogether about \$50 ACRES.

These lands are among the very best in the typin near Jayon. In Accamenan country, containing together about 250 ACRES.

These lands are among the very best in the country in sell; are bighly improved, having two valuable brick residences thereon, with good outbuildings; fine 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 effered 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 metes and bounds.

TERMS:—So much each upon the confirmation of the sale as may be sufficient to pay complainants costs 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. 6. GRATTAN,

Commissioners.

POSTPONEMLNT. The above sale has been postponed until THUR.
DAY, QOTOBER 1978. 1876.
BO. JOHNSTON & G. G. GRATTAN,

Commissioner's Sale

PURSUANT to decree of the Circuit Court of Rock-ingham, in the cause of John Harnsberger's ad-ministrator vs Mitchell M. Harnisberger and others, rendered on the 14th day of June, 1876. I will, as com-missioner, sell at public auction in front of the Court-House in Harrisonburg, On Friday, the 20th day of October, 1876.

On Friday, the 20th day of October, 1876, the tract of about 1800 ACRES of land in said cause mentioned, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to the highest bidder.

This tract is situated near Elk Run, about three miles from Conrad's Store, in Rockingham county, and is part of the land formerly purchased by Dr. S. P. H. Miller under a decree in said cause.

TERMS:—One-third of the purchase money payable in hand; the remainder in equal payments at one and two years, bearing interest—the purchaser to execute holds with good personal security, and a lien to be retained as ultimate security.

WM, B. COMPTON, Comm'r. WASHINGTON CITY, VA. MIDLAND & GREAT SOUTHERN RAILROAD.

Double Daily Frains between Baltimore and the South and Southwest.

encing SUNDAY, SEPT. 17ris, Passenger Trains will run as follows: SOUTH BOUND. MARG: EXPRESS. 10.15 p. m 12.00 p. m 12.35 a. m 4 50 a. m. 5.38 12.25 p.m. 1.20 4 4.30 4 7.56 4 8 60 MAIL. NORTH BOUND. EXPRESS. 9 00 a. m. 9 04 ... 12.03 ... 3.17 p. m. 4.08 ... 8.18 ... 8,53 ... 10.40 ... Leave Dundee Daily "Danville...
"Lynchburg...
"Charlottesville
"Gordonsville...
Arrive at Alexandria."
"Washington...
"Baltimore....

West.
Twice daily connections with Ches. & Ohio R. R.
sastward to Richmond, and westward to Stannton,
White Sulphur and all the various Springs on that White Sulphur and all the various springs on tankline.

Elegant Parlor Cars will be run with the day trains, between Pattimore and the White Sulphur Springs, leaving Baltimore at 5.15 a.m.

Both Trains from the South connect with Ches. & Ohic at Charlettesville for the West. This is the only line running double daily trains south of Washington, and makes now the quickest time ever made—less than 50 hours between Washington and New Orleans.

MAN 48SAS DIVISION

Mail Train—Passengers leave Washington 7 15 a.m., Alexandria 7.50 a.m., and arrive at Strasburg 4 10 p.m. Leave Strasburg 6 10 a.m., arrive at Alexandria 3 10 p.m.

WARRENTON BRANCH.

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Connection to and from Warrenton with Mail Train ally and with southbound accommodation Saturday afternoon.
PULLMAN SLEEPER daily, without change between Baltimore and New Orleans, leaving Baltimore 1015p. m. Also Sleepers between Baltimore and Lynchburg, by night line.
Centennial Excursion Tickets to Philadelphia on sale, good for thirty days, and through tickets to the South and West at lowest rites.
G. J. FOREACRE, Gen. Manager.
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Everything in the way of Dry Goods Cheaper than Ever. COME! COME! COME -AND-

VIEW THE GRANDEST DISPLAY -OF-Choice, Cheap, Fashionable Dry Goods YOU EVER SAW.

gg-Headquarters for Mine. Demorest's Fashions—the leading Parisian and American ash-ions. Patterns for every kind of garment worn by both sexes, of all ages. Also, just received, Madame Demorest's Fortfolio of Fashions, and 'What to Wear.' COME AND SEE!

WE CAN'T TELL YOU THE HALF! APREMEMBER THE PLACE!-

H. E. WOOLF In front of Court-House, Sibert Building. On Hand and Arriving.

500 Tons windson Plaster

M. M. SIBERT. VALLEY PLASTER MILLS, NEAR B. & O. BAIL ROAD DEPOT.

The MISSES CAMPBELL WILL RE-OPEN THEIR SCHOOL,

On Monday, September 18 By For terms apply for circular. A few little boy Vocal and Instrumental Music.

Mrs. EVY M. POWELL Will be prepared to give lessons in VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC, se7-iv about the 1st of October.

M. SWITZER & SON have just received an-other lot of Fashionable HATS. Persons want-ing the latest styles can be supplied by calling on soptia UMBER WANTED—In exchange for a wa-2 gon. Apply to THOS. J. KERAN, uptl4-3w Harrisonburg, Va.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COMING! COMING! COMING!

Harrisonburg, Friday, September 22, 1876.

THE GREAT LONDON

PAVILION

Three Great Shows Combined

THE SANYEAH TROUPE

AL. G. FIELD'S

PANTONIMETROUPE

Numbering Twelve People. G. W. MURRAY'S

Minstrel & Dramatic Troupe Numbering Thirteen Artists.

Two Performances Daily 1 Doers open at 1 and 7 o'clock.

Performance commences at 2 and 8 o'clock.

The management being desirous of presenting something novel to their many friends, patrons and the public generally, would state that they have secured, at enormous expense, the THE INFANT PRODICY-LULU!

only 13 years of age, and pronounced by the press of London the wonder of the 19th century. She had accomplished the thrilling and miraculous fest of ascending a single wire hundreds of feet at an angle of 45 degrees. This feature of the entertainment is FREE to all, and will take place previous to the entertainment were the content and the content

J. D CLARE, General Agent. SALES.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF A HOUSE AND LOT IN HARRISONBURG.

BY virtue of a trust deed, executed by G. A. Jack-son and others to me, on the 16th of April, 1874, and of record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Rockingham, at the request of A. B. Arthur benefi-ciary, I will sell at public auction, on the premises. On Tuesday, the 16th day of October, 1876, the following property: ONE HOUSE AND LOT, situated in the Zirkle addition to the Town of Harrisenburg, at the corner of Johnson and Broad streets. However, as to No. 101, on the plat of the said Eirkle addition and now in the possession of said

said Zirkle addition and now in the possession of saids Jackson.

TERMS:—Enough cash to pay the costs of executing this trust, and to pay the amount then due on the debts therein secured, to wit: \$76.24 with interest from February 19, 1874; \$90 with interest from January 1st, 1874; \$90 with interest from Japil 1st, 1874, and \$60 with interest from July 1st, 1874, and the remainder on a credit of one and two years—the purchaser to give bond and approved security for the deferred payments. The title to said property is bettleved to be good, but selling as Trustee i will convey only such title as I have septia-ts

SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY. PY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Rodgingham county, rend red at the May Term thereof, 1876, in the chancery cause of Valentine & Frankin va. Issac Paul, &c. I will us Commissioner, sell at the front door of the Court-Rouse in Harrisonburg,
On Saturday, the 7th of October, 1876,

Brick Warehouse, situated near the Valley and Balt. & chio Railroad Depots, in the town of Harrisonburg, now occupied by G. W Tabb.

TERMS:—\$525.00 cash with interest on \$475 from December 2d, 1872, and the remainder in three equal payments at nine, eighteen and twenty-four months, with interest from day of sale; purchaser to give bonds with ample security for the deferred payments sept7-iw W. S. LURTY, Commissioner.

Commissioner's Sale PURSUANT to a decree of the Circuit Court of Rockingham county in the came of Baussman as Baussman, &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, On Friday, the 22nd day of September, 1876, an undivided half interest in a TRACT OF SEVIN ACRES OF LAND, lying near McGabessville in small county, purchased of Wm. B. Yancey.

TERMS;—One-fourth cash, and the remainder in six, twelve and eighteen mombs with interest from the day of sale; the purchaser g ving honds therefor, with approved security, and the title retained as uniformite security.

JOHN E. ROLLER, augist-is

DESIRABLE FARM FOR SALE.

HAVE a very desirable Farm for sale, containing 174 Acres, situated in Augusta county, on Na ked Creek, 3 miles from Weyer's Cave Depot on Valle-Railroad. LARGE BRICE DWILLING, large Barn, and all necessary out-buildings—all good. Two branches of Naked Creek run through the farm. A splendid OK-CHARD; good water at the loor.

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

E. J. SHOWALTER:
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VIRGINIA TO WIT:—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Hockingham County, on the 7th day of September, A. D., 1876;
John R. Bowman, adm'r of Feter Good, dee'd, Complainant, William Good, George W. Mausy as Commissioner t sell the real estate of Peter Boyer, dec'd., and as at ministrator of Peter Boyer, dec'd....... Defendants IN CHANCERY, ON AN ATTACHBENT,

The object of this suit is to recover of the defendant william Good the sum of \$64.89%, with interest there on from the 6th of September, 1861, until paid, and to attach his estate in the hands of the other defendants and subject it to the payment of said debts and coise. And affidavit being made that the defendant William Good 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 Plaintiff's bill, 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 this 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 Courty Court of said County.

Teste:

Septid-iw

J. H. SHUE, C. C. C. S. C. Boller, p. q. IN CHANCERY, ON AN ATTACEMENT,

OFFICE OF FRANKLIN DAVIS & CO.: 1009 Main Street, RICHMOND, Va., Aug. 28, 1876.

TO THE PUBLIC.

TO Martin Propet and Malinda his in such case indeed and provided, I shall move the tirrent Court of Rockingham county, on the first day of the October Term next, for permission to remove the proceeds arising from the sale of the real estate of Albert Joseph and Sarah Jane Joseph, infant children of Albert Joseph, dec'd, to the State of West Virginia, wherein the said infant children now reside.

HENRY KENSTER, Guardian of Allen and Sarah Jane Joseph.

BY COUNSEL.

CHANGE OF PROPRIETORS. HOUSE IN THOR-SPOTSWOOD HOTEL.

HARRISONBURG, VA. YANCEY & LOWENBACH. . Proprietors. S. M. BOWMAN, Manager. B. McCENEY, Clerk. A: Entertainment first-class. Special attention to the comfort of guests. Omnibus to and from all the trains. Telegraph office in the Hotel. CHAS. A. TANCET; J. A. LOWENBACH. [Septis.]

For Sale. H OUSE AND LOTS on the Hill. Handsome, con venient and comfortable residence, with flower and fruits in abundance. Also several lots for sale of the s WM. H. WESCHE,

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AP Office over the Store of Long & HELL Terms, of Subscription : TWO DOLLARS PER YEAR IN ADVANCE Advertising Rates:

aquare, (ten lines of this type,) one insertion, et sky months,.... THARLY ADVERTMENTER \$10 for the first square \$5.00 fo such additional square per year. PROPERSIONAL CARDS \$1.00 lines o feen \$5 per year. tonal. Camps \$1.00 a line per year. For five LEGAL ADVERTREMENTS the legal fee of \$5.00.

SPECIAL OF LOCAL NOTICES 15 cents per line. All advertising bills due to advance. Yearly adverti-sers discontinuing before the close of the year, will be charged transient rates.

Job Printing. We are prepared to do Job Printing of all kinds low rates, you case. Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Valley Branch. GOING EAST:

GOING WEST: Valley Railroad.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Count Day .- Not for yours has Harrisonburg seen such a "Court Day" as on Monday last. It seemed as though the whole county had turned out. Farmers could do nothing at home, and as the attractions in town were great a large number gathered here on that

The main attraction was a speech by Hon. Montgomery Blair, of Meryland, one of the first men of the country. Besides this, Prof. Sample, the horse trainer, had announced a free exhibition and lecture, the Reformers were to have a pole-raising, and the Republicans a county convention. From early in the morning until near sunset the crowd was immense. Prof. Sample's audience must have numbered five or six hundred; the auctioneers all had respectable crowds around them, while hundreds of people were around on the streets, in stores, offices and in

About one o'clock Prof. Clary's Band played several lively airs in the Court House Yard, while crowds of people eager to get good seats, hastened into the Court House. The Court room was packed before a-fourth could gain admittance, and it was then determined that Mr. Blair should address the people from the Clerk's office steps. The Band leading the way, an immense crowd followed. Mr. Blair made a telling speech, which is reported else-

After the meeting Prof. Sample held forth again, driving a wild horse he had just broken in the presence of his class on the outskirts of town. Then came the pole-raising, amid cheers and huzzas of the vast crowd which lined the street in the vicinity of the spot where the pole was erect.

The Republicans held a county convention, but it did not diminish the crowd to an appreciable extent. A report of it will be found elsewhere, also.

SENATOR WITHERS IN HARRISONBURG -A very large crowd greeted Hon. Robt. E. Withers at the Court House on Friday night last. After a few airs by Clary's Band, Gen. Roller, President of the Reform Club, in a few graceful remarks introduced the Senator to the vast audience, and vociferous cheers rent the air when he appeared.

He said he came to have a quiet talk with them on the issues of the campaign, and in a calm, dispassionate manner reviewed the records of the two parties and compared the rival candidates for President. He supported his statements from the records, and by the utterances of Morton, Boutwell and others on the floer of the Senate. Among his auditors were quite a numaddressed some of his remarks.

His speech was replete with facts and argument, and made a fine impression.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION. - We thought there was some virtue in the Republican party, but our faith in it has been wonderfully shaken recently. In our notice of the Republican Convention to nominate a candidate for Congress we stated that it would be held in Harrisonburg on the 10th of October. That was what we had learned, but to make sure that we were right showed it to one of the purest Republicans we could find. He read it, pronounced it correct, and added a few lines to it. Now it turns out that it was a mistake. The Convention will be held in Staunton on the 29th inst. That is always the way. Allow a Republican to write an item for you, and your paper will contain one of the component parts of

LECTURES AT EDOM.—Prof. Ben. Hyde Benton, of the New Market Polytechnic Institute, will deliver two lectures at Edom. The first on Chemistry, on Saturday evening next; the second on any manner rebuked him for it. The Sauday evening on Bible Signs. The Republican party itself could not be people of that section have a treat in | trusted to reform the abuses which per-

HON. MONTGOMERY BLAIR.

HIS ADDRESS ON MONDAY.

This distinguished gentleman addressed a large audience in the Court House Yard on Monday, in a clear, frank and forcible speech on the issues of the Presidential canvass. His great sagacity and long experience in public affairs, the various positions which he has heretofore filled, and his independent course on political questions, all mark him out as a man eminently fit to instruct his countrymen in the present crisis, and invest his opinions with peculiar interest and importance.

Mr. Blair was for many years prior to the repeal of the Missouri compromise in 1854, a distinguished member of the Democratic party. He was a leading member of the Missouri delegation to the Demogratic National Convention of 1852, which nominated Franklin Pierce for President. After the repeal of the Missouri Compromise he acted for many years with the Republican party, and was Post Master General in Mr. Lincoln's Cabinet from 1861 to 1864. But, the views of a majority of the Cabinet at that time being too ultra for him, he resigned his posi-

.He commenced his address by expressing the gratification which it gave him to meet the people of the Valley of Virginia. As in past political contests he had felt it his duty on former occasions to act with the Republican party and in opposition to the views then held by his hearers, he was glad to believe that their invitation to him to address them at this time, implied at least confidence in the sincerity and honesty of his course when he had thought the highest interests of his country required that he should cooperate with their political antagonists.

Adverting to the enormous expenditures, corruption and extravagance of the Federal Government for some years past, he said that all the great interests of the country been prostrated and impoverished by the high taxes thus endered necessary. He stated that during a period of seventy-one years, from 1789 to 1860, the United States expended for all purposes, including the wars with Tripoli, England, Mexico and the Indians, and the purchase of Louisiana, Florida and California. \$1,446,125,785.10. For the nine years ending June 30, 1875, it cost \$1,396, 806,548.57.

Mr. Blair said he felt great admira tion for General Grant, but he was a most expensive luxury. He did not think Gen. Grant was worth as much to the country as California, Louisiana or Florida.

Mr. Blair stated that it had been for some time the practice to assess a tax also upon government contractors, in order to raise a fund for electioneering purposes for the benefit of the Republican party. He commented with much severity upon this as not only illegal, but as grossly demoralizing and corrupting in its tendencies.

He also denounced in very strong terms the course of the administration in endeavoring to use the military to influence the elections at the South. The enforcement act, under which the circular of the Attorney General was prepared, had been solemnly declared to be unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of the United States. He called particular attention to the fact that in the Southern States which were under the courts of the Democratic party, such as Maryland and Virginia, it was not pretended that there was any interfer-

ence with the right of the colored man to vote. It was only in the State which were under carpet-bag govern ment, as in South Carolina and Louisi ana, that it was alleged that attempts were made to prevent the colored man from voting, or to intimidate him in the exercise of the elective franchise The true explanation of the employ-

ment of troops in the South to influence the elections, was that in the States under carpet-bag government, the negroes were deserting the Repub lican party, colored Democratic league ber of colored people, and to them he had been formed, and in Charleston, S. C, an attempt had been made to break up one of their organizations by violence, and the real object of employ ing troops in the South, was to keep the colored voters in subjection to the carpet-baggers.

Mr. Blair said there was no party ssue now before the country. The true issue was reform in the administration. He did not think there was any hope of reform from Gov. Hayes. He believed that gentleman as President would be as second Grant. If elected he would be in the hands and under the control of Morton, Blaine, Conkling, and the office holders of the Republi can party. Did anybody believe Gov. Haves would remove the eighty thousand office holders? Had he ever been heard of as a reformer or as an opponent of any abuses when a member of Congress? He had been Governor of Ohio. Were there no thieves in that State? He had done nothing in the way of reform there. Recently Kilpatrick had written to Hayes from Indiana that a "bloody shirt and more money" were needed to carry the election in that State, and Hayes had never in

ment. Recently Bristow had made himself conspicuous in the prosecution of the whiskey ring. But the Republicans not only did not nominate him for President at Cincinnati on that account, but they forced him to resign his seat in the Cabinet of President Grant

On the other hand, when in the State of New York, Mr. Tilden had broken down the Tweed Ring, the Democrats of that State had made him Governor to manifest their appreciation of his services. Mr. Tildea, as Governor of New York, had also broken up the Canal Ring and reduced the expenses of the State Government from \$16,000,-000 to \$8,000,000 per annum. His eminent services in the State of New York as a reformer had marked him out to the Democracy of the United States as their candidate for the Presidency, and as the most suitable man to reform the national administration. Mr. Blair predicted with great confidence that, in the event of Mr. Tilden's election to the Presidency, he would in two years reduce the ordinary expenses of the government to one-half what they now are, without in any manner impairing the efficiency of any branch of the publie service, but that on the contrary the government in all its departments would be far more efficient than at present, and fifty times as honest.

In concluding, Mr. Blair highly complimented the people of this section which as long ago as Mr. Jefferson's time had been known as the Tenth Legion of Democracy. They were not only the Gibraltar of Democracy, but they would be the Gibrallar of any cause which they might espouse. They were the men who filled up the ranks of Stonewall Jackson's army, and did the fighting which made that army so famous. He had himself felt their might on one occasion during the war, when they paid him a visit which he could not stay at home to receive; but they had left their card for him in the smouldering ruins of his dwelling. Mr B. exhorted his hearers to put forth their utmost efforts and do all in their power to make their influence felt in behalf of Tilden, Hendricks and Re-

We have only adverted briefly to some of the prominent points of Mr. Blair's address. He commanded the undivided attention of his audience throughout his entire speech, and left a most favorable impression in regard to himself upon our people.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION .- The Republicans of Rockingham county held a convention on Monday in the colored Baptist Church. C. D. Gray presided and Wm. P. Grove acted as secretary.

meeting to be to select delegates to s district convention to be held in Staunton on the 29th inst. to more thoroughly organize the party in the district and to nominate a candidate for Congress should it be deemed advisable. Delegaets were chosen as follows: Central District .- Dr. W. J. Points.

Jos. T. Williams; alternates, R. R. Andrews, Harrison Greene. Linville District .-- Henry Frazier

Henry Beery; alternates, Henry Coram H. Beery, Sr. Ashby District .- A. L. Lindsey, Pres

ton Gavin; alternates, John Foley, Wm. White. Stonewall District .- Chas. H. Lewis, St. Clair Poindexter; alternates, Wm.

Reed, Huston Beazley. Plains District .- Geo. W. Fulk, Sam uel Brauson; alternates, Lee Allen, J.

A resolution was offered recommend ing C. Douglass Gray to the delegates as eminently qualified for a Congressional candidate. This caused some discussion, participated in by A. L. Lindsey, Dr. Points, Giles Jackson, B. B. Botts, W. P. Grove, C. D. Gray and Rev. Mr. Drew. A substitute was offered and adopted that the delegates should go to the convention untrammeled by instructions. It was understood that there was no opposition to Mr. Gray, and the party will support him should he be the nominee.

THE SENSATION in Harrisonburg on Court Day morning was a lecture on the Horse by Prof. Sample. After driving up and down Main street several times, with his dog on the back of one of his horses, he balted on the Square opposite the COMMONWEALTH office, and for two hours harangued the immense crowd which congregated. Prof. Sam. ple as a street orator is a success, and if he pleased those who joined his class on horse-training as well as he did his vast audience, he is a success as a horse

After his class was made up, he exhibited his trained dog, which by command of his owner performed many feats, greatly amusing the crowd, who attested their appreciation by shouts of laughter and bursts of applause.

COMMITTED TO JAIL UPON A SERIOUS CHARGE.-W. H. Wooddell, residing near Mt. Solon, was committed to jail in Staunton on Saturday evening last, upon the charge of baving at the pistol's mouth coerced from Benjamin Karricoff bonds to the amount of some \$900, on a charge of improper intimacy with his wife. The affair has created Senator Withers, Gen. John Echols, quite a commetion in the Mt. Solon | Col. Jas. H. Skinner, Col. C. T. O'Fervades every department of this govern- neighborhood.

NEXT COURT DAY .- Politically, next Court Day will be a great day in Harrisonburg, should the arrangements now proposed be carried out. As announced elsewhere, the Hon. John W. Daniel, of Lynchburg, will be here to speak in the interest of Tilden, Hendricks and Reform, and the Republicans, we learn, will endeavor to get Ex-Secretary B. H. Bristow, of Kentucky, to meet him. It is hoped they will succeed in getting Mr. Bristow here. The Democrats have no fears of their cause being injured by Mr. Bristow, when it is upheld by Mr. Daniel, and the discussion no doubt will be interesting.

LEG BROKEN.-On Monday morning last Jacob Trussle, residing in the neighborhood of Dale Enterprise, had his right leg broken. He had come to Harrisonburg, and took his horse to the hitching yard in the rear of Robr, Sprinkle & Co's hardware store. Whilst riding in the yard, he rode near some horses that were hitched there, one of which kicked at his horse, and striking him on the leg broke both bones of the right leg between the knee and ankle. The fracture was of a serious character. and was reduced by Drs. Williams and Neff. The unfortunate man was taken home in the evening.

RAINES-O'DONNELL MURDER CASE .-The trial of Henry Raines for the murder of John L. O'Donnell, near Port Republic some seven or eight years ago, ommenced in the County Court on Tuesday last. All other business of the Court was postponed until to-morrow. but as there are thirty or forty witnesses on each side to be examined it is probable that the case will occupy the Court the entire week. Paul for the Commonwealth; Daingerfield, Compton and Strayer for the defence.

ROBBERY .- On Thursday night last 4th inst., Mrs. McGlaughlin, residing at the toll-house on the Warm Springs Turnpike, one mile southwest of this place, was robbed of a ham and some butter. On the same night, Mr. W H. Whitaker, who resides near by, was robbed of some chickens and pigeons and a basket in which to carry off the stolen property. The basket was found near an out-house on the "Duckwall" property, south end of town, the next morning.

In another column will be found a letter from Prof. Jed. Hotchkiss, on the iron and coal formations of North River Gap. His report, just as we expected it would, after a visit to that rich mineral section, confirms the statements of Rogers, Fontaine and Stevens. We have neither time nor space for further comment. To those interested in the development and improvement of this section his letter prove interesting.

TEMPERANCE SERMON .- By invitation the Rev. Wm. A. Whitescarver will preach a temperance sermon before Young Crusader's Temple, No. 2, Juvenile Templars, at the Baptist Church in this place, on Sunday, October 1st, 1876, at 11 o'clock A. M. Temperance men and women, and all others will find this an interesting occasion and should attend.

TILDEN AND HENDRICES POLE.—The new Tilden and Hendricks pole was raised on Monday last, under the supervision of Mr. Samuel Pence, of Mt. Crawford. It is a handsome pole. stands 140 feet high, and floats streamer bearing the names of Tilden and Hendricks. A handsome flag will be run up as soon as one can be pro-

THE EQUINOCTIAL STORM which com nenced here last week extended all along the Atlantic seaboard from Maine to Florida, and its violence in some places caused great damage to property. Streams rose very high, and mills, dams and other property were washed away. Considerable damage to shipping at sea is also reported.

HON JOHN W. DANIEL, of Lynchburg, Elector-at-Large, will address the citizens of Rockingham on October 16th -Court Day. Mr. Daniel, though a young man, ranks with the first orators of the State, and all will be well repaid who come to hear him present the claims of Tilden and the Reform party.

TRESTLED WORK WASHED OUT .- During Sunday or Sunday night three spans of trestle work on the Valley Railroad, about two miles from town. were washed out. In consequence of this there was some disarrangement in the running of the trains. The trestle work was promptly repaired on Mon-

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONFER-MCE.-Wm. Milnes, jr., S. R. Sterling, J. W. F. Allemong and C. W. Brubaker have been elected lay delegates from the Rockingham District to the next annual session of the Baltimore Conference. The alternates are Jos. Funkhouser, J. P. Houck, S. C. Switzer and C. W. Hunter.

THE CONSERVATIVE RALLY at Grove Hill, Page county, was a grand success. There were about one thousand people present, and speeches were made by rall, and Capt. H. H. Riddleberger.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNTY COURT-Hon. C. T. O'Ferrall presiding .- Milton Taylor qualified as guardian of D. Ella and John R. Trumbo.

Powers of Sheriff as adm'r of Rebe ca C. Branner, dec'd, revoked, and J. J. Branner qualified as such administrator.

Wm. Ruebush qualified as sole exesutor of Martha Ruebush, dec'd. Will of Christina Miller admitted to probate, and the administration of the estate committed to D. H. Rolston.

John S. Rineheart, on indictment for misdemeanor, confessed judgment for one cent and costs.

Wm. Ruebush qualified as guardian of his son, Mathias Brown Ruebush. Abel D. Stone qualified as administrator of Sarah Byerly, dec'd. J. J. Miller qualified as guardian for

his son, J. M. H. Miller. Wm. Swartz qualified as guardian of his children, Emma Jane and David

Swartz. Rev. James A. Evans, of United Brethren Church in Christ, executed bond to celebrate the rites of matrimo

The Grand Jury made the following indictments, viz

Against James Goodloe for felony Same vs. same for larceny. Same vs same for petit larceny—three cases. Against Harvey Lotterberry and Henry Williams for felony. Same vs. same for burglary.

RAILBOAD NOTES, &c .- The preliminary survey of the Harrisonburg and Fredericksburg Railroad has been completed. Two lines have been run, and the work of making out estimates, &c. to determine which line to occupy is the next work of the engineering corps.

The property owners along the line in this county are manifesting much interest in the enterprise, and afteen of them have donated the right of way through their lands.

Work of mining is still going on a the Dora Coal Mines. An engine for pumping and other mining machinery will be sent there next week. We learn that the Royal Land Company intend mining coal for the local mar-

Regarding the Fredericksburg end of the route all the items of interest will be found in the "Brevity" column.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS of Harrisonburg are open. The female graded school pened on Monday with about twentyfive pupils, and the male school on Tuesday morning with about sixteen. The teachers of the male school are B. F. Mackall, principal; Benj. Funk, first assistant; Miss Lydia Vanpelt,

second assistant. The two colored Monday, also, with large attendance They are taught by Geo. C. Newman. R. C. Minor, Maria F. Jackson and -

Haskins. Besides the public schools, the private schools of the Misses Campbell, Mrs. P. Bryan, Miss Mollie McQuaide and E. A. Legg all began their session on Monday.

HEBREW NEW YEAR .- On Monday evening at sunset began the Hebrew Festival of Rosh Hoshanah, or beginning of the New Year, 5637. The Hebrews of Harrisonburg closed up their places of business in observance of the occasion, and kept holiday until yesterday evening at sunset. To-day week is the day of Atonement, which will also be observed as a holiday.

SALES OF REAL ESTATE.-E. S. Conrad, as commissioner, sold on Monday last, a tract of fifteen acres of land four miles from McGaheysville, to Archibald Sipe for \$435.

On the same day the same commis sioner sold a house and lot in Mc Gabeysville, belonging to the estate of Samuel Lindamood, deceased, to Peter Hile, for \$107.50.

LAND SALE .- James Steele, auctioneer, sold for G. French Compton, commissioner, about 130 acres of J. Wal-West's home farm, on Smith's Creek to Jacob N. Cowan for \$16 per acre.

The German Vote.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, under date of September 13th, writes: The reason why the German vote of

Ohio and Indiana is arrayed against Gov. Hayes is very easy of solution. Gov. Hayes a few weeks ago wrote letter endorsing to the utmost the principles of "American Alliance," which seems, is the lawful successor of the defunct know-nothing party. This organization favors the limiting of the suffrage to native-born citizens, and Gov. Hayes over his own signiture wrote that he "deeply sympathized with its principles." Carl Schurz was correct when he said that the German vote "is lost to us." This loss insures the October States to the democrats, notwithstanding that every nerve is being strained by the republican managers. Within the last few days large sums of money bave been sent from here to both Indiana and Ohio to be used in the republican cause. It was stated to-day that \$30,000 had been also sent to West Virginia.

If Mr. Wheeler's speeches yet to be that speech of his in Vermont, the suspicion will be warranted that he is opposed to the Cincinnati ticket .- Phila delphia Times.

General Franz Sigel has gone Ohio te spreak for Tilden.

BREVITIES

No cases in the Mayor's court this week Harrisonburg has eight schools in ope ion-four public and four private. The crowd in town on Monday was the

argest for a number of years past The State Medical Society of Virginia will meet in Charlottesville on October 17th

The oyster season has opened. The Gen and Magnolia Saloons receive them daily. Prof. Clary's Band serenaded the new Tilden and Hendricks pole on Monday night. The "Pavilion Show"-three shows in one

-will exhibit in Harrisonburg to-morrow, The Valley Normal School, at Bridgewater, opened last week, with fifty-eight pu-

G. French Compton, of this place, was admitted to practice in the Court of Appeals, Staunton, last week. Lewis A. Caricoff has been appointed post-

master at Doe Hill, Highland county, vice John C. Jones, resigned. Hon. Montgomery Blair was given a sere-nade on Monday night, at the residence of

Judge Harris, by Prof. Clary's Band. The new Methodist church at Mt. Crawford will be dedicated on Sunday next, the 24th inst. Conference and preaching on Sat-

urday. We would suggest to the business men of Harrisonburg the propriety of removing a few of the empty boxes which line the sidewalks.

Two trains run daily on the Harrisonburg and Fredericksburg Railroad, between Fredericksburg and Parkers, a distance of eight-

A number more were added to the Boll of Honor on the books of the Tilden and Hendricks Reform Club of Harrisonburg on Friday night last

Eight miles more are ready for the rails on the Harrisonburg and Fredericksburg Railroad. Cars will be running to Orange Court House in a short time.

Quite a number of persons expect to go the Centennial on the excursion train on Monday next, and it promises to be as much a success as the former one.

The Polytechnic Institute at New Market opened last week with sixty pupils, representing five States. A number more are expected before the close of the month.

Judging from the huge piles of boxes on the pavements, we presume our merchants have laid in unusually large stocks of goods and anticipate large sales. Prices are low. We call the attention of the Rawley Springs and Harrisonburg Turnpike Company to the bad condition of their road out West Market Street. It should be repaired

Gideon Brubaker, living in Page county, on Tuesday of last week, had one of his legs torn off in a threshing machine while threshing Mr. Abram Brubaker's crop, five miles

The second excursion to the Centennia Exposition will leave Harrisonburg next Monday morning at 7:30. A train to connect with the excursion train at this place will be run on the Valley Railroad.

B. F. Duane, X. T. K. so delighted the cit izens of Staunton last month they have invited him to come again. In connection with Stonewall Band he will give two entertainments in Granger Hall on the 28th and Barton Jones has been awarded the con

tract to complete the grading from Parkers to Orange Court House, on the Harrisonburg and Fredericksburg Railroad, fourteen miles His bid was \$9000, consequently there cannot be much work to do

Col. R. E. Withers, U. S. Senator, made convincing Tilden and Hendricks speech be fore the Harrisonburg Reform Club on Fri day night last. The Court House was crowded, and in the gallery were a large number of colored people.

S. D. Karns, of Parker City, Pa., President of railroads, banks, telegraph companies &c., including the Royal Land Company of Virginia, the Virginia Telegraph Company and Harrisonburg and Fredericksburg Railroad, was in town several days last wee ..

There are four prisoners in the Page county jail. A vote was taken last week and three were for Hayes and one for Tilden .-Hayes' majority would have been larger, but a day or two previous two of his supporters were taken to the Penitentiary at Richmond

Black's Run was much swollen on Sunday last in consequence of the heavy rains, . The foot-bridge on Rock street, in this town, was washed out of place, but was not carried off Fences along the course of the stream were damaged to some extent. It was the highest the water has been for twelve months.

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Linville, Va., Aug. 3, 1876. E. SIPE. THE OLD RELIABLE

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ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VA. Mr. G. W. Bunker, Suverintendent Sm: We, a committee appointed at a meeting of the guests of Rawley, held in the parlors of the Virginia Hotel, August 18, 1876, in obedience to their appreciation of the dignified, gentlewhich they have been received and en. tertained during their brief sojourn at this delightful summer resort, and also to express their approval of the efficiency in which the various departments have been managed, and espe-

We shall ever remember with pleasure your "Grand Centennial Ball;" the decorations and supper were recherche and complete, reflecting credit not only upon yourself, but also upon the officers and directors of the Eawley Springs Hotel Company. Occupying a position where the interest of the Hotel Company and comfort and enjoyment of the quests are to be equally attended to and considered, we heartily congratulate you on your success in

meeting the requirements of both.

Wishing you much happiness and prosperity, we remain respectfully, &c., Walter W. Burdette, Washington, D. G. Nat. Evin, Burlington, Iowa; J. F. Thompson, Washington, D. C.; M. Call, Maine; George Watt. Richmond; Robert Atkinson, Baltimore, and twenty other gentlemen from all sections of the country.

The letter being read, was unanimously adopted, and Mr. McIntire moved that, in consideration of the ex-treme bashfulness of Mr. Bunker, a committee of three ladies be appointed to request his attendance. Captain White, of Norfolk, chair-

man, announced as the committee Mrs. Fox. Mrs. Kirkland and Mrs. Curtiss It was suggested that Mr. Bunker had remarked that he hoped they would not use force, as he would have to surrender to the ladies.

The committee soon returned with Mr. Bunker, who was introduced by the chairman and greeted with applause. Mr. Bunker remarked he was glad to be introduced to the ladies and gentlemen. Mr. Burdette then, in behalf of the committee and the guests. with a few appropriate remarks, pre-sented him with the letter, to which

Mr. Bunker replied: COMMITTEE, AND Lapres and Gentlemen: I thank you most sincerely for this flattering testimonial that I have received at your hands, and I believe from your hearts, too. I shall always hold in grateful remembrance this high appreciation of my readiness to discharge my duties here, and as you, in the kinduess of your hearts, have not forbear the tient and burden of the day with whom I must divide these honors, and to them I will make a kindly mention of the praise von bestow. I thank you again most sincerely in their behalf, and hope that the closing of the present season if not as remanerative

as the preceding seasons, will be rich with kindly remembrances that will return tenfold, like bread cast upon the waters. You have no doubt no-ticed my absence this evening. It has been cursed because I, like all great men, have been preparing my speech; but, unfortunately, I have forgotten if, and must get you to excuse me while I go for it, agent be a same and a same

Gen. M. Jeff. Thompson, whose death at St. Joseph. Mo., has already been announced was a native of Jeffer on county, Va., having been born at Harper's Ferry. About thirty years ago Gen. Thompson, then about twentyfive years of age, moved to the State of Missouri, and took up his residence at St. Joseph, where he participated actively in politics, and was elected to several positions of responsibility. Thompson was a strong pro-slavery man, and was charged with command ing raids into Kansas. At the com-mencement of the late war he raised a brigade of cavalry, was commissioned a brigadier general in the Confederate service and was engaged in several heavy engagements in Missouri and Arkansas. After the war Gen. Thompson settled in New Orleans, and at the time of his death was engineer of the State of Louisiana, in which position he labored with zeal for the improvement of the Mississippi levees.

Friday night, in Danville, while a Conservative meeting was in full blast-one C. J. Malord, an Ethiopian rep-resentative of Grant's mail service, advanced to the stand and requested a division of time, as he wished to represent the Republican troops. Malord took a seat on the platform, and being drunk as a boiled owl, soon fell asleep. When the meeting broke up he was put in a wheel-barrow and carted to the station house. What Grant will say to this detention of a United States male, remains to be seen. Malord is mail agent on the Danville railroad, is quite a blatant politician, having far more brass than brains. - Petersburg Post, Sept. 6. is blowed HW ; hast ett wit be

PLATT THROWN OVERBOARD BY HIS PARTY -The Republicans of Norfolk city held a meeting Tuesday night and adopted resolutions repudiating James H. Platt on account of his connection with the "Paxton" letters. The resolutions thus conclude: These, therefore, being Mr. Platt's confessions, we express our condemnation of his action in the premises as unbecoming a gentleman, a statesman, and a good

Dr. Bayne spope over two hours, and "was unsparing in his denunciations of General Paxton-Platt."

Gen. Crook has followed the Indian trails until he has become bewildered. At last accounts the trails were so numerous and verged in every direction Crook was setting down counting the trails and calculating how many Indians to a trial.

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PROFESSIONAL CARDS. JAMES KENNEY,

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