





# OLD COMMONWEALTH

HARRISONBURG, VA.  
THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 13, 1888

## DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

FOR STATE SENATE:  
GEORGE B. KEZEL.  
FOR HOUSE OF DELEGATES:  
CAPT. GEORGE G. GRATTAN,  
JOHN F. SOULE.

## DEMOCRATIC COUNTY COMMITTEE.

ASHBY DISTRICT.  
A. Shuttles, M. Strickler, W. H. Blake  
more, B. F. Ritchie, M. J. Moylehoeffer.

CENTRAL DISTRICT.  
C. T. O'Fernal, J. R. Eastham, J. S.  
Harnsberger, W. M. Loewenbach, James  
M. Lineweaver.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.  
W. R. McKee, Chas. P. Brock, J. B.  
Gangwer, Joseph Wenger, J. R. Price.

PLAINS DISTRICT.  
P. W. Pugh, Erasmus Neff, George Wit-  
ting, A. H. Fulk, Jno. Harrison.

STONEWALL DISTRICT.  
Z. D. Gilmore, C. S. Gildons, H. H.  
Spindle, Dr. G. W. Kemper, C. W. S.  
Turner.

W. H. RITENOUR, Chairman.  
J. K. Smith, Secretaries.  
J. P. Kerr.

## DEMOCRATIC COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

W. H. Ritenour, chairman, ex-officio.  
J. S. Harnsberger,  
Geo. P. Eastham,  
Wm. M. Loewenbach,  
Chas. T. O'Fernal.

## PRECINCT COMMITTEES.

At a meeting of the Democratic County  
Committee held in Harrisonburg on Mon-  
day, September 3, 1888, the following  
named gentlemen were appointed Precinct  
Committeemen for the precincts in Rock-  
ingham county:

PLAINS DISTRICT.  
Broadway—J. M. Garber, E. S. Pen-  
nington, Eugene West, Dr. J. M. H. Stov-  
er, Wm. Minnich.

Cootes Store—Dr. J. G. Cootes, J. Henry  
Smith, John C. Sprinkle, Jos. N. Riddle,  
J. H. Neff, Moses Archer, Harrison Smith.

Timberline—Chas. E. Fahney, B. F.  
Garber, J. C. Henkel, John Wampler, S. S.  
Parker.

Wittig's Store—Israel Ceppling, Philip  
Souder, Ahab Dove, Henry Wittig, Isaac  
Fink.

Tenth Legion—George Harrison, Wm. G.  
Brown, Reuben Kuntz, J. W. Taylor, D.  
G. Martz, Julius Silbert, C. G. Jennings.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.  
Hoover's Shop—Philip Shoemaker, Henry  
Shoemaker.

Singer's Glen—J. B. Gangwer, C. H.  
Long, S. L. Rice, F. K. Kildow, M. J.  
Bixler.

Edom—J. C. Beery, Joseph Geil, Jacob  
Baxter, David Beard, Col. E. Sipe.

McLure—H. B. Armentrout, J. R. Bow-  
man, J. F. Cherryholmes, Wm. Sellers,  
Michael Alleghany.

Mountain Valley—Geo. W. Yancy, B. F.  
Armentrout, C. W. Burley, John Boyers,  
Henry Bennett.

ASHBY DISTRICT.  
Moyher's Store—C. A. Van Lear, B.  
F. Sauley, W. T. Carpenter, W. H. Wine,  
James M. Sauley.

Cross Keys—Dr. E. A. Herring, W. S.  
Slusser, Samuel L. Slusser, Peter S. Good,  
Wm. A. Showalter, James Scott, Phineas  
Stickle.

Pleasant Valley—R. C. Cleveland, Peter  
Kaylor, Martin Dellinger, George Huff-  
man, P. C. Tutwiler.

Mt. Crawford—Geo. H. Hulvey, Henry  
W. Roller, S. B. McFall, Geo. W. Showal-  
ter, Jos. Craven.

Bridgegate—S. G. Driver, J. H. Wy-  
nant, Adam May, Andrew Miller, H. C.  
Hale.

Dayton—John M. Sheets, A. C. Fish-  
back, Lewis S. Byrd, Preston Coakley, H.  
C. Devier, E. Cromer, J. S. McLeod.

Ottobine—T. M. Trussell, Jacob Shickel,  
Lucius C. Haney, B. F. Cromer, James A.  
Funk, Daniel Cupp, Joseph Myers, Geo.  
L. Croushorn.

CENTRAL DISTRICT.  
Keelestown—Aug. Armentrout, N. B. B.  
Hannah, W. H. Clatterback, Jacob C.  
Funkhouser, George Grubill, Humphrey  
Shughrue.

Mt. Clinton—James C. Heltzel, Dr. J. S.  
Curry, J. H. Frank, L. C. Hopkins, D. R.  
Cromer, S. J. Dundore, E. A. Bare.

Harrisonburg—Win. Liggett, Sam'l Coff-  
man, H. V. Strayer, B. E. Coe, W. W. Rol-  
ler, E. S. Strayer, M. O. Crabbill, J. M.  
Royer.

STONEWALL DISTRICT.  
McGuheville—J. A. Hammen, C. M.  
Kilian, J. H. Berry, Brown Crawford,  
Frank Shaver, Jos. Armentrout, Geo. R.  
Ergenbright.

Port Republic—Wilson Harper, Thos.  
Maupin, Jefferson Nicholas, John W.  
Blackburn, R. A. Scott.

Furnace No. 2—Sebastian Propp, J. N.  
Cloud, E. C. Dearing, Benjamin Hancy,  
Conrad's Store—J. A. Hammer, W. C.  
Long, Dives Shifflett, W. E. Kite, Wm. H.  
Marshall, Walter H. Miller, J. T. Turner,  
T. K. Harnsberger.

W. H. RITENOUR, Chairman.  
J. K. Smith, Secretaries.  
J. P. Kerr.

## DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETINGS.

There will be Democratic Mass Meet-  
ings held in the Court House, in Harrison-  
burg, on September and October County  
Court days, at 1 o'clock, p. m. The meet-  
ings will be addressed by distinguished  
Democratic speakers. Hon. John E. Mas-  
sey and Gen. James G. Field will speak  
on Monday, September 12th.

"The utterances of Gen. Mahone and of  
his intimate friend, Col. Brady, the chair-  
man of the republican executive committee  
of Virginia, ought to satisfy every fair-  
minded man that any republican who is  
presented by the national convention can  
depend on the entire anti-bourbon vote of  
Virginia."—Washington Republican.

## THE WAR WAS BROUGHT ON BY FANATICISM.

Democracy would have avoided it by com-  
promise and equitable settlement. The ef-  
forts of the Virginia Committee, and of  
such distinguished gentlemen as Senator  
John J. Crittenden, of Kentucky, and con-  
servative men from various sections of the  
country, were all spurned by the Republi-  
can administration. A settlement could  
have been made if reason had controlled;  
but fanaticism prevailed and a long, bloody  
war followed.

The eyes of all Virginians throughout  
the world are turned to the old Mother  
State this Fall in anxious expectancy that  
her past glory will be maintained by a  
rousing Democratic victory.

Hayes was not elected and was a fraudu-  
lent President, yet he gave us a fair ad-  
ministration. Garfield would have been a  
pretty good President, very probably, but  
the Republicans killed him. Arthur suc-  
ceeded to the Presidency by fraud, and  
has been tried long enough. From Grant  
on they have been going down hill in po-  
litical character, and in the quality and  
moral character of their standard bearers,  
until the American people are ashamed by  
the debauchery of the present occupant of  
the White House. A change is demanded.

The so-called Readjusters of the Valley  
of Virginia should look up Mahone's re-  
cord in opposition to the charter of the  
Valley Railroad. Those who live on the  
line of the Shenandoah Valley should do  
likewise.

The Democrats of Rockingham are work-  
ing to the perfect organization of the party,  
and the program, as laid down by the  
Lynchburg Convention, will be closely  
followed. The enthusiasm in our ranks is  
indicative of work, and work means vic-  
tory. The Democracy realize this, and the  
manner in which the boys roll up their  
sleeves and pitch in shows that they mean  
business. Never since 1869 have the De-  
mocrats of this county been as determined  
and active, and if the enemy have done no  
other good, they have at least set us an  
example as to how to win a victory, and we  
propose to profit by our schooling. We  
intend to do our level best to redeem  
Rockingham and put it out of the list of  
doubtful counties for the future. Let all  
necessary agencies be employed, and have  
every man at his post to the end of the  
fight.

The taxpayers of Virginia would be  
\$5,000,000 better off to day if her present  
Senator, Mahone, had not been a railroad  
wrecker, and per se, monopolist. If her  
taxpayers do not forget this, and have any  
respect for their own rights, they will hoist  
this turnout this Fall at the polls.

## UNITED STATES SENATOR.

The Legislature to be chosen next No-  
vember will not elect a successor to Ma-  
honey, whose term does not expire until  
March 4, 1887. One half of the State Sen-  
ators, however, will be elected in Novem-  
ber for four years, and these Senators will  
have a voice in the choice of Senator Ma-  
honey's successor. It would be well for the  
voters of Rockingham to bear this fact in  
mind, and elect our gallant standard bear-  
er, Geo. B. Kezel, by such a majority as  
will convince Senator Mahone that his po-  
litical course is not approved of by our  
honest people. If an unforeseen occur-  
rence should elect Dr. Webb, he may vote  
against Mahone for United States Senator,  
taking as a precedent his vote for Harris  
against Paul in 1878.

## SENATORIAL CANVASSER.

The following gentlemen have been ap-  
pointed Senatorial canvassers for this dis-  
trict:  
J. B. Stephenson, W. L. Yancy, Dr. E.  
A. Herring, John W. Blackburn, M. Lin-  
don, M. J. Martz, J. R. Filler, J. F. Low-  
man, George P. Burtner, Wm. A. Pence.  
W. H. RITENOUR,  
Ch'm. Dem. Co. Com.  
J. K. Smith, Secretaries.  
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## ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

County Court Day.

Monday next, Sept. 17, will be County  
Court day, and all who desire to subscribe  
for the COMMONWEALTH for the campaign  
are earnestly invited to come forward.

PRICE, 25 CENTS

For any two months, which will cover the  
period from now until after the November  
election.

To prominent Democrats of means we  
would suggest, that they cannot invest  
money in the campaign to any better ad-  
vantage than by subscribing for and cir-  
culating the COMMONWEALTH among their  
neighbors and friends. Apart from the fact  
of the price being low, and the fact that  
the advantage to be gained to the party, there  
is a duty to the Democratic press behind it,  
and besides the duty resting upon every  
Democrat of using all proper means to fur-  
ther the party's interest.

Come forward, then, on next Monday  
and bring us in the names of hundreds, who  
should have at this particular time all the  
political light possible from a Democratic  
source.

This paper has never wavered nor flinched  
in its devotion to the Democratic party.  
Hence, we expect the party to stand by it  
with the party's patronage.

The examination of Public School teachers  
will take place on Friday last, as per notice.  
There were 120 teachers present during the examina-  
tion, and we learn that the examination was a very sat-  
isfactory one, indeed. The attendance showed that  
there will be plenty of teachers for the public schools  
of this county the coming year.

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## JUDGE JOHN PAUL.

At the October term next of the Federal  
Court in this place, Judge John Paul will  
for the first time go upon the Bench as a  
Federal Judge, he having last week taken  
the oath of office. Judge Paul now occu-  
pies a new relation to the people, among  
whom he has heretofore been known only  
as a politician. Just here it may be as  
well to say that in all our animadversions  
of Hon. John Paul, we have never been  
actuated by personal ill-will. Such feel-  
ings we have never entertained toward  
him, nor amid all the bitter wrangles inci-  
dent to our wide political divergence, our  
personal relations have ever been kind.  
It is, therefore, that the pleasure to us is  
heightened to note the retirement of Judge  
Paul from the political arena, and we are  
pleased, as we have heretofore said, that  
our able and talented friend has been ele-  
vated to a position that we are confident  
he will adorn. Judge Paul is of that  
mould of man, in our judgment, that will  
put off the miry garments of the politician  
as he dons the robe of the Judge.

For these reasons we are glad of the  
elevation of Judge Paul to the Federal  
Judgeship, as well as for the further re-  
asons that in our opinion he will be a good  
Judge, is "to the manner born," and will  
dispense justice to the people among whom  
he has lived all his life, whom he knows  
so well, and whose esteem he has in an  
eminent degree, unprejudiced by partisan  
bias, but simply as an agent in his high  
place, holding the scales of justice at equal  
balance at all times.

We notice that several of the newspa-  
pers of the State are devoting considerable  
attention to the discussion of the bill be-  
fore the last Mahone legislature, known as  
the Commissioner of Sales bill. We had  
not perceived the necessity for this; but a  
measure of the Mahoneites—or at least of  
quite a number of the leaders—it begins  
to dawn upon us that a discussion of the  
measure is necessary, in order that the  
people may be made acquainted with the  
iniquities so deftly concealed behind this  
new invention for public robbery. In  
future issues we shall therefore give some  
attention to this subject. True, it is not  
likely to be enacted into a law for several  
reasons: First—That it is very unlikely  
that Mahoneites will control the next Leg-  
islature; and, second, that a Democratic  
Legislature never has, nor is it probable it  
ever would, place upon the statute book so  
vile a piece of political machinery, by  
which robbery would become but a pas-  
time, and the public made to dance up to  
the requirements of a petty county official,  
who would, in many instances, be the  
leading corrupter of the ballot-box and  
the beginning of a legalized class of public  
defaulters and thieves.

The Judge is right about that. These  
Democratic people out here would consider  
any man perjured who was elected on the  
Lynchburg platform and would attempt  
directly or indirectly, openly or covertly,  
to undo or impair that settlement.  
I reckon not one will ever be found in  
such fix. If so, farewell to his good name  
and fair fame.

## THE PARTY OF PROSCRIPTION.

Judge Staples attacked the Administra-  
tion party in Virginia as the party of pro-  
scription; instancing that the more than  
100,000 Democratic votes in the State were  
as effectually proscribed from participation  
in the management of the affairs of the  
State as though they were an alien and  
proscribed race.  
It had not been so in old times, and the  
Judge recalled the names of Whig judges  
kept in office by Democratic Legislatures.  
Further, he should criticize the enemy  
for their proscription of public institutions  
and public-school machinery for political  
purposes.

## THE COALITION.

The part of his speech that produced the  
deepest effect was that in which he showed  
up the Coalition and exposed the fallacy of  
the proposition that "Arthur is for us."  
Here he referred to the fact that Arthur  
had vetoed the river and harbor bill, which  
contained \$300,000 for southern rivers; that  
in the appointment of 331 ministers and  
consuls, etc., the South had gotten but 28,  
and the north had gotten 306, and that he  
had placed the entire Federal power and  
patronage in the hands of the North.  
And, indeed, were Arthur for us, we  
should we sacrifice principle to that end?  
Not so.



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North, B. & O. R.	Arrives	Leaves
" " " "	8 A. M.	8 A. M.
" " " "	3 P. M.	3 P. M.
South, " " " "	8 A. M.	8 A. M.
" " " "	3 P. M.	3 P. M.

STAR ROUTES.

Bridgeport	10 30 A. M.	4 P. M.
Hawley Springs	10 30 A. M. <td>4 P. M.</td>	4 P. M.
North, B. & O. R.	10 30 A. M. <td>4 P. M.</td>	4 P. M.
South, " " " "	10 30 A. M. <td>4 P. M.</td>	4 P. M.
New Republic	11 A. M. <td>12 M.</td>	12 M.
East, " " " "	11 A. M. <td>12 M.</td>	12 M.
West, " " " "	11 A. M. <td>12 M.</td>	12 M.
Port Republic	11 A. M. <td>12 M.</td>	12 M.
Market	10 A. M. <td>1 P. M.</td>	1 P. M.

All Mails closed thirty minutes before schedule time of departure. J. K. SMITH, P. M.

### LOCAL AFFAIRS.

#### Two Kinds of Citizens.

The fact that so many favorably-situated towns and small cities continue at a standstill year in and year out, while other places less favorably situated grow and prosper, has long been a source of conjecture. The same measures will not remedy the evils in all such cases any more than one particular mode of treatment will cure all the ills of humanity; but as there are some diseases more common to the human family than others, so also there are some causes which hinder industrial growth more than others. While it is not necessary to enumerate the numerous causes which effectually check advancement in this direction, there is one cause in particular which, more than any other, brings about this state of affairs.

There generally live in every town a few wealthy individuals who own all, or nearly all, the desirable property within a mile or two of the place. These men usually either compose the local government or exert a great influence over its members. Like the rest of the race, they are either greatly interested in public affairs, or are entirely disinterested, as the case may be. The former is ever ready and willing to do all in their power for the permanent good of the place. If a manufacturing concern seeks a suitable location for factory or mill buildings, they endeavor by all honest means to induce it to stay with them, in many instances donating either money or lands, and securing other inducements like low taxes, etc. Other places are unfortunately handicapped with leading citizens who seem opposed to anything like industrial advancement, who make no exertions for their town's welfare, but, possessing plenty of the world's goods for themselves and families, settle down to a dreamy, monotonous existence, caring for nothing, apparently, but themselves. The following instance may illustrate the latter: The proprietors of a large nail manufactory sought a suitable location for a new establishment, and asked certain reasonable concessions from the owners of suitable lands adjoining a pretty little town now unknown to industrial fame. Not only were the concessions refused, but, under a mistaken idea that they were determined to buy at any rate, a price far above the real value of the land was demanded. Disgusted, they located in a neighboring town, where they now employ scores of workmen, besides adding greatly to the town's interest. The place whose citizens for the sake of gain frightened them away, will probably remain just what it now is—"a nice place to live for a man who can afford to be idle, but no place for business" at least, so long as the present generation shall live.

The mistake of placing fictitious values on desirable sites for manufactories is a common one, owners seeming to lose sight of the fact that the enhanced value of their remaining lands would amply compensate for selling the few acres wanted at reduced rates or even donating it. While useless extravagance is always to be condemned, wise outlays for the good of your fellows is always to be commended. Of course, every man has a perfect right to do just as he pleases about such matters; but the town which is thus borne down by these human dead-weights is indeed deserving of sympathy.

#### Death of Capt. John Avis.

We regret to announce the death of Capt. John Avis, in this place, after a lingering illness, on yesterday, at the age of 65 years, 1 month and 26 days. He had for many years held positions of prominence and trust in this community. He was a Lieutenant in the Virginia Regiment in the Mexican war; subsequently a Justice of the Peace and as such member of the County Court, for many years before the late war; was Deputy Sheriff and Jailor during the Brown raid, and had custody of John Brown and his captured associates during their imprisonment; served in the Confederate army with the rank of Captain; and was Provost Marshal at Staunton, Va., acting directly under General Lee. Since the war he has been Mayor of Charlottesville, Superintendent of the County Almshouse, and Justice of the Peace, holding the latter office until his declining health forced him to resign, a few months since. Such a record itself is the best evidence of the esteem and confidence of his fellow-citizens and neighbors. Captain Avis was ready and anxious to depart, looking to the future with full faith and trust in God's mercy and Christ's redemption. (Charleston (W. Va.) Spirit of Jefferson, Sept. 14th.) James L. Avis, Esq., of this place is a son of Capt. John Avis, and attended his father's funeral last week. For twenty-five years we have known Capt. Avis and we esteemed him highly for his many good qualities of mind and heart. The brief extract given above shows the estimation in which he was held at his home, and the mention of the positions of honor, trust and responsibility conferred upon him by his fellow-citizens, attests that he was a valuable citizen, and one who will be missed and his death deeply mourned not only by his immediate family but by the whole people where he lived and was so well known.

### Masonic Hall.

The citizens of Harrisonburg on last Thursday and Friday nights were furnished a rare treat by the performance of the plays of "A Faint Heart" and "The Little Turkey Tender," by local talent, under the management of Miss Hattie Weems, of Baltimore, the bright particular star of the evening. Miss Weems as Rosa Van Der Linden, in "A Faint Heart," was indifferently supported. She also labored under the double disadvantage—lack of "stage effects" and "costumes"—in this play as well as in "The Little Turkey Tender." In the latter piece she played the character of "Jenny, the Little Turkey Tender," to perfection. She was ably assisted by Mr. Frank Bear, who as "Jack, the Shepherd," did some very good acting and singing. Miss Bertie Patterson and Miss Annie Bahman rendered their respective parts of "Godmother" and "Ex-cu-tor" as well as they could have been done by professionals. The "Lady Spindle" and "Mrs. Dwindle" of Miss Mary L. Eshman and Miss Charlotte Butler were immense. Their impersonation of the characters was as near perfect as even Harry Winter, the cynical dramatic critic of the New York Tribune, could have desired. The chorus of the "Charity Girls" was given in perfect time and chord, the singers reflecting credit upon their instructress. The "Sleeping Beauty" tableaux was an excellent "sell." The performance closed with "Magic Music" that sent every auditor home in the very happiest of good humor.

These performances were given for the benefit of Harrisonburg institutions—the Ladies' Memorial Association, the Rectory Fund, and the Guards. The citizens responded to Miss Weems' efforts creditably in point of numbers, and we can say she had the best behaved audience we have seen congregated in Masonic Hall for a long time. It was a decided compliment to her and her assistants.

As an actress, Miss Hattie Weems will never achieve that position on the dramatic stage which her talents, natural and acquired, entitle her to. She lacks lung power. If she had the voice of a Lotta, she would be a recognized rival, and for arch childness, she is the peer of Katie Putnam. In a hall the size of ours, she is competent to fill it, but would be "lost" in a city theatre. The unanimous verdict of our people is that Miss Weems gave one of the very best light comedy performances we have ever been favored with.

#### Fifty Cents

Is all it will cost you to subscribe for the COMMONWEALTH for four months; twenty-five cents for two months.

The cheapest paper in the county; Live and alert in the Fall campaign; The paper you need; Every Democrat should have it; Come and subscribe on Monday next, County Court day; Come early in the day, else you might forget it.

If you can't come yourself, send your name and money by your neighbor.

#### Death of Mr. Henry Snyder.

Mr. Henry Snyder, one of the best mechanics of this place, was buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery on Thursday last. From the Spirit we glean the following account of the cause of his death: "Mr. Snyder had gone to East Virginia on business, in company with John Morrison, and on his return both gentlemen stopped in Little Washington, Rappahannock county, on the night of the 27th inst. Mr. Snyder, in the night, had occasion to go out, and in passing from the porch of the house, his foot caught in a scraper, precipitating him violently to the ground, from which he received a cut above the right eye and contusions about the head, which afterward resulted in his death. However, Mr. Snyder succeeded in reaching home, where he took to his bed, a sufferer, until on Wednesday lockjaw set in, which produced death in a few hours."

Mr. Snyder leaves a widow and six children in very reduced circumstances; but Harrisonburg has a reputation for never permitting the deserving to suffer. One of Mr. Snyder's faults, if fault it can be called, was liberality, and in many of his acts of deserving charity giving, it will be a case of bread cast upon the waters.

If you desire a pure Whiskey, distilled from Rye only, and of great age, call for Rosenheim's Springdale.

"W. W.," from McGeahysville, in last week's Register, charges County School Superintendent A. P. Funkhouser with publishing the notice of school teacher examinations in but one paper, the Spirit. "W. W." in this case stands for *wrong*, as a reference to the COMMONWEALTH'S advertising columns will show. The charge made by "W. W." of partisanship in this matter falls to the ground, as probably would other charges which have been made against Mr. Funkhouser, which he has deemed unworthy of public notice.

The finest on the market is Rosenheim's celebrated Springdale Whiskey.

FRESH COWS SHIPPED.—On Tuesday evening, September 5th, Mr. L. Pottiger, of this place, shipped forty-six head of fresh cows from our depot, consigned to buyers in Lancaster, Penn. All of the cows, we learn, were purchased in this county, the price paid averaging \$45 per cow. This town has become a leading stock market, and buyers tell us that Rockingham horses, cows and cattle command fancy prices in the Eastern markets.

Capt. John Donovan's resignation as commandant of our excellent military company, the Guards, was regrettably accepted last week. The Guards purpose adorning their armory with a life size photograph of their late Captain, which will be handsomely framed.

All snuff users are earnestly requested to try the "Dental" Scotch. It is endorsed by the chemical profession as a preservative of the teeth.

### Home Manufactory.

Passing along Court Square a few nights ago at rather a late hour, our attention was attracted to Edward W. Sullivan's cigar manufacturing establishment. Thinking possibly a "fire" item might be found, we investigated, and found all of his workmen hard at work, making cigars as rapidly as their deft fingers could manipulate them. Enquiring the cause for working at such a late hour, Mr. Sullivan showed us two orders, one from Dakota Territory and one from Washington City, the first for 10,000, the second for 5,000 of the brand of cigars manufactured exclusively by Mr. Sullivan, known as the "Clan-na-gael." This cigar is sold for \$75 per thousand, and is composed of Wells imported Havana fillers and pure Havana seed wrappers. The workmen in Mr. Sullivan's establishment who are detailed for this particular brand are four in number, and are considered as among the best cigar-makers in the United States. The finer grades of cigars made by Mr. S. are in the order named: "Clan-na-gael," "Hibernia," "Black Prince" and "Gracie." He manufactures what he terms medium brands, known as "Dat's Boss," and "Little Tom," and then he also makes a cheaper cigar, which, by the way, is a very good one, called "Jessie." The prices range from \$18 to \$90 per thousand. He has his boxes made in Washington and Winchester, and all of his lithographic work are specimens of beauty. His "Dat's Boss" lithograph is worth framing. Mr. S. bonds for twenty-two cigar-makers, as many as he can possibly work in his establishment. His trade is largest from Washington to Lynchburg, along the lines of the B. & O. and Shenandoah Valley roads. He is, however, receiving many orders from Staunton to Huntington. We are proud of Ned's success. It shows what a Harrisonburg boy can do. He started his manufactory here in 1881 on a very limited capital, and he now makes and sells more cigars each month than he sold the first year. He has by using the best of material, fair, square dealing, and promptness in filling orders, won the position of rival to old established manufactories, with retail dealers in the cities of Washington, Baltimore, Richmond, Wheeling, and as far West as Dakota. He pays his workmen promptly every Saturday night, and our tradesmen feel the benefit he incidentally confers, and wish we had many more manufacturing interests to boast of.

#### The Event Will Occur Again on October 9th.

There was excitement throughout the land over the 14th August (the 159th Monthly Drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery, Gen'l G. T. Beauregard of La., and Jubal A. Early of Va., both of them used to hot weather, found it warm. As the Wheel of Fortune revolved, it evolved this result: Ticket No. 94,177 drew the first prize of \$75,000, and placed with others among the happy purchasers of fifths at \$1 each were Rev. Moses Zerovich, of No. 544 1/2 South Canal st., Chicago, Ill., and W. T. Muse, of Rocky Mount, N. C. No. 71,880 drew the second prize of \$25,000—sold in fifths also at \$1 each, to Samuel Selig and Dr. J. M. Littleale of Selma, Ala., and Gustav Braun, of No. 40 W. Monroe st., (care of the Preliminary Machine Works Co.), Chicago, Ill. No. 97,593 drew the third prize of \$10,000—sold as a whole at \$5 to Jack Graves, the driver of The Stockell Fire Engine Co. of Nashville, Tenn. Nos. 75,779 and 76,119 drew the fourth two prizes of \$6,000 each, and were sold in fifths, at \$1 each, to Messrs. Wm. E. Oates, C. Willis, A. A. Prescott and Rob't Payne, of Vicksburg, Miss.; Mr. J. V. VonderSmith, of 2029 Locust st., Philadelphia, and a party in New Orleans, La., among others—so on *ad infinitum*. It all goes over again on the 9th day of October, and all information can be had on application to M. A. Dauphin, New Orleans, La.

#### Judge John Paul.

Wm. B. Lury, Esq., as United States Commissioner, on Wednesday last administered the oath of office to Hon. John Paul as Judge of the Western District of Virginia of the United States Court. We extend our earnest congratulations to Judge John Paul, and believe that "when life's fitful fever is o'er," the following verses from holy writ can be truthfully inscribed upon his monument: "Whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? or whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I received any bribe to blind mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it to him. And they said, thou hast not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither hast thou taken aught of any man's hand."

MUSEUM.—Mr. Dan O'Donnell has at his saloon, a collection of minerals, fossils, skeletons of birds, old coins, eggs, and other rare curiosities. He has them handsomely arranged in a case, something on the order of the curiosities exhibited at the patent office in Washington. Lovers of the rare and curious by inspecting Daniel's miniature museum can pass a very pleasant hour.

SHANDS & BUTLER.—Respectfully inform their customers and the public that they will finish out the season with superior Northern ice. 8w

"CIRCUIT CLERK APPOINTED. Mr. Newton Black qualified on Monday last as clerk of the Circuit Court of Rockingham county, appointed by Judge Newman. Rock. Paul, Esq., resigned."

Resigned! I resigned what? Rock. Paul was never Circuit Clerk, that we know of. Oh yes, possibly our friend Barbee means, resigned to his fate: if so he might have added, "me too."

The "Dental" Snuff, manufactured by Ivey & Owen, Lynchburg, is strongly recommended by the chemical profession as a preservative of the teeth.

DEAD.—Dr. Harvey Kyle, of Bridgewater died, after a lingering illness, on Wednesday morning last, Sept. 5th, aged 75 years 3 months and 9 days. Dr. Kyle was one of the wealthy men of this county, his estate being computed at \$200,000. He died childless, and we learn his widow inherits all of his fortune.

### Local Notes.

Court day next Monday. "The scar and yellow leaf." Oh, deer! where is my rifle? Dinah, where is the stove polish? The farmer with the best corn will soon begin to show his ears. Mr. Jack Frost was in town last week, after an absence of a few months. Dr. Harris will remain in Harrisonburg until October 15th, by special request. Persons having gardens are complaining of their tomatoes rotting soon after they are pulled. Not a particle of quinine nor any mineral substance is contained in Ayer's Ague Cure—but it does the business. War-ranted. The ice-wagons, with the drivers in overcoats and woolen comforters, perambulate the streets, disposing as best they can of their frigid loads. An infallible remedy for Fever and Ague is Ayer's Ague Cure. Wholly vegetable and containing no quinine, it is harmless and sure. As cold weather approaches, the wood market becomes lively. We counted from our sanctum window Saturday last 27 loads for sale on the South and East sides of the Public Square.

A farmer told us yesterday that he shot ten English sparrows a few days ago, and upon investigating their crops, found no worms or insects, but they were all well stuffed with grapes, corn, wheat and oats. The regular season for town cows to migrate into other than their owners' gardens and truck patches is at hand. The police officers have had several calls from different portions of the town to impound the foragers, during the past week. Our Western people are liable to be laid low by malarial fever when breaking up new lands. The folks in the East are also complaining of fevers, chills and agues, arising from decaying vegetable matter and imperfect drainage. For either East or West the best remedy is Ayer's Ague Cure.

We anticipate our day and hour of publication by thirty-six hours, hence our next will probably contain some items that may appear old before we can publish them. But our boys want an Oriole holiday and there was no other way to get it except working ahead. The paper-to-day is full of interesting matter and we do not feel that there is need of any apology—simply explanation.

#### A Successful Enterprise.

We are never slow to extend our hand to any effort that will add to the prosperity of our people in a religious, intellectual or material point of view. Providence has lavishly bestowed his blessings upon our section, and the only thing needed to make the Valley of Virginia rank in advantages with the best countries is untiring energy and endeavor, directed by unquestioned intelligence. We note with pleasure any attempt of this character, but point with peculiar pride when successful effort is made by our own people. The occasion for these reflections arose in watching closely the Shenandoah Valley Assembly from the first utterances of the founder, through all its stages of growth, to its successful outcome during the ten days preceding August 17th, the date of the closing of one of the grandest meetings this Valley ever had.

The undertaking was both novel and difficult among our people, who move slowly, and yet the result was such as to leave but little doubt of the building up of a permanent educational and religious centre. The most novel and bold part of the work was the publishing of the Shenandoah Valley Assembly Journal as a daily on the grounds. There were many obstacles in the way. It required a large investment of money; the publisher was without previous newspaper experience; the office temporary—in the woods; the difficulty of securing a sufficient working force of compositors for so large a daily paper (the size of this); the enterprise was new—nothing of the kind ever attempted here—while the indifference of the people was certainly to be expected. Added to these, the managing of the Assembly devolved upon the publisher. And yet we must pronounce the Journal an entire success in the hands of its publisher, Rev. A. P. Funkhouser, and his able assistant, Rev. C. I. B. Brane. One peculiar feature about this publication is the creation, this year, of a literature purely and solely belonging to the Assembly Journal. Lectures, addresses, sermons, Normal outlines, notes, &c., &c., to be found nowhere else, are among the contents of the first number. When it is remembered that our people read little—that there were only ten days of work; and that the Journal secured a place at home, having several hundred subscribers—something of the success is seen, but none but what was well deserved. Mr. Funkhouser, together with Mr. Brane, announce a new paper, "THE PEOPLE," under favorable circumstances which it is not necessary to mention here. The prospectus of "THE PEOPLE" promises much, and from our knowledge of the publishers and the editors, we have no doubt the promises will be well kept, and that "THE PEOPLE" will find a welcome in many homes, as it well deserves.

#### Public Sale.

D. H. Rolston, administrator of the estate of John Niswander, dec'd., will sell on Friday, September 14th, all of the personal property at Mr. Niswander's late residence, about midway between the toll-gate, near "Smithland," and Linville. The property to be sold is desirable, and well worthy the attention of the public.

#### Irregular Mail.

There is something radically wrong with the mail service between this place and Baltimore. The letter mail is reasonably regular, but it has become of late the exception, rather than the rule, for the Baltimore newspapers to arrive here on time. The Valley Branch Postal clerks are, we are assured, not to blame. Wherever the fault lies, it should be remedied.

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### Correspondence.

#### M. E. District Conference.

LURAY, VA., September 5, 1883. District Conference, for Rockingham District, Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church South, met here last night, Rev. J. C. Dice, P. E., presiding. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. E. Armstrong, of Harrisonburg, to a large and attentive congregation. After the sermon the Conference was organized. J. P. Houek, Esq., was re-elected secretary. The roll was called and thirty-five members found present. The Presiding Elder and pastor, Rev. A. Weller, were made a committee on worship. From the first window forward was fixed as the bar for the members of the Conference. Delegates Bishop and Hobbs, and Rev. H. W. Kinzer were appointed a committee to examine Quarterly Conference records. The hours of business were fixed at 9 to 11 A. M. and 3 to 5 P. M. Preaching, 11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

#### SECOND DAY.

Conference met this morning at 9 o'clock. After usual religious services the roll was called. Rev. J. E. Armstrong and delegates E. S. Conrad and B. G. Manor were appointed a committee to draw suitable resolutions on the death of Rev. E. G. Vandiver and Moses Walton, Esq. A committee, of one from each charge, was appointed to consider and report on the financial condition and necessities of the District Parsonage at Staunton. Reports from the various charges show increasing spiritual prosperity and general progress in the church work. Rev. H. W. Kinzer preached at 11 A. M.

There are nineteen charges, stations and circuits in the District. The attendance of members is unusually full. Quite an additional number came in this morning. The attendance of town people and visitors is large.

The church is a large one and handsome by frescoed. Revs. G. T. Collins, Lynch and Strickler are here, which insures good singing. Revs. W. K. Boyle, editor "Episcopal Methodist," and B. F. Hall, Sunday School Secretary of Baltimore Conference, arrived to day. Rev. Dr. J. J. Lafferty is expected.

Luray is improving very much, but needs sidewalks badly. The dust is of good quality, but too soft and thick. Large excursion to day from Baltimore to Luray Cave. \*\*

#### Letter from Mt. Crawford.

Mt. Crawford, Va., September 4, 1883. Departed this life, August 30th, 1883, at the residence of the late Samuel Bear, on Naked Creek, of cancer of the breast, Mrs. Mattie Plecker, wife of Mr. Wm. E. Plecker, aged 40 years, 3 months and 27 days. She was buried at Naked Creek church on Friday, the Rev. Mr. Carnahan conducting the services.

Our worthy postmaster, Mr. John Foley, with his brother Jacob, have gone to Louisville. During their absence they will visit relatives in Ohio.

Mrs. Harvey Earman has gone on a visit to Roanoke City, where Mr. Earman is engaged in business.

Miss Laura Wise, from Fauquier county, is here visiting her grandfather, Mr. Jacob Lago.

Lottie Saunders, little daughter of Mr. L. A. Saunders, cut her cheek quite badly one day last week, by falling off of a board on which she was standing.

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Our friends in Bridgewater may "take the cake" in tall corn and many potatoes, but Mr. Geo. C. Shipplett, of this place, has a cucumber growing in his lot, which measures 4 1/2 inches in length and 1 1/4 inches in circumference.

Mr. Charlie Rhodes, who has been very much interested in buying calves for his farm, is happy, as a valued cow of his a few days ago gave birth to two fine ones.

At the meeting of the patrons of our school on last Saturday afternoon, a fair representation was present. Geo. F. Sherman, Esq., took the chair, W. E. Shinnick was made secretary, and Henry W. Roller was elected to fill a vacancy on the board of local trustees, which now consists of S. C. Switzer, John W. Sherman and Henry W. Roller. Prof. Geo. H. Hulvey was re-elected Principal. The other teachers will be selected hereafter.

Miss Maggie Shuey, of Swoope's Depot, who has been visiting here for several weeks has returned home.

The farmers are busy threshing their wheat and clover seed. Owing to the dry weather, a large portion of the latter crop will not turn out well.

[The above letter was written for our last issue, but came too late.—Ed.]

#### Irregular Mail.

There is something radically wrong with the mail service between this place and Baltimore. The letter mail is reasonably regular, but it has become of late the exception, rather than the rule, for the Baltimore newspapers to arrive here on time. The Valley Branch Postal clerks are, we are assured, not to blame. Wherever the fault lies, it should be remedied.

#### Public Sale.

D. H. Rolston, administrator of the estate of John Niswander, dec'd., will sell on Friday, September 14th, all of the personal property at Mr. Niswander's late residence, about midway between the toll-gate, near "Smithland," and Linville. The property to be sold is desirable, and well worthy the attention of the public.

HORSE INJURED.—On Tuesday night, last the horse of Mr. A. N. Black, our new Circuit Clerk, while grazing in a lot of Hon. John Paul, was severely injured by running foul of a diabolical wire fence.—Spirit.

That "diabolical wire fence" must have been the residuum of the "diabolical wire" working, of a few days previous; at which time, from points obtained by us, the hyde of several prominent rejudger aspirants for the clerkship was barbed(e)d.

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### Spoondyke Crab-Fishing.

Coming up the river the other day, I saw a middle-aged gentleman in a dingy boat, with a small sail, and a row beside an attractive lady, feeling around among a lot of strings pendant from the side of the boat, and warning the lady that she could not keep too quiet.

"Now, my dear," observed the gentleman, "don't you move, because I feel a crab on this line. I'll pull him up until he is in sight and then you slip the net under him. See?"

"Yes, dear," replied the lady, a little flustered as she contemplated her share of the performance. "But, Mr. Spoondyke, what shall I do when I get the net under him?"

"Scalp him!" retorted Mr. Spoondyke, drawing slowly on the line. "Now wait, he's there," and Mr. Spoondyke became even more cautious in his movements. "See him! There he is! Scalp him, quick!"

Mrs. Spoondyke jabbed the net into the water and fished around with great vigor.

"What ye doing?" yelled Mr. Spoondyke, straining up and glaring at her, as the crab struck a line for Newark Bay. "What'd ye think I had there, the bottom of the river? What'd ye suppose ye was trying to catch a chure? Take it out! Give it here!" and he grasped the lady around the waist and took the net away from her.

"Did I scalp him?" asked Mrs. Spoondyke, flushed with her exertions and trembling with her excitement. "Show him to me! let me see what he looks like!"

"Look, look!" roared Mr. Spoondyke, "he looks like Sandy Hook by this time! Why didn't you scalp him? What's the matter with you?"

"I—I couldn't tell what was his head," faltered Mrs. Spoondyke, who hadn't seen anything at all. "Pull him up again, and you'll see. If I don't scalp the last hair on his skull!"

The English language lost its last charm for Mr. Spoondyke, and he turned to his strings with a withering look of contempt for his wife.

"Now you be careful," he said at length. "Here's another varmint, and you mustn't let him get away. When I say 'Scalp!' you shove the net under him and just bring him aboard."

"Can you see him yet?" asked Mrs. Spoondyke, waving the net over her head and peering into the water.

"Wait! Yes, there he is! Careful, remember. Now, scalp!"

He must have been a crab of phenomenal scholarship, for he got down to that swoop for Mrs. Spoondyke, with a view to redeeming herself, went for the end of the string blindly, but with a strength of purpose that made failure impossible. She caught the crab, but she slammed the net crab and all over Mr. Spoondyke's head.

"What—wah-h!" shrieked that gentleman, as he felt himself impounded.

"Lost him again!" exclaimed Mrs. Spoondyke, who hadn't the remotest idea what a crab looked like. "Why, dear, what's that awful big spider in the net? Good gracious!"

"Take it off!" roared Mr. Spoondyke. "Take it—wow! the thing has got me by the ear! Haul him off, will ye?"

Mrs. Spoondyke dropped the handle of the net as if it were an old-fashioned bonnet, and gazed upon her husband in consternation.

"Gast the crab!" yelled Mr. Spoondyke, tearing the net away. "Let go, ye brute! Wah-h!" and the unfortunate man writhed the fish from off his ear and dashed it in the bottom of the boat. "What's your scheme in doing that?" he demanded, holding his ear with one fist and shaking the other at his wife. "Think you've got to eat 'em right out of the water? Got a notion that he came up cooked and you must down him quick or he'll spoil!" yelled Mr. Spoondyke, enraged beyond all control by the sight of the carriage that trickled down his fingers. "What ye mean by it?" and he sprang into the air and alighted on the unhappy crab, slipping up and sprawling full length in the bottom of the boat.

"Was that a crab, dear?" asked Mrs. Spoondyke, assisting him to rise, and advising and contemplating the mangled fish with anything but favor. "Is that what you call a crab? I thought—"

"You thought!" ripped Mr. Spoondyke, kicking at the bewildered crab. "That's the way with you—you think! Did ye think I was going to stand here and let that crab chew on my ear till his legs acted? Praps ye thought he was whispering to me! Maybe ye thought he was telling me a feeny story! Well, he was, and if he was his voice was so hoarse I couldn't enjoy it! Ye thought, did ye?" squealed Mr. Spoondyke, his wrath rising as the pain and fear subsided. "Thought a crab talked with his nose, a man's nose! Well, did ye? Oh, you thought! I had such a head as that I'd fit it up with shack bells and a stick of gum and start a female boarding-school! With your ability to think, you only need a squirt and four-forty winks to the School of Philosophy!" and Mr. Spoondyke plunged the oars into the water and began to row vigorously.

"Where are you going, dear?" asked Mrs. Spoondyke, timidly, after her husband had pined her for some time.

"Home!" grunted Mr. Spoondyke, with a horrible expression of visage. "I'm going home to show the people how much damage a rusticking idiot can do, but I don't think I care much for crabbing, though I'm not sure but what it's more fun than walking home on the wrong side of the river with no bridge within seven miles either way!"—*Brooklyn Eagle.*

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The secret of success is to know how to deny yourself and other people. —N. J. Hodgkins.

When a man is half-sure over you may harbor a suspicion that his judgment is afraid. —Boston Star.

"Charity begins at home," is well defined by a little Sunday-school child as meaning "giving to others what we don't want for ourselves."

Some one advises women to cultivate a pleasant voice. The disposition underneath must be pleasant to make the voice so. —N. Y. Examiner.

"Do you know a good way of curing hams?" asked a man of his neighbor. "O, yes," was the reply; "but the trouble with me is, I have no way of procuring them."

A Chicago man owns a mule which he has christened "Confusion." And every time he looks the animal, it only makes "Confusion" worse, confound it! —Chicago Herald.

"Ma, is Long Branch an awful dirty place?" "Why, no, my child; what made you think so? Why, here is an advertisement that says it is washed by the tide twice a day." —Boston Post.