STAUNTON SPECTATOR AND GENERAL ADVERTISER.

For the Spectator.

Election of Judge.

Mr. Fultz, in his circular to "Many Farmers," has distinctly arraigned Judge Thompson before the people of the Circuit for a want of industry and efficiency in the duties of his office, and has made a show of appealing to the records to sustain the charge.

I have now before me document No. LIII. of the present General Assembly, entitled "Abstract from the Reports of Clerks of the Court of Appeals, District and Circuit Courts, Relative to Suits in their Respective Courts." The reports are for the year ending August 30, 1859.

From this official document I propose to furnish a few facts bearing upon the charge made by Mr. Fultz—facts which I am bound to presume he would have made known to "Many Farmers" if he had been aware of them at the time he prepared his circular.

1. *This document shows that in the year ending August* 30, 1859, *Judge Thompson decided more cases and disposed of more business, civil and criminal, at law and in chancery, than any other Judge in Virginia.*

The business done by him in his Circuit was as follows, viz:

Actions at law,	896
Prosecutions,	53
Decrees in chancery, interlocutory,	598
" " " Final,	185
Total	1732

2. The same document shows the *average* amount of business done in the 21 Circuits as follows:

Actions at law,	598
Prosecutions,	80
Decrees in chancery, interlocutory,	253
" " " Final,	126
Total,	1052

3. The same document shows that but one Judge in Virginia—Judge Coleman—disposed of as many actions at law as Judge Thompson; the numbers being:

Coleman,	900
Thompson,	896

and that in chancery cases Judge Thompson stands at the head of the list in the number of his decrees, both interlocutory and final.

4. The same document shows that in addition to these labors of Judge Thompson in his Circuit and his regular duties in the District Courts, he was engaged 66 days in attendance upon the Special Court of Appeals at Richmond, *and that, counting all of his services in the year, he was longer in Court than any other Circuit Judge in Virginia.*

5. This document completely explodes the idea held out to "Many Farmers," "that the dockets are increasing" upon Judge Thompson, and that unless Mr. Fultz is elected "the wheels of Justice must cease to roll on."

The new cases within the year were as follows:

Actions at law,	601
Prosecutions,	43
Chancery suits,	289
Total,	933

The cases ended within the year were as follows:

Actions at law,	896
Prosecutions,	53
Chancery suits,	185
Total,	1134

showing an actual decrease within the year of 201 *cases: a diminution greater, by fifty cases, than was made in any other Circuit in the State.*

This exhibit of facts from official sources will not surprise the members of the Bar or the officers of the Courts in which Judge Thompson presides, for they have long known him to be an earnest and indefatigable laborer—devoted soul and body to the faithful discharge of the duties of his office. He makes no parade of his work—no loud professions of industry—but leaves it to others to find upon the records his complete vindication against unjust assault.

It is intimated by Mr. Fultz that if the regular terms will not suffice to "clear the dockets" special terms ought to be held. It is easy to talk about special terms and proper enough to hold them when practicable, but I should like to know when Judge Thompson could locate special terms. From the 1st of January to the middle of March he is in the special court of Appeals; from the 22nd of March to the 4th of July he is on his Spring Circuit; from the 22nd of August to the 1st of December he is on his Fall Circuit, and the month of December is devoted by law to the District Courts. The only vacation the Judge has is six weeks—from 4th of July to 22nd of August—and if he were disposed to devote that time to special terms he would find most of the lawyers engaged at the Court of Appeal and elsewhere.

Between the "reformed Judiciary," which seems to have disappointed the sanguine expectations of Mr. Fultz, and the "irresponsible Judiciary," which entailed upon us the "sleeping docket," it seems there is but one hope for the country, and that is to get one of the *patentees* to work the *new machine.* Under such an administration the "sleeping docket" will be "waked up"—the waking docket will be "cleared"—the regular terms will be held specially—the special terms regularly—and the Courthouses of the Circuit, like the temple of Janus of old, will remain open the year round in token of the constant warfare waged against delay under the lead of the great Reformer!

R. L. J.

For the Spectator.

To Long Glade and Mossy Creek.

When any one writes over the signature of his own name, his motives are more susceptible of discovery; but whether the writer of the piece in the "Vindicator," over the signature of 'Long Glade and Mossy Creek,' is a resident of Long Glade or Long Meadow, Mossy Creek or Christian's Creek, North River or South River, Naked Creek or Back Creek, Big River, Little River or Middle River, Walker's Creek or Lewis' Creek, Middlebrook or Barterbrook, Greenville or Churchville, Craigsville or Sangersville, Newport or New Hope, Waynesboro' or Staunton, or any other part of the county; or whether by propounding those interrogatories, the writer intended to elicit information for the benefit of the people, or for the benefit of another candidate, or for his own satisfaction or gratification, need not now be the enquiry, inasmuch as every voter claims the privilege of knowing the sentiments or position of a candidate, (that is, the size of his platform, and who shall stand on it, or perhaps more unmistakably, who shall not stand on it,) before his suffrage is recorded.—Rumor seems to be afloat, from the writers insinuation. Candidates are often placed in a false position before the people by rumor; therefore, I shall unhesitatingly reply to your questions, by stating that I am free from all combination, compact or agreement, or contract of any kind, with any person, for the purpose of sharing the profits of the office of Sheriff; and as the law in regard to the Sheriffalty makes rotation in that office obligatory on the people, by restricting the Sheriff to two terms in succession, thereby vacating all the subordinate offices, and leaving his successor free to make his own selection. If an entire change were not designed, why such restriction? Believing thus, if elected, I should act accordingly. Pledging my personal efforts to have all the duties pertaining to said office faithfully, impartially and satisfactorily discharged, to the best of my ability; and for the accomplishment of which, I shall endeavor, in the selection of Deputies, to obtain competent, faithful and reliable persons, whose stability and integrity of character shall be one of my best guarantees that they will be acceptable to the people, in the several districts of the county in which they may be placed, and under no consideration would I knowingly place an objectionable or unacceptable deputy to ride in any district, or for any other purpose.

Yours very respectfully,

JAS. M. LILLEY.

For the Spectator.

To Long Glade and Mossy Creek.

I avail myself of the earliest opportunity afforded by the issue of our County papers, to answer the various questions which you have propounded to several of the candidates for the Sheriffalty of Augusta.

To the first and second questions put by you, viz:

1st. Is there an agreement between you and anybody else that will make them partners in the office if you are elected?

2nd. Have you agreed with any man to appoint him deputy if you are elected?

I answer emphatically to both of them—No!

I answer to the third, viz:

3rd. Are you free to select any one you please as Deputies after your election?

I am free to select any one I please to act as my Deputies, in the event of my election. I am not under any promise, or pledge, to any man or men, to give them the office of Deputy.

In reply to the general question, last put by you, viz:

In short, is there any combination, compact, agreement or contract of any kind between you and others in regard to the Deputyship?

I became a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Augusta, without consultation with any or either of the gentlemen now connected with the office of Sheriff of Augusta, either as principal or deputy; and I am under no promise, pledge or obligation of any kind or nature whatsoever to them, or to either of them, or to any man in the County of Augusta, to appoint them a deputy in the event of my election to the office. I became a candidate for the office to which I aspire upon my own responsibility, and hoping to be elected upon my own merits, such as they are, and neither desiring or seeking aid, from any combination whatsoever—intending, if elected, to go into office untrameled, free to select such gentlemen for Deputies, as will prove acceptable to the people of their respective Districts, and who will faithfully and honestly, without partiality, discharge the duties of the office.

Respectfully, Yours, &c.,

HENRY H. PECK.

Before many weeks elapse, we may anticipate a visit of no ordinary character, namely, an Embassy from Japan, to consist of seventy-five persons, and according to the New York Express, two of the number will be censors, appointed to watch the conduct of the rest! It is thought that they will come by way of Panama, and sail from the Isthmus to New York.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LIVERY AND SALE STABLES.

WE have leased for a term of years the commodious and convenient Stables attached to the Virginia Hotel, in Staunton, where we intend to keep constantly on hand for sale the finest **HORSES** that can be procured. J. S. Byers has experience and qualifications as a horse dealer, which are well known to the public. As our business is to be one of years no pains will be spared to obtain and keep the public patronage.

We also take Horses on Livery. In a few weeks the Stabling will be increased to accommodate 400 horses. Capable and attentive Ostlers have been employed. The County custom is solicited. Drivers are invited to stop with us.

In connection with this Stable we shall keep Hacks, Buggies and Saddle Horses, constantly for hire—our Vehicles being all new, with fine Horses, we confidently solicit public patronage.

J. S. BYERS & CO.

N. B. Nicking and Bobbing done by an experienced hand. BYERS & CO.

Jan. 21, 1860

ANOTHER CONCERT.

It is with pleasure that the

MUSICAL ASSOCIATION

of Staunton, consisting of

Turner's Silver Cornet Band, Orchestra and Glee Club.

Announce to their friends and the public generally, that they give the second of their series of

CONCERTS,

On Thursday, the 9th Day of February, 1860,

on which occasion they will have a number of

New and Excellent Pieces of Music,

that will be performed in their respective departments. The Association having been highly gratified with their large and intelligent audiences in time past, they hope to greet many happy hearts and smiling faces on February 9th.

Staunton, Jan. 31, 1860.

DE FORREST, ARMSTONG, & CO.

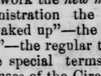
DRY GOODS MERCHANTS,

80 & 82 Chambers St., N. Y.,

Would notify the Trade that they are opening weekly, in new and beautiful patterns, the *Wamsutta Prints*, also the *Amoskeag*, a New Print, which excels every Print in the Country for perfection of execution and design in full Madder Colors. Our Prints are cheaper than any in market, and meeting with extensive sale. Orders promptly attended to.

Jan. 31, 1860—1y

Augusta County Court Clerk's office, to wit:



ESTRAY.—Taken up by Richard H. Dudley, on his land, in the County of Augusta, the 10th day of December, 1859, of the following description, to wit:

A steer of red color, with white belly and hind legs, some white on top of the shoulder and end of the tail, marked with half cropp off the left ear, supposed to be three years old and appraised at 21 dollars.

An Extract, Teste.

Jan. 24, 1860 J. D. IMDODEN, Clk.

STORE STAND FOR RENT AT HERMITAGE. AUGUSTA CO.—The Store House is a large, new and commodious building, situated in a wealthy and thickly settled neighborhood. A good business has generally been done here.—A married man can be accommodated with a dwelling house, or a single man can get boarding if desired. Possession given on the 1st of March.

For further information address

January 17—tf. SAM'L KENNERLY, Jr.

STORE HOUSE FOR RENT.—I have a Store House for rent in the county of Fayette, which is an excellent stand for a country business, situated on the main road leading from Lewisburg to Kanawha C. H., 40 miles west of the former place and about 4 miles from the location of the C. & O. R. R. The nearest store east is 25 miles distant. Persons wishing to rent will address me at Lewisburg, Va., or apply to W. A. Burke, at the Staunton Depot.

Jan. 31, 1860.—4t THOS. J. BURKE.

TAKE NOTICE.—The subscribers having, last summer, executed a bond to John N. Crouse, for $150, the price of one of Zink's Threshing Machines, which we purchased of said Crouse, and learning that Zink denies the right of Crouse to sell the Machines, we hereby caution all persons not to trade for the said bond, as we are determined not to pay it.

SAMUEL HAYS,

Jan. 31, 1860.—3t* SAMUEL GOLLADAY.

ATTENTION CAVALRY.—The Cavalry attached to the 32nd Regiment Va. Militia, will parade at New Hope, on *Saturday 25th of February*, 1860, at 11 o'clock A. M. A full attendance is required, as business of importance will be brought before the Company. By order of

H. H. PECK, Capt.

Jan. 31, 1860. WM. A. HANGER, O. S.

BLACKSMITH WANTED.—The subscriber wishes to employ by the year a good Blacksmith, to whom he will give liberal wages; or he will rent his shop to such a man if he prefers it.

W. J. D. BELL.

Staunton, Jan. 24, 1850—4ts Rock. Regis. copy.

ATTENTION.—Company C. Va. Militia, will parade at Maj. S. Stover's, the usual place of mustering, on Friday the 27th of this month. Persons failing to attend will be fined according to law.

By order of the Captain.

J. H. STOVER, O. S.

Jan. 24, 1860—1t

JUST RECEIVED.—A very fine lot of all kinds of Spectacles—plated, steel and gold—and all kinds of Spectacle Glasses, concave, convex and colored.

Staunton, Jan. 31—tf A. LANG.

DENTAL NOTICE.—Wm. Chapman has removed his office to the old Bell Tavern, near the Virginia Hotel, and opposite Brandeburg's Corner, and adjoining Rankin's Daguerrean Gallery, where he will be pleased to see his friends and costomers.

Staunton, Jan. 31, 1860.

FOR HIRE.—I have a likely young negro man, who has worked in a Blacksmith shop for three years, to hire. WM. KINNEY.

Staunton, Jan. 31, 1860—2w

VIRGINIA COAL OIL.—A new article in this market, manufactured in Kanawha, Co. For sale by P. H. TROUT, & CO.

Jan. 31, 1860.

SOMETHING EXTRA.—Just received a fine article of Lynchburg SMOKING TOBACCO, for sale at the Tobacco House of J. B. EVANS.

Staunton, January 17.

HORSE SHOES, HORSE SHOE IRON, NAILS and Nail Rod, just received by

WOODS & GILKESON.

Staunton, Nov. 15, 1859.

LADIES' CLOAKS.—We have just received a new supply of Cloaks of the very latest style worth, from $18 to $30.

Staunton Dec. 20. PIPER & FUNKHOUSER.

50 BAGS Java, Laguira and Rio Coffee, just received by TAYLOR & HOGE.

Staunton, Oct. 11, 1859.

WAITERS.—Several handsome sets of Waiters. Also single do. for sale by

Staunton, Oct. 25. WOODS & GILKESON.

SOFAS—A new lot Sofas, just to hand, very cheap

Staunton, July 19, '59. A. D. CHANDLER.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

MEXICAN MUSTANG LINIMENT.

From rich and poor, bond and free, all colors grades and conditions of life, we hear the same meed of praise awarded this wonderful article. Sores are healed, pains relieved, lives saved, valuable animals made useful, and untold ills assuaged by this great medicine, which is surprising to the judgment of man. What family does not require a standard Liniment.—Who ever heard of the same effects produced by any other article? For Cuts, Bruises, Sprains, Rheumatism, Swellings, Strained Horses, &c., it has no equal. *Beware of imitations.* The genuine Mustang Liniment is sold by all respectable Druggists and Livery Men in every town, parish and hamlet throughout the North and South America, Europe, and the Islands of the Ocean. Buy at once.

BARNES & PARK Proprietors,

Jan. 17, 1860.—1mo. New York.

"FOR"

HERRING'S FIRE PROOF SAFES,
LEATHER and RUBBER BELTING,
LACE LEATHER,
STEAM PACKING HOSE,
COTTON and LINEN TWINE,

AND FOR

INSURANCE on your Life, or the Lives of your servants, at the lowest cost, call at Stationers' Hall, No 21 Pearl Street, Richmond, Va.

KNOWLES & WALFORD.

Richmond, March 15, 1859—1y

Mr. THOS. J. BAGBY, General Collector, Richmond, is an authorized Agent for the *Staunton Spectator.*

Ecclesiastical Notice.

The members of the Presbytery of Lexington are hereby informed that it will meet at the Church of New Providence on Wednesday, 8th of February, (*not on the 7th*) at 12 o'clock, M.

Jan. 31, 1860. WM. BROWN, S. C.

MARRIED.

On the 2nd inst., by the Rev. Wm. Brown, D. D., Capt. P. O. PALMER to Mrs. ELIZA A. LAMB, all of this county.

In Nevada, on the 19th ult., by Rev. R. Swearengen, Mr. WM. LOCKRIDGE, formerly of Va., and Miss L. A. LETSON, late of Kenton, Ohio, all of Nevada, Story co., Iowa.

On the 26th ult., by Rev. J. S. Blain, Mr. H. H. BAILEY, of St. Louis, Mo., to Miss ANN RUTLIDGE, near Deerfield, Augusta.

DIED.

At his residence, in this county, near Tinkling Spring Church, on Friday, the 3rd inst., WILLIAM S. YOUNG, in the 78th year of his age. But few survive him of his generation. His life and character may be summed up in the few words—he was an honest man. D.

At his residence, near Parnassus, Augusta county, on Tuesday, the 24th ult., after a lingering illness, Dr. WM. R. BLAIR.

More than twenty years ago, the subject of this notice settled amongst us, at an early age and in the very beginning of his medical career. Possessing an acute judgement, sharpened by experience and close application, he seemed instinctively to diagnosticate every disease; and the success with which he treated them soon gained him the confidence of the people and a widely extended practice, and at length raised him to the highest rank of his profession. His moral and social character as a physician was most perfect. He seemed to possess, more than any of his brethren, an easy familiarity, a subtle professional diplomacy, by which he insinuated himself into the feelings of his patients and aroused the hopes and excited the sensibility of the most prostrate without shocking their systems.

Of his private life and his life as a citizen and a neighbor little need be said. They speak for themselves. A kind and indulgent father, he reared a large family, bound together by all the ties of filial affection. Reverencing him as a father and doting upon him as a parent and a friend, in life they loved him as in death they wept over his grave the tears of those who refused to be comforted, because he was not. As a citizen and a neighbor he was, perhaps, without a foe. Always following, with unwavering firmness, the path of virtue and honesty, he cultivated the friendship of no one through selfish or sinister motives. Proudly relying upon his own exertions and upon his own strength, he knew true popularity could only be gained by true worth, and as a man of worth he sought it. The vast concourse (of those who may be termed his people) that followed his remains to their final resting place proved that he sought it not in vain, and that his was indeed the notoriety of the few.

Of his Christian life, would that he who pays this humble tribute were more worthy to speak! And yet, to mention his daily life and his virtuous and temperate habits is the only eulogy he needs. An exemplary member of the Presbyterian Church, the fortitude, the patience and the firmness, with which he seems to have borne his last sickness—a most excruciatingly painful disease—for many long weeks, prove that his was the calm assurance of Paul. He had fought a good fight, had run a long race and might expect his reward. We learn, too, through his pastor, that his death was a fit close for such a life—a calm and peaceful sleep after a long and well spent journey.—Like Jacob, he put his household in order, and then, like the pious patriarch, received the summons of the dread messenger without a murmur and passed to an everlasting rest.

May the Healer of Nations and the Physician of Saul bring the balm of consolation to the widow, who tho' loved in time will enjoy a purer and holier love in eternity. S. B. C.

THE MARKETS.

STAUNTON MARKETS.

WHOLESALE PRICES.

Reported by P. N. Powell & Co.

FEBRUARY 7, 1860.

FLOUR.	New Superfine	$5.00@0.50
	Extra	5.50@0.75
	Family	6.50@0.75
GRAIN.	Rye	9.80@0.00
	Oats	0.35@0.37
	Corn, (New)	0.70@0.00
BUTTER.	Fresh Roll	0.18@0.20
LARD		9.9½@0.10
BACON		0.9@0.9½
PLASTER	Lump, per Ton	11.00@0.00
	Ground	13.00@0.00
SALT.	Ashton	3.25@3.00
	Marshall	3.00@0.00
	Ground Alum	2.50@0.75

RICHMOND MARKETS.

Reported for the Spectator by W. D. Tompkins & Bro.

RICHMOND, FEB. 7, 1860.

FLOUR—Receipts and stock very small, sales of Superfine $6; Extra, 6½ to 6¾.

WHEAT—Sales of Red $1.30. White $1.50.

CORN—Sales at 80@85.

TOBACCO—Sales of Lugs $2.00@4½, Common Leaf 5@6½, Good Leaf 7@3¾, Fine Leaf 9.00@11.00 @12, Stemming 7½@10½@11.00 for common to fine.

OATS—Sales, 45@50.

CLOVER SEED—$6.00.

FLAX SEED—$1 30@1 40.

DRIED APPLES—$1 50@1 60.

" PEACHES—$4½@5

" " Unpeeled $2¼@2½

VENISON—10@12cts.

BUCKWHEAT—3½ cts.

FEATHERS—45@48

WAX—32@33

HAY—$1 25@1 30

PLASTER—$5½ by the cargo.

GUANO—$58.

BACON—11@11½.

LARD—11@12.

BUTTER—12@16 for cooking, 18@20@22 for table.

VIRGINIA HOTEL.

THIS well known establishment, now presents largely additional facilities, for the accommodation of the travelling Public. Mr. Wm. H. Peyton retains his connection and associates with him, as Proprietor and Manager, Mr. Wm. Jordan, formerly of the Lexington Hotel, and more recently of the Rockbridge Baths. The style of the new firm is

JORDAN & PEYTON.

The proprietors have secured a corps of efficient and accommodating assistants, who will unite with them in paying every attention to those stopping at the Hotel. Capable and faithful servants are also provided, to ensure the comfort of guests. The table will continue, as heretofore, to equal that of any Hotel in the State.

The proprietors would also call special attention to the fact that by the erection of NEW BUILDINGS, already commenced, they will have at command **30 Additional Rooms,** by means of which they will be enabled to afford greater comfort to transient guests, and to accommodate families wishing to spend the summer in Staunton. Connected with the Hotel are extensive Stables, under the management of Byers & Co., well known for their experience and efficiency in this department. Horses will be taken on Livery, and Horses, Buggies and Hacks, will be afforded to guests on reasonable terms.

In conclusion, the Proprietors pledge themselves to spare no pains to continue and increase the present reputation of the House and to serve an appreciative public.

WM. JORDAN, } PROP'RS.
WM. H. PEYTON, }

N. B.—The Office of all the Stage Lines is at this House, also the office of *ADAMS & CO'S EXPRESS.*

JORDAN & PEYTON.

Staunton, Jan. 20, 1860.—tf.

GREAT INDUCEMENTS.—From this date until the 1st day of April 1860, I will offer great inducements to those who wish to supply themselves with Hats and Caps, having determined in order to reduce my stock to sell them at Cosr for CASH. Call before the stock is diminished, at the store room nealy opposite the Va. Hotel.

Staunton, Jan. 24, 1860. WM. SHRY, Agt.
for M. G. Hurman.

WANTED.—A MAN that can make good farm Harness and Collars, and make or repair old saddles, to whom I will pay a liberal salary by the year. A single man or a man of small family preferred, with sober industrious habits. Apply at this Office.

Jan. 10, 1860.—1m.

FANCY DRESS SILKS AT COST.—We have reduced the price of our Fancy Dress Silks to prime cost from this date to the 1st of March.—Our stock of Silks is still quite good. We advise those who may wish to purchase, to give us an early call. PIPER & FUNKHOUSER.

Staunton, Dec. 20.

TIN CHAMBER SETS, a very beautiful article for sale by WOODS & GILKESON.

Staunton, Nov. 22.

AUCTION SALES.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE LAND.—Will be sold at public auction on *Thursday, the 8th day of March next,* (if not sold privately before that day,) a valuable tract of land, 1 mile from Greenville, Augusta county, containing **152 Acres,** situated on the head waters of South River. 100 cleared and the balance well timbered. This land is of the best quality of Lime-stone land, finely adapted to grain and grass of all kinds, and has on it from twelve to fifteen acres of fine Meadow. It is very conveniently situated with reference to Mills, Stores, Churches, &c., and has on it tolerably good buildings of all kinds necessary for a small farm. An adjoining tract of about 170 Acres can be purchased, if desired. Persons wishing to purchase will examine the land for themselves, and can obtain any information from our neighbors or Mr. James W. Hudson, living near Staunton.

TERMS.—One-third in hand and the balance in 1, 2 and 3 years, in equal payments, with interest. Good personal security will be required, and the title retained until the purchase money is paid.

NANCY T. DOAKE,
ELIZABETH W. DOAKE.

Jan. 31, 1860.—Rock Reg copy above 3ts.

At the same time and place will be sold all the farming implements, Household and Kitchen Furniture, Stock of different kinds and some Corn, &c., on a credit of nine months for all sums over $5; under that amount the cash will be required.

N. T. DOAKE.

Jan. 31, 1860. E. W. DOAKE.

A LARGE and VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE—We will offer our valuable Farm lying on Moffets Branch, 11 miles from Staunton, near Parnassus, for sale, on *Thursday the 8th of March,* 1860. It contains **600 Acres**—about 300 of which are cleared, well fenced, and in good state of cultivation. The balance is well timbered. The improvements consist of a large BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, a good Barn and other out-houses. There is near the house a large spring of as good water as is to be found in the county. Also a large fine meadow, and 150 or 200 acres of timbered land fenced in, which makes a fine outlet for hogs. These and many other advantages make this a desirable farm. We will sell 400 acres, with the improvements, or the entire tract, just as the purchaser may desire.

The Terms will be very accommodating. As the tract of land is large, the purchaser will be required to pay $3000 down; the balance in six equal payments, the title given when the third payment is made.

Possession will be given immediately.

Persons wishing to buy land would do well to call and see for themselves, for we will sell the greatest bargain that has been sold in the county for 20 years.

San. 10, 1860. JOHN F. SILLING & BRO'S.

SALE OF HOUSE AND LOT IN MT. SIDNEY.—By virtue of a decree entered by the Circuit Court of Augusta county, in the case of Johnston vs. Johnston, I will proceed, on the premises, to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the *28th day of January,* 1860, a certain HOUSE AND LOT, in the village of Mt. Sidney, in which Mrs. Mary F. Johnston, dec'd., lately resided. The House is built of brick, two stories high, containing four rooms, and is surrounded by all the necessary out buildings, with a well of good water in the yard. The lot contains **Half an Acre.**

Sale to commence at 2 o'clock, P. M.

TERMS OF SALE.—One fourth of the purchase money in hand, and the balance in 1, 2 and 3 years, the purchaser to give bond with approved security and the title to be retained as ultimate security.

JONATHAN J. JOHNSTON, Com'r.

Jan. 3, 1860.—tds

POSTPONEMENT.—Postponed to February 11, 1860; if not sold on that day it will be rented publicly. J. S. JOHNSTON, Com.

Jan. 31, 1860.

ROCKBRIDGE LAND FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers for sale his **FARM** on South River, Rockbridge County, 2½ miles East of Fairfield. It contains **204 Acres,** and the soil is naturally of good quality, being well adapted to all the grains and grasses raised in the Valley, especially wheat. It is of Southern exposure, and has on it an abundance of fruit of various kinds, about seven Acres in a solid Orchard, besides a great many other trees. About two-thirds of the land is cleared and in cultivation, the balance heavily timbered. To persons wishing to view the land it will be shown them by Mr. John Patterson, who lives on the place, or by the subscriber, living near Newport, Augusta County. If not sold privately before the *1st day of March,* 1860, it will be offered on that day at public sale.

TERMS accommodating and a bargain can be had as it is too far from me to attend to personally. The improvements are as ample and as good as usually found. WM. SMILEY.

Aug. 23, 1859—Lex. Gaz. and Rock. Reg. copy.

PUBLIC SALE.—The subscriber desirous of selling his *HOUSE AND LOT,* in Staunton, will offer it for sale on *Monday, the 2nd day of April* 1860. The house is built of Brick, 3 stories high, and well laid off, and suitable for a Tavern—for which purpose it has been occupied. There is also a Store House attached to the main building, and a large and convenient Stable, Smoke House and Magazine on the lot.

TERMS:—Fifteen hundred dollars will be required to be paid down, and the balance will be made in lighter payments of five hundred dollars a year with interest from date, the title retained until the last payment is made.

Also another lot lying on the run side will be offered on the same day, situated on the Turnpike towards the North end of the town,

It is deemed unnecessary to give further description, as persons desirous of purchasing will undoubtedly view the property. RICHARD RIDGWAY.

Jan. 24, 1860

LANDS FOR SALE.—In pursuance of a decree rendered by the Circuit Court of Augusta county in the cause of Shumate against Washington and others, and of a deed of trust executed to me by Thomas Washington, I shall proceed on the premises, on *Friday the 10th day of February* next, to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, the lands held by said Washington, to wit:—A tract of about 150 acres, known as the parcel composed of the Diller, Herdman, Estell and Kyle tracts, and a tract of land purchased by said Washington of Estell's heirs and others, containing about 350 acres.

These lands are of fine quality and will make desirable farms.

TERMS:—One fourth of purchase money in hand or by negotiable note well endorsed at 90 days, and the balance in one, two and three years in equal instalments from date of sale.

N. K. TROUT, Com'r and Trustee.

Jan. 10, 1860.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.—By virtue of a Deed of Trust executed to me on the 15th day of January, 1842, by James Shultz, and recorded in the Clerk's office of the County Court of Augusta, I will sell, on the premises, to the highest bidder, for cash, on *Friday, the 17th day of February* next, the Tract of Land in said Deed conveyed. The Tract contains **20 Acres,** situated on the Junction Valley Turnpike, about three and a half miles South of Greenville, in the County of Augusta, and adjoining the lands of Ballard Smith. There is on the land a comfortable Dwelling House and Barn. The title is believed to be unquestionable, but selling as Trustee, I will convey with special warranty.—Sale at 12 o'clock M.

Jan. 24, 1859 tds JOHN NEWTON, Trus.

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6. It should be able to make the tension greater or less, on both the under and upper threads, and with uniformity.
7. It should have a straight needle, curved ones are liable to break.
8. The needle should have perpendicular motion. This is absolutely necessary for heavy work.
9. It should be capable of taking in the largest pieces of work.
10. It should be able to bind with a binder, hem with a hemmer; should stitch, fell, run and gather.
11. It should be always ready to work.
12. It should be capable of using the same size of thread on both sides of the work, and of using different colored thread or silk, above or below, to correspond with any two colors of cloth to be united.
13. It should be able to make a long or short stitch.
14. It should be able to fasten off the seam, and commence sewing tightly at the first stitch.
15. It should run easily and make but little noise.
16. It should have a wheel feed; none others are in constant contact with the work.
17. It should *not* be liable to get out of order.
18. It should *not* be liable to break the thread nor skip stitches.
19. It should *not* be necessary to use a screw-driver or wrench to set the needle.
20. It should *not* be liable to soil the operators dress.
21. It should *not* form a ridge on the under side, nor ravel out, nor be wasteful of thread, as is the case with ALL CHAIN STICH machines.
22. It should *not* be 'more trouble than it is worth.'
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Dec. 6, 1859.—1y.

Augusta County Court Clerk's office to wit:

ESTRAY.—Taken up by Wm. S. Sproul, on his land in said county, of the following description to wit:

A cow of red color white back, belly and tail, and supposed to be 12 or 15 years old and appraised at twenty dollars. An Extract Teste,

Jan. 24. WM. A. BURNETT, D. C.

PLASTER.—I am now receiving 300 Tons of the best Windsor Blue Plaster, ever brought to this market—which I will sell low for Cash or Country Produce. Call at the Freight Depot.

Staunton Jan. 24, 1860—3m W. A BURKE.

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NEAR THE COV. & OHIO R. R.—I have in the Counties of Fayette and Raleigh a large quantity of UNIMPROVED LAND, well adapted to Corn, Wheat, Tobacco, and the grasses, which I will sell low for cash or prompt pay. That in Fayette is within a mile or more of the Court-House, lies well, well watered by good springs and numerous streams, has a good Mill Site on it, and is near to a grist and saw-mill, is penetrated in all directions by good roads, and some of it near the route of this to be the greatest of Railroads. That in Raleigh is on Pine River, is very rich and timbered with the prettiest Pine and other timber in the State, well adapted to Corn and other Crops. I will sell in from 100 Acres to any quantity to suit any one.

TERMS cheap. Address at Fayetteville, Fayette C. H., Va. JACOB SANGER.

Sept. 13, 1859.—Rok. Reg. copy 6 mos.

WHO WANTS AN EXCELLENT FARM AT A LOW PRICE?—Five miles from Staunton—2 south of the R. R.—**300 Acres**—180 cleared and productive, and well set in grass—within 1½ miles of a good female school—near to Churches—new BRICK DWELLING HOUSE neatly furnished—all necessary out-houses new. Terms very easy.—A great bargain is offered in this tract, which is very desirable on many accounts. Apply to

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Iowa & Minn.	101,399.46	Kansas & Neb.	19,945.77
Penn'a & Va.	31,595.82	Arkan's & Ga.	23,948.09
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