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VIRGINIA HOTEL.

THE VIRGINIA HOTEL, so extensively known to the travelling public, as one of the very best Hotels in the State, is now owned solely by WM H. & THOMAS PEYTON, who will devote their whole attention to the purpose of increasing, if possible, the high reputation which it at present sustains, and will leave no exertion unemployed to render their guests satisfied and comfortable. The recent additions put to this establishment enable the proprietors to accommodate a much larger number of guests than formerly. The whole Building, in the interior and exterior, has been recently refitted and painted, and looks now good as new.

The proprietors have secured the services of Mr. Wm. Daniels as clerk, and Mr John E. Mason as superintendent, who will pay 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 other Hotel in the State. Connected with the Hotel are extensive stables, under the management of Buyers & Co., who are 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.

The proprietors are well prepared to accommodate families who wish to spend the summer months in this healthy portion of the State

This Hotel is well furnished and contains as good and comfortable bedding as any House in the State.

In this House are two of Phelan's New and Excellent Marble Bedding and Patent Cushioned BILLIARD TABLES.

Wm. H. Peyton, who has been so long connected with this Hotel, will devote his whole attention to the accommodation of the guests. He is thankful for the liberal patronage bestowed, and would ask a continuation of the same.

WM. H. PEYTON, THOS. P. PEYTON, } PROPRIETORS.

N. B. The office of all the Stage Lines is at this House, also the office of Adam's & Co's Express.

Staunton Jan. 1, 1862.

CONFECTIONERY STORE.

CHOICE VARIETIES FOR THE SEASON AT THE STAND FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY **WM. T. MOUNT, Main St., Staunton, Va.**

MAGNUS S. CEASE

[redacted]

Staunton, May 29, 1860.

JUST RECEIVED AT A. LANG'S A BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT OF **Gold and Silver Watches,** *FINE JEWELRY, GOLD AND SILVER* SPECTACLES, SUITED TO ANY AGE OR SIGHT,

SILVER and Plated Ware, such as Tea Setts, Cake Baskets, Castors, &c., &c. Also a full assortment of the best CLOCKS, all sizes and quality, which I will warrant to give satisfaction to every purchaser.

☞ Watches and Jewelry will be repaired promptly, and at reasonable prices.

Staunton, Oct 16, 1860.

INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE VALLEY OF VIRGINIA

CHARTERED MARCH 17, 1852.

Round Capital $300,000.

THIS Company, having been duly organized, is now ready to receive applications and issue Policies and offers to the citizens of Virginia the inducement of a home Company for the safe Insurance of all kinds of PROPERTY, MERCHANDISE, &c., at fair and equitable rates. The Directors assure the public that this Company will be conducted with a view to permanency, and on the strictest principles of equity, justice, and a close regard to economy and the safety of the insured.

PRESIDENT, JOSEPH S. CARSON.

C. S. FUNK, *Secretary.* | O. F. BRESEE, *Actuary.*

DIRECTORS,

JOSEPH S. CARSON, JAMES P. RIELY, ELOYD LOGAN, | JOH KERR, LEWIS P. GASTMAN, ROBERT STEELE, HUGH SIDWELL.

☞ *Office on London Street, near the Valley Bank*

GEORGE E. PRICE, Local Agent, Staunton.

April 2, 1856.

NEW TOBACCO STORE.

THE subscriber would inform the public generally and the consumers of the "delicious weed" particularly, that he has opened a NEW TOBACCO STORE in Staunton, two doors from Beck's Restaurant, and nearly opposite the Virginia Hotel, where he has a large stock of all grades of Chewing Tobacco and Segars of every brand.

He can supply tobacco and segars of all the different qualities at corresponding prices. He will also keep on hand Smoking Tobacco, Pipes and Siems, Matches, Blacking, and everything kept in Tobacco Stores. He is prepared to sell by wholesale as well as at retail. Be sure to call at the New Tobacco Store of

Sept. 3, 1861—tf J. H. D. JOHNSON.

J. R. SYRCLE & CO., GENERAL COMMISSION & FORWARDING MERCHANTS, THREE DOORS FROM CORNER 13TH AND CARY STS., RICHMOND, VA.,

SOLICIT consignments of TOBACCO, WHEAT, FLOUR and PRODUCE generally. All orders for Merchandize of any description will be promptly filled when accompanied with cash or produce on hand.

LIBERAL ADVANCES MADE ON PRODUCE IN HAND.

Feb. 25, 1862—1y.

STAUNTON FOUNDRY!

THE subscribers call the attention of the public to their extensive variety of Parlor, Box, Ten Plate and Cooking STOVES, of their own manufacture.—They have been cast with an especial reference to durability and giving out heat, and will be found equal in quality, if not superior, to any purchased of Northern make. They have also on hand, and will manufacture to order any and every description of IRON RAILING. Also Mill Irons, Machinery, and all kinds of Castings made to order.

The patronage of the public is especially solicited.

Nov. 20, 1860 A. J. GARBER & CO.

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.

JOEL ETTINGER

HAVING located in Staunton is prepared to take a few more pupils for instruction on Piano and Guitar. Orders left with J. W. Albyn.

Staunton, Oct. 30, 1860—tf—Vin. copy.

DR. ARTHUR

HAS returned to Staunton PERMANENTLY. For eight years' liberal patronage he reviews with much gratitude and acknowledged thankfulness. Rejoicing that he is still able to serve his old, tried friends with more experience and improved skill, diligence and faithfulness.

Oct 15, 1861—tf

LYNCHBURG HOSE AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—During the absence of the General Agent, I will attend to the issuing of Policies and Renewals

Office in the "old Bell Tavern"

Dec 24, 1861, JOEL ETTINGER.

ALL kinds of Iron Machinery fitted up at the work Shop of the Staunton Foundry.

Sept 3, 1859. A. J. GARBER & CO.

MISCELLANEOUS.

EXECUTRIX SALE OF FINE WORK-HORSES, OXEN, MILCH COWS and CALVES, PORK, HOGS, CORN, HAY, OATS, and PLANTATION TOOLS, and FIXTURES ON A LARGE SCALE.—On Tuesday, the 18th day of November, unless the weather is very bad, and if it is, the next tolerable day, I will sell, at the residence of the late Mr. Wm. Massie, Nelson county, all the CORN belonging to the Estate, both new and old; the Hay, Sheaf Oats, Fodder, Shucks, and Straw, and 40 or 50 head of good Work Horses, 20 yoke of Work Oxen, 40 milch Cows with most of their Calves, and several hundred Pork Hogs ready for the knife. At the same time will be offered several 6, 4 and 2 Horse Wagons, Ox Wagons, Trucks, and Carts, together with a full assortment of Plantation Tools of any and every description; also, Blacksmith's, Wheelwright's, Cooper's and Carpenter's Tools, with a large lot of Lumber for the three latter, ten or twelve tons of Plaster of Paris, one-half do. Guano, a dozen or more barrels of Hydraulic Cement, and two or three hundred bushels of Lime; also, two Family Carriages, and 1 one horse Buggy; and finally, seven or eight hundred gallons new Apple Brandy, with a great many other and valuable things too numerous and mixed to specify.

If circumstances will permit, and buyers will appear, I will offer the crop of Tobacco (old) on hand, being about 35 Hogsheads, in keeping order, and subject to the examination of dealers; and four or five hundred barrels of Flour, and as many of keeping Apples. MARIA C. MASSIE,

Nov. 4—2t Executrix of Wm. Massie, dec'd.

SALE OF MT. SOLON PROPERTY.—I will sell publicly, on THURSDAY, the 8th of November next, commencing at 11 A. M., the HOUSE and LOT lately occupied by J. L. McGuffin; also, the one now occupied by F. L. Curtis; and the piece of LAND bought by said McGuffin of Dr. C. R. Harris, containing about 12 acres

TERMS.—For the House and Lot first mentioned, CASH; for the second mentioned, one-third cash, and balance in two equal instalments with interest; and for the Land, one-third cash, balance in two equal annual instalments with interest. Lien on two last pieces of property, to secure deferred payments.—This property is sold under a deed of trust, and the title will be made in accordance, but regarded as perfect. D. N. VAN LEAR,

Nov. 4—2t. Trustee.

TAN YARD FOR SALE.—By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Bath county, pronounced on the 15th day of October, 1862, in a cause therein pending, between Caroline Myers, and others, plaintiffs, and Fanny Myers, and others, defendants, the undersigned, as Sheriff of said county of Bath, and commissioner named in said decree, will proceed, on the ninth day of December, 1862, to sell, at Public Auction, to the highest bidder, upon a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months, in equal instalments, with interest on the purchase money from the day of sale, a valuable Tan-yard adjoining the Warm Springs, in the said county of Bath, upon which are all the necessary buildings including amongst others a comfortable dwelling House. ROBERT B. MATTHEWS.

Nov. 4, tds.—*Richmond Whig.*

NEW BOOKS AND STATIONERY JUST RECEIVED AND FOR SALE AT ROBERT COWAN'S CASH BOOK STORE.—Chisom's Manual of Military Surgery; The First Year of the War, by E. A. Pollard; The Second Battle of Manassas, by E. A. Pollard; The Partisan Leader, by Judge Beverly Tucker; The Quartermaster's Guide, by Major Bloomfield. Letter and Foolscap Paper, Envelopes, &c., &c. West & Johnston's Map of Virginia.

Nov. 4—tf

NOTICE TO CAPTAINS OF VOLUNTEER COMPANIES.—I have been appointed by the County Court of Augusta a Special Commissioner to settle the accounts of the Commanding Officers of companies who have participated in the fund provided for arming, equipping and uniforming volunteer companies. I hereby give notice that on the 29th day of this month, I shall at my office in Staunton proceed to settle all such accounts as may be presented to me.

Nov 4th—4ts HUGH W. SHEFFEY, Special Commissioner.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

ONE ESTRAY STEER and ONE ESTRAY HORSE.—Taken up, by Owen C Morris, on his land, about 6 miles from Staunton, the 13th day of August, 1862, of the following description, to wit:

1st. A Steer of black color, marked with a slit in the right ear, and underkeel in the left; supposed to be 2 years old, and appraised at $25.

2d. A HORSE, of sorrel color, about 6 years old, and appraised at $35.

[Extract—Teste] WM. A. BURNETT, D. C.

Nov 4—3t

A DESIRABLE INVESTMENT.

A VERY VALUABLE ESTATE IN THE VALLEY OF VIRGINIA FOR SALE UPON REASONABLE TERMS.—Said estate is situated in Augusta county, containing 1,620 acres, well adapted to all kinds of grain and grass. Between 300 and 400 acres are enclosed for cultivation, the balance in valuable timber. The buildings are numerous, and in good order, consisting of a large frame dwelling, extensive stabling, barn, corn crib, granaries, and all other necessary out buildings. The water is of a superior quality—cold, requiring no ice, and very conclusive to health. Running water through the entire length of the place. For particulars inquire of Messrs. Harman & Bell, Staunton, Va. [Nov. 4—3mos.

SALE OF LOT IN STAUNTON.—The undersigned, John Churchman as Commissioner under a decree of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, made in the cause of Geiger's Administrator versus Geiger's heirs, and Robert G. Bickle, as joint owner, will proceed to sell, on Saturday, the 29th day of this month, on the premises, a Lot of Land in the town of Staunton, on the hill adjoining the property of Dr. Stribling, and running through the bottom to the creek, on which there is a Frame Dwelling House.

The terms are costs of sale and one-third in hand, and the balance in equal instalments at 9 and 18 months, with bond and good security, and the title to be reserved as further security.

J. CHURCHMAN, Com.

Nov. 4—tds. ROBERT G. BICKLE.

WANTED,—A SUBSTITUTE for the war. Enquire at my office.

Oct. 7—tf GEO. BAYLOR.

G. C. YEAKLE, DEALER IN WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, SILVER AND *PLATED WARE,* OPPOSITE VA. HOTEL, STAUNTON, VA.

Staunton July 17, 1860.

WM. P. JOHNSON, UNDERTAKER, STAUNTON, VA.,

KEEPS METALLIC CASES, of all sizes on hand, in addition to those of wood made in his shop, sold at reasonable prices. [Nov. 5, 1861—1y

DR. JAMES H. HARRIS, DENTIST, Graduate of Baltimore College of Dental surgery,

OFFERS his Professional services to his friends and the public generally. He will take pleasure in waiting on all those wishing his professional aid at their residences, except for mechanical operations, such as partial or full sets of teeth, which he will put up at his residence, on South River, one mile East of Mt. Meridian. All operations guaranteed equal to any. Address, Mt Meridian, Augusta County, Va. [Sept. 17, 1861.—1y.

NOTICE!

THE subscriber would inform the public that he is now prepared to furnish COFFINS, of all kinds, from the Metallic Burial Case to the plainest wooden Coffin, and at from 10 to 15 per cent. lower than any other establishment in the place. WM. P. JOHNSON.

Dec. 17, 1861.—tf.

PLOUGH CASTINGS.—Livingston's wrought and cast Shears, and a variety of other plough castings always on hand at the *Staunton Foundary.* A. J. GARBER & CO

Staunton Sept. 18, 1860.

IRON RAILING—A variety of patterns, for Yards, Cemetery lots, &c., made to order at the Staunton Foundry. A. J. GARBER & CO

Sept 18, 1859

STAUNTON TANNERY.—The undersigned will pay the highest price for BARK delivered at the Tannery in Staunton.

April 9, '62, to Dec. 9, '62 JAS. MAYS.

BOOKS! BOOKS!!

FINDING that in these war times I cannot get along doing a credit business, I am necessarily compelled to adopt the cash system. I have to pay cash for everything I buy, and my sales are greatly curtailed in the sale of books. I hope my friends will see the necessity of paying the cash for what few articles they may have to purchase from me.

Sep 24—tf ROB'T COWAN.

TANNING.

HAVING purchased of Jacob Crist the Tan-Yard at Spring Hill, with the entire stock, the undersigned will carry on the Tanning business, and beg of their friends, and the public generally, a liberal patronage. CASH PAID FOR HIDES.

S. HUNTER, Nov. 5, 1861.—tf. J. W. SPITLER.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE "MAGNOLIA,"

A SOUTHERN HOME NEWSPAPER:

CHARLES BAILIE, PROPRIETOR.

THIS paper will be published every week. Its contents will be composed of choice selections—both prose and poetical—besides excellent contributions from writers of acknowledged ability. Every effort will be made to make this sheet an entertaining companion at the fireside, the field, and the messboard. Nothing of an immoral nature will be admitted in its column—the aim of its conductor being to encourage a wholesome Southern literature. Each number will contain interesting articles, consisting of Tales, History, Biography, Poetry, and General News.

TERMS.—The "MAGNOLIA" is published weekly at the low price of $2.50 per annum, or $1.50 for 6 months, always in advance. Single copies, 10 cents. Paper stopped when the last number paid for is sent.

Persons sending for the paper must write their name, post office, county and State distinctly. Those wishing their paper changed should state where it has previously been sent.

All letters and communications concerning the paper must be addressed to the proprietor.

THE WAY TO SUBSCRIBE.—The proper mode to subscribe for a paper is to enclose the money in a letter and direct distinctly—giving individual name, with the post-office, county and State.

☞ The "Magnolia" is published in Richmond, Va.

Oct. 21—6t

LAST NOTICE.—Having disposed of our entire Stock of Goods we are very desirous of closing our late business, and request all persons knowing themselves indebted to us on open accounts to come forward, without delay, and pay up, for to give their notes a longer indulgence cannot be granted. Those having claims against us are requested to present the same for payment. CRAWFORD & COCHRAN.

Oct. 28—tf.

TWO HORSES STOLEN OR ESTRAYED.—On SATURDAY night, the 25th of October the subscriber lost two Horses from his pasture field, about 2 miles from Mt. Sidney. One is a chesnut sorrel mare about 6 or 7 years old, with a white spot in the forehead and on the tip of the nose. Shod all around. The other is a brown or dark bay horse about 15 or sixteen years old, his hindfeet are white and turn in somewhat when he moves. A liberal reward will be given for their recovery.

JONATHAN S. STOVER.

Oct 28th—3ts*

SALE OF HORSES, STOCK, &c.—As surviving partner of S. & J. Whitmore, I shall, at my residence, on MONDAY, the 17th day of November, 1862, proceed to sell a lot of very desirable property, consisting of 8 head of horses, some milch cows, a lot of young cattle, 30 fat hogs, a lot of hay, &c.—Also a Buggy and Harness.

TERMS.—Nine months credit, with bond and good personal security. JOHN WHITMORE,

Oct. 28—tds. near Mt. Sidney,

LAST NOTICE.—Those creditors who gave their bonds at the sale of Wm. Young, deceased, are hereby informed that no longer indulgence can be given, and are requested to settle them immediately. They are in the hands of Dr. W. B. Young, Druggist, Staunton, Va.

J. BAYLOR,

Oct. 28—3t. Adm'r of Wm. Young, dec'd.

NOTICE.—Can be had, at John B. Hoge's (Taylor & Hoge's old stand) the following articles:

Letter Paper,
Note Do.,
Cap Do.,
Chocolate,
Concentrated Lye,
Black Varnish,
Indigo,
Camphor,
Magnesia,
Red Pepper,
Essence Coffee,
Paint Brushes, assorted sizes,
Tea Spoons, &c.

Oct, 14, 1862.

OFFICE VA. CENTRAL R. R. CO., September, 11th, 1862.

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.—The following trains will be run on this road on and after Monday, September 15th:

The Mail and Passenger Train leaving Richmond at 7 o'clock A. M. for Staunton and intermediate points daily, returning will leave Staunton at 7 o'clock A. M., and arrive in Richmond at 6:45 P. M.

The Accommodation Passenger Train, leaving Richmond at 3:30 P. M. for Gordonsville and intermediate points daily, Sundays excepted, returning will leave Gordonsville at 6 o'clock P. M. and arrive in Richmond at 12 o'clock M.

The Mail and Passenger Train West of Staunton, leaving Staunton at 6:30 A. M. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and returning the same days.—The Mail Train connects with the Orange and Alexandria Mail Train at Gordonsville for Rapidan, and at Charlottesville for Lynchburg. It connects at Staunton with Stage Lines for Lexington, Harrisonburg and points further North. Servants traveling in first class cars will pay full fare.

The Freight Train leaving Richmond daily, Sundays excepted, at 5:30 A. M. and Staunton for the West at 6:30 A. M. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. The trains will not run West of Milldoro.

H. D. WHITCOMB, General Superintendent,

Sept. 23—tf

TAKE NOTICE.—Any one having a good BLACKSMITH to hire can find a good home for him in the country, and at liberal wages. Enquire at this office.

Oct. 21—tf.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby warned not to hunt or otherwise trespass upon my land, as the law will be enforced against all such. N. S. OPIE.

Oct. 21—2t*

COTTON BATS.—Just received 27 Bales COTTON BATS

Oct 21 JOHN B HOGE.

NOTICE.—Can be had, at John B. Hoge's (Taylor & Hoge's old stand,)

Sugar, Molasses, Rice, Salt, Cotton Yarn, &c., at low figures, for CASH.

Taylor & Hoge's accounts are made off, and they desire to have them settled. All knowing themselves indebted will please come forward; and all having claims against them will present them for settlement.

Oct 7—tf JOHN B. HOGE.

PIANO FORTE FOR SALE.—a first rate instrument, very little used, entirely uninjured; 7 octave; Rosewood finish; made by Knabe & Gaehle. Enquire at this office. [Oct. 21—tf.

HORSE STOLEN.—On Sunday night last, there was stolen, from the pasture-field of the subscriber, a light bay HORSE four years old last Spring. No distinguishing marks recollected. There was no shoe on the left fore foot. A liberal reward will be paid for his recovery.

Oct. 21—tf. HUGH W. SHEFFEY.

Good Counsel is Above all Price.

SUCH was the counsel Franklin gave when he said:

"Take care of the peace, the wounds will take care of themselves."

"Beware of the little expenses, for a small leak will sink a great ship."

"Be patient in adversity and humble in prosperity."

"Be mindful of things past, and provident of things to come."

"Be timely wise, rather than wise in time"—and they who are timely wise buy their Watches, Jewelry, Plated Ware, Cloaks, Hoop Skirts Hosiery, Gloves, Cutlery, Worsted Goods, Combs, Brushes, Hair Braids, Buttons, Trunks, Willow Ware, Musical Instruments, Stationery, Porte Monaies, Purses, Money Belts, and so many other articles that it would take all the papers in the State to enumerate them, at the Cheap Wholesale and Retail Variety Store of GABRIEL HIRSH.

N. B.—That HANDSOME MAN is still engaged in repairing Watches, and Jewelry, at the shortest notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

Staunton, Nov. 20, 1860.

FRIENDS WHO RIDE!

HAVING rented out my own Shop, and having some finished and unfinished work, I have rented the Shop formerly occupied by Judson McCoy, deceased, where I will continue to do repairing as near the old prices as the times and prices will admit.

Horse-Shoeing done. Cash expected.

All having purchased work or any articles at the sale, or having either at either shop, are hereby notified to move the same within ten days, as I need the room. JNO. M. HARDY.

Feb 18, 1862.

BEYOND QUESTION

WE are now receiving a supply of TOBACCO that for quality and variety, cannot be surpassed in the State, comprising all the different grades, running up from a very low price to the choicest chew that can be had. Merchants will please examine our stock before laying in their fall supply.

Staunton, Sept. 25, 1861. R. J. GLENDY, per C T. COCHRAN.

WANTED—TO HIRE,—Until Christmas, a NEGRO BOY, to wait in Dining Room. Enquire at this office. [Oct. 28—tf.

POETRY.

The Southern National Anthem.

I

God save the South!
God save the South!
Her Altars and Firesides!
God save the South!
Now that the war is nigh,
Now that we're arm'd to die,
Chanting the battle cry,
Freedom or death!

II

God be our shield,
At home or in field,
Stretch thine arm over us,
Strengthen and save!
What though the're three to one
Forw rd each sire and son,
Strike till the battle's won,
Strike to the grave.

III.

God make the right,
Stronger than the might!
Millions would trample us,
Down with their pride!
Lay thou their legions low,
Roll back the ruthless foe,
Let the proud spoiler know
God's on our side.

IV.

Hark! honor calls,
Summoning all,
Summoning all of us
Unto the strife.
Sons of the South, awake!
Strike till the bonds shall break!
Strike for dear honor's sake!
Freedom and Life.

V.

Rebels before
Our Fathers of yore;
Rebel, the glorious name
Washington bore.
Why, then, be our's the same,
The name that he snatched from shame
Making it first in fame,
Foremost in war.

VI.

War to the hilt,
Their's be the guilt,
Who fetter the freemen,
To ransom the slave.
Then still be undismayed,
Sheathe not the battle blade,
Till the last foe is laid,
Low in the grave.

[From the Vicksburg Whig.]

The Song of Ossian.

MR. EDITOR: I have attempted a tribute to the heroism of Vicksburg, in an effusion intended to be imitative of Ossian. It occurred to me that prose would be too tame, and mere rhyme too sickly and common-place, to record such high deeds of chivalry and patriotism as were recently enacted by your city. At all events, the subjoined eulogy is quite sincere, and, certainly, well deserved:

THE SONG OF OSSIAN TO THE "HILL CITY."

I sing to thee, oh Queen of the green South. I sing to thee, bright City of the Hills. The story of thy noble deeds signs in every gale. Thy glory is everwhere whispered by the "Father of Waters." Queen of the great river! thou sittest enthroned on the eternal hills. Thy crown shines like the sun. Thy diadem of glory sparkles like the stars. Thou lavest thy feet in the monarch stream. In thy right hand is the sceptre of command. On thy spotless brow, oh radiant Queen of the South! thou wearest the laurel wreath of Glory. On thy gleaming helmet, sit Victory and Honor, dazzling as the cherubim. The world is full of thy fame. The song of Ossian is to thee, oh city of bright flowers! He strikes his harp to hymn thy deeds, fair city of the South.

I hear the tramp of the invader. The hosts of the Tyrant come like the thundering avalanche. They are thick as the green leaves of Summer From the regions of ice they pour, like demons from the lower shades. From granite mountains of the North they come, like the dark storm cometh. They float upon the bosom of the great river. Their monster boats, grim as frowning, cover the bosom of the flowing stream. Fly to the hills, oh dark eyed daughters of the South; the hand of the Despot is upon thee. Like the voice of thunder, roar the canons, of the Northmen. Like hissing meteors, their deadly shells fly athwart the sky. Thy goodly mansions fall with a crash. The eternal hills reel upon their foundations Art thou doomed to death, oh evergreen city of my love? Oh, City of the Hills, is there no arm to save?

Oh weeping daughters of the doomed city, behold thy "Defenders." Stalwart warriors, from "the dark and bloody ground," man thy thundering batteries. Heroes from the orange groves of the "Pelican State" serve the flaming guns. Knights from fair Tennessee are there. They come from the land of Jackson, where mountain torrents roar. Thy own true sons, oh, Mississippi, waive their glimmering swords. Each bronzed and frowning warrior stands, firm as a granite tower. Like cedars of Lebanon, they stand in thick array. Firm are they, as thy unyielding hills, oh, bleeding city! Sons of the evil eye, the bard records thy glory. Heroes of the lion heart, the strings of Ossian's harp tremble to thy fame. Thy hearts are hearts of fire, oh, valiant "children of the sun!" The combat rages. Like the fog of the great river, the war cloud rolls. Thy defenders, lovely city, have no fear. Their frowning brows are begrimed by powder. They move in the flames like enchanted fire kings. Their strong arms send home the ponderous ball. They touch the glowing match, and the roaring cannon shakes the hills. The trees of the forest tremble, like reeds in the wind. Thy brave defenders know no fear; they "never surrender." They bleed and fall, but waver not. They faint in the summer sunbeam, yet they serve thy frowning guns. Thy whizzing balls crash through the iron ships of the Despot.

The blood of thy foes stream from the iron ribs of their ships. The hosts of the invader fall like autumn grain before the scythe. Baffled and crippled, the war monsters, like wounded serpents, crawl away. Thy foes melt away, like the mist of the great river, when the sun mounts his throne in the east. They sweep to the distant sea, like broken clouds before the spent storm. The streaming mess of thy giant trees floats as funeral banners for thy foes. Victory is thine, oh, eternal city of the hills! Silence reigns once more. Our weary warriors sleep by the glowing guns. The cold moon shines upon the silent city. On mystic city of silence, where are thy thronging children? Oh, Queen of the South, how tomb-like is thy repose! Home of the brave, how are thy places despoiled!

The spirit of Ossian glides down the stream of time. In the shadow of coming years, he reads the future; like the murmur of a distant fountain, the coming years speak to the bard. Once more, oh, Vicksburg, city of delight, I stand upon the hill and look down upon thee. The sun, like a warrior's shield of gold, shines upon thy peaceful halls. Thy streets swarm with crowded sons of the land of flowers; thy happy maidens like glowing angels, flit through thy buzzing streets. The breast of the giant stream bears a thousand floating palaces of commerce. The voice of their laboring engines, like a forest of lions, wakes the echoes of the tangled swamp. The sons of labor ply the whizzing spindle and the clanging loom. Swarthy artisans swing the ponderous hammer. "The iron horse" neighs his coming, like a wild spirit from the shades. From glowing furnaces like spires from the volcano, an hundred columns of smoke and vapor ascend.

Thy noble merchants roll the gilded car of commerce; their shells groan with the rich wares of distant lands." "King Cotton," like an aged monarch restored to his throne, wields his sceptre of command. Peace, like the wings of an angel, folds thee beneath her pinions, oh! city of the Brave and Fair! The history of the Pas like the gem of a monarch, sparkles upon thy dazzling brow. I gaze upon thee, bright city, until the evening shadows come. The round moon, robed in silver, comes forth like the Queen of the East. The attendant stars look down upon the happy city. The spirits of thy pale Defenders smile upon thee from the fleecee clouds. Dark-eyed maidens move in thy lighted halls. They sit beneath wreathing vines, on beds of flowers, and touch the strings of the harp with snowy fingers; they sing the glories of the past. Thy stately halls give no echo to the stride of the despot. Thy soil hath no impress of the *Yankee* step. The spirit of Ossian hears the ringing laugh of blue-eyed children in thy happy bowers. The song of the mockbird sounds in his ears. Rest thee, oh city of the brave, in the sweet embrace of Liberty, lulled by the whispers of dove-like Peace. The bards of coming years shall hymn thy fame, when Ossian's cold hand no more sweeps the strings of his lyre. History shall wreath thy name in flowers immortal. The stamp of eternal glory is on thy name, unconquered city of the hills. OSSIAN.

Prepare for the Incendiaries and Plunderers.

The county Courts ought to appoint patrols or some guards in every neighborhood Neighbors ought to organize themselves and be ready to render such assistance as exigencies may require All that is wanted besides is a little vigilance; but vigilance and organization are not to be dispensed with in such times as the present. We trust these intimations will be received as a word to the wise.

There are other subjects that deserve much attention at this time. The enemy are changing their system of war. The plundering that was occasional and sporadic before, depending somewhat on the character of the commander, is probably to become universal. The country through which they may pass is to be despoiled. The citizens are to be indiscriminately robbed. In the latest despatches which have come to us through the enemy's papers, touching the operations of McClellan's army, we find the following:

"General Pleasanton is now seizing all horses to be found for the use of the Government, without reference to the opinions of the owners."

Now, so far as possible, we ought to leave nothing for the enemy to commit robbery upon At all events anything that has legs, like a horse, or a beef, should be driven away before he comes.

The negroes whom he has heretofore seduced, he will probably hereafter constrain. They should be kept out of his way as far as possible. In the districts which have been ravaged by the war, these removals will be difficult for the owners to effect for want of transportation and other facilities. We entreat, therefore, our Generals in command in the various localities, and those who have the direction and management of affairs to make it a prominent idea in their plans subordinate only to the exigencies of important military operations to afford every possible facility and protection to the citizens in removing their property out of the enemy's grasp. We now that it is the policy of the Commissary Department to draw its supplies from the exposed localities first; and that arrangements have been made to effect this. We entreat all connected with the transportation service whether in civil or military capacity, to bend their energies to the promoting of the same end. It is a high duty of patriotism, because it is an important patriotic service. We shall thus save our citizens from plunder, deprive the enemy of this source of supply, and secure to ourselves the benefit of all our resources.

Let the citizens themselves be active in effecting the removals we have mentioned. Government should do all it can, but cannot do all it may wish. Take counsel of your own ingenuity and energy, and act without unnecessary delay. —*Richmond Enquirer.*

Bedford County--Clothing the Soldiers.

"At a court held for Bedford county, on the 27th day of October, 1862---present twenty five of the acting Justices of the said county---the following was unanimously entered: The Court, impressed with the propriety of aiding the Government, as far as practicable, in clothing the troops, from this county, in the Confederate service, and earnestly invoking like action in the other counties of the Commonwealth, in reference to the troops in service from such counties, doth order, that William A Wingfield, Thomas Y. Mosby, James T. Noell and Jesse Minter, Esqs. be and they are hereby appointed, Commissioners, whose duty it shall be to visit our armies in Northern Virginia, and the Hon. John Goode, Jr., a commissioner to visit the army near Richmond and ascertain, as accurately as possible, the necessities of the troops from this county, in respect to clothing including shoes, socks, blankets, and every article embraced in a soldier's apparel and out-fit; that the Hon. John Goode, Jr., also repair to Richmond, and confer with the proper authorities of the Confederate Government, and ascertain what arrangements, if any, can be made with the Government for aiding it in furnishing said clothing to the troops from this county, proposing to the said authorities at the cost of the Government, to co-operate with it in the procuring, providing, making up and forwarding such clothing as may be necessary for the purpose aforesaid: and that the Justices of this county, in the several magisterial districts, with such persons as they may deem necessary to associate with them in the discharge of the duties hereby imposed, make diligent inquiry and ascertain, as far as possible, the kind and quantity of such clothing, which may be procured in their several districts; and the material and facilities for making or manufacturing such and the probable cost. It shall, moreover, be the duty of such Justices to solicit voluntary contributions of such clothing and materials for making such, and receive and hold the same subject to the order of this Court. The Commissioners and Justices aforesaid shall proceed, without delay, to execute this order, and report their proceedings to this Court at its next term for such further action in the premises as by the Court may be deemed advisable. And the Court doth further order, that the Commissioners aforesaid shall be reimbursed out of the county levy for their travelling expenses, and any other necessary expenses incurred in executing this order.

The Fate of a Speculator.

A St. Louis correspondent gives the following reminiscences of a collapsed millionare and speculator;

The once celebrated John Beal Steinberger better known as Baron Steinberger, died here October 14th, in reduced circumstances. Steinberger was a partner of Nicholas Biddle, and at one time the twain cleared three millions of dollars in a single speculation in cotton. He commenced life as a cattle dealer in Virginia, and for a long period controlled the beef market of that State. Subsequently he attempted to control the entire beef market of the United States, and for a long time bade fair to succeed, but the combinations of other dealers broke him down and accomplished for that time his financial ruin.

Nothing daunted at his ill luck, he again entered the commercial arena, and speedily rose to his former position. The old United States Bank loaned him a million dollars on his individual security, and his credit was considered good for double that amount He was one of the principal parties concerned in breaking the United States Bank, and bringing upon the country the financial troubles of 1839.

In 1849 he went to California and engaged in immense speculations in cattle, amassing a splendid fortune and losing it as before. When Fremont took command at this department he came hither and was in the employ of some of the beef contractors in the West. His habits of dissipation interfered with his business and lost him employment, and of late he has been in needy circumstances His wife was a daughter of Colonel Burne, of Virginia, and owns property in her own right of over half a million of dollars in value. In his days of prosperity, Steinberger was lavish in his outlays, and frequently gave dinners costing upwards of $10,000.

Tallow Candles Equal to Sugar.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—It may be of some interest to your numerous readers to know that, with not a cent of additional expense, tallow candles can be made fully equal in point of merit to the common star candle.

To two pounds of tallow add one teacupful of good strong ley, from wood ashes, and simmer over a slow fire, when a greasy scum will float on top; skim this off for making soap, (it is very near soap already,) as long as it continues to rise. Then mould your candles as usual, making the wicks a little smaller, and you have a pure, hard tallow candle, worth knowing how to make, and one that burns as long, and gives a light equal to sperm. The chemistry demonstrates it se'f. An ounce or two of beeswax will make the candle some harder, and steeping the wicks in spirits turpentine will make it burn some brighter. I write with one before me.

A SUBSTITUTE FOR SHOES.—An old and experienced citizen has called our attention to the subject of the use of cowhide moccasins as a substitute for shoes. He states that when he moved to Mississippi, fifty-two years ago, no shoes were to be had for the negroes, and they made their own out of this material, which answered the purpose as well as the more elaborately made article, and in some respects better The process is simple: take a green cowhide, or one well soaked, with the hair on—which is to go next to the foot—put the foot down firmly upon it, and cut out the pattern desired, and make the necessaay holes along the edges, and lace it with a thong of the same material at the heel and up the instep. Let it upon the foot, and it accommodates itself perfectly to the shape of the latter, while it is sufficiently substantial for all kinds of traveling, and its elasticity is preserved by use. Socks should be put on when it is made though it can be worn without, and such allowance made for shrinking as to avoid too tight a fit The moccasin, it is scarcely necessary to observe, adapts itself to the shape of the foot, the fit is perfect. It outwears leather, and is not hard, as some might suppose but quite the reverse. If desired, it can be half soled with the same material. The hair lining gives the advantage of warmth, so that socks, when not to be had can be better dispensed with when moccasins are used than if shoes were worn.

The gentleman to whom we are indebted for this suggestion says that he has mentioned the subject to soldiers, who are very much pleased with it, and says there is no reason why soldiers should go barefooted while so many hides are thrown away in camps.

We think the idea a valuable one, and would be glad that every newspaper in the Confederacy would lend its aid in giving it circulation.

Movements of the Enemy in West Tennessee.

MOBILE, November 6th.—A special dispatch to the "Advertiser and Register," dated Holly Springs, 5th, says:

The enemy have advanced in force to Legrange Tennessee, and are reported advancing on this place. Jackson