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RICHARD MAUZY, Editor & Proprietor.

VIRGINIA:—

At a Court continued and held for Augusta county, at the Court-House, on Tuesday, the 25th day of November, 1862—

Ordered, That Colonel John B. Baldwin, Colonel Wm. H. Harman, and Hugh W. Sheffey, Esq., be appointed a Committee to prepare an order, having for its object: 1st, the appointment of Committees in each Magisterial District to solicit subscriptions in money, shoes, blankets and clothing, for the benefit of the soldiers from Augusta county in the army, and of a Central Committee to receive, dispose of, and distribute such supplies as may be needed by the soldiers. And 2d. To appeal to the people, and especially the ladies of the county, to contribute liberally of their means for the relief of the soldiers from the county in the manner aforesaid.

In pursuance of the foregoing order, Colonel John B. Baldwin prepared the following Entry, which is ordered to be entered of record as follows, viz:

It has come to the knowledge of the Court that our brave soldiers are greatly in need of essential articles of clothing and bedding, and that as winter advances, destitution and suffering stare them in the face.

It has become manifest that it will not do to rely wholly upon the efforts of the Government to supply these wants of the soldier, and that if our people wish to save the army they must take the business in hand themselves.

In view of this pressing emergency, the Court have deemed it not improper, in the absence of any more efficient organization, to suggest the following plan of affording to our people the opportunity to aid in a work which, it is not doubted, will enlist their most heart-felt sympathy:

1. The Justices of the county and of the town of Staunton will constitute Committees in their several districts, charged with the duty of calling upon the people of the county and of the town of Staunton, to contribute in money, materials or work, in clothing, blankets, shoes, stockings or other things calculated to add to the comfort and health of our soldiers.

The Justices in each district will appoint canvassers, male and female, to visit every house, call upon every family and citizen, and ascertain what supplies useful for the soldier can be spared by those at home, and be given or sold for their use.

All donations will be reported to the Central Committee hereafter named, who will, at their discretion, make purchases according to the means provided.

2. Albert J. Garber, Esq., and Rev. Messrs Campbell, Wheeler, Wheat, and Gilbert, will act as a Central Committee charged with the duty of regulating and directing the systematic action of their district Committees and Canvassers, and of receiving all donations for the benefit of the soldiers. The money received will be expended under their direction in the purchase of such articles as they may find most needed, and they will make such distribution of the means placed at their disposal as will most advance the comfort, health and efficiency of the soldiers from Augusta county actually in the field.

3 The general plan of distribution will be, as far as practicable, to sell all supplies to the Quartermaster of the army for the special use of the Augusta soldiers, so as to be able to use the money again either in purchasing other supplies or in contributing to the relief of the families of the absent soldiers. And all the efforts and operations of the Committees will be, as far as possible, in aid of and in co-operation with the authorities of the army.

4. Special contributions will be received by the Committees for the benefit of soldiers named by the donors and will be forwarded according to their directions.

In suggesting this plan for the relief of the soldiers from this county, the Court would not willingly be understood as limiting the sympathy or the kindness of our people by any artificial, local or State lines, but they believe that greater certainty and efficiency will be secured if each community will look after its own sons and brothers in the army.

This Court will not believe that any labored argument or appeal can be necessary to induce the people of Augusta county to respond earnestly and efficiently to the call now made upon them.

The citizens at home in comfort and safety will not forget the soldier who, in his defence, has left his home with all its comforts, to encounter the discomfort and suffering and danger of the camp and the battle-field. The family gathered around the fireside at home, before returning to sleep, rendered safe by the labors and sufferings of our army will remember the brave defender, who for their sakes, is exposed half-clad to the storms of the winter night.

The county, free from the tread of the invader, will never consent to have it said that the brave boys who have driven him back are marching barefooted to the field of battle.

[Copy—teste.]

Dec. 2—3t WM. A. BURNETT, D. C.

ADJT. AND INST. GENL'S OFFICE, RICHMOND, Nov. 27, 1862.

General Orders No 96

Commandants of conscripts will cause the following order to be published for at least seven times in a sufficient number of newspapers in each State of the Confederacy to ensure its reaching every part of the country:

I. All commissioned officers and enlisted men who are new absent from their commands, from any other cause than actual disability, or duty under orders from the Secretary of War, or from their department commanders, will return to their commands without delay.

II Commissioned officers failing to comply with the provisions of the foregoing paragraph within a reasonable length of time, in no case to be exceed twenty days after the publication of this order, shall be dropped from the rolls of the army in disgrace, and their names will be furnished to the commandant of conscripts for enrollment in the ranks.

III. All enlisted men who shall fail to comply with the provisions of Paragraph I., of this order, within a reasonable length of time, shall be considered as deserters, and treated accordingly, their names to be furnished to the commandant of conscripts in their State, for publication or such other action as may be deemed most efficacious.

IV. In order to ensure the efficient co operation of all concerned to carry this order into immediate effect, Department Commanders are directed to require from the commanding officer of each separate command in their Departments a prompt report of the names of all commissioned officers and enlisted men now absent from their commands. These reports must state in each case the cause of absence, and any regimental, battalion, or company commander who shall neglect to furnish such a report, or who shall knowingly be guilty of concealing any case of unauthorized absence, shall on conviction thereof, be summarily dismissed.

V. Under the provision of the 2nd clause of paragraph I, of General Orders, No. 82, commissioned officers and privates who are incapable of bearing arms in consequence of wounds received in battle, but who are otherwise fit for service, are required, if not otherwise assigned, to report to the nearest commandant of conscripts in their respective States, who will, if they are fitted for such duty, assign them to the collection of stragglers and the enforcement of the provisions of this order, with full power to call upon the nearest military authority for such assistance as may be necessary thereto.

VI. Officers of the Quartermaster's Department, charged with payment of troops, are hereby directed not to pay any commissioned officer, non-commissioned officer or private, who does not furnish satisfactory evidence that he is not liable to the penalties described in the foregoing order. Any disbursing officer who shall make payment in violation of this order shall be liable on his bond for the amount of such payment. By order,

(Signed,) S. COOPER,

Dec 9—8t Adj. and Inspector General.

$100 REWARD!

On Friday, Nov. 28th 1862, a Bay MAKE was stolen out of my stable. She is a deep red in color, moves finely, paces and dog trots. She has a small lump on her back, caused by saddle, also, a small star in forehead, and on chin, but rather indistinct—can be discovered by close examination. A reward of $50 will be given for her delivery, and $50 for the rogue.

R. W. BEAR,
Conrad's Store,
Rockingham co., Va.

Dec 2—3t*

$25 REWARD.

Runaway from the subscriber on the night of the 26th insant, my boy ABNEY. He had on when he left home a light drab suit of clothes, slouch hat and boots. He is about 5 feet 2 or 3 inches high, bright yellow color, pleasant countenance, and intelligent, the middle finger on the right hand is rather stiff, and stands out when he closes his hand. He is about 40 years of age.

The above reward will be paid for his apprehension if taken out of the county and secured that I get him, and $10 if caught in this county.

WM. P. TATE,
Staunton, Va.

Dec. 2—tf.

$50 REWARD.

Runaway, from the subscriber, on the night of 22d November, my girl Sally. Said Sally is a mulatto of about 22 years, above the medium size, and inclined to corpulency, she had a scar on forehead, and had lost the fingers of right hand. She took a quantity of good clothing, and had on a black crochet bonnet, and a blue plaid shawl. The above reward will be paid for the apprehension of said girl or confinement in jail, as she will make for the Yankees.

Dec2—3t WM. J. HOPKINS.

LOST—$10 REWARD.

The subsriber lost, between Staunton and Arbor-Hill, a Patent Lever Watch. The finder will receive the above reward by leaving the Watch with Mr. Palmer, at Arbor Hill, or at this office.

Dec 2—3t* GEO. F. CARRELL,

WANTED.

To engage a SUBSTITUTE for which a liberal price will be paid. Enquire at this office.

Dec. 2—3ts C.

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF ORDNANCE AND HYDROGRAPHY,
Richmond, Va., Nov. 19, 1862.

PROPOSALS FOR COPPER and IRON.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 3 o'clock on Saturday, the 20th day of December, 1862, for furnishing and delivering, for the use of the Navy for the year ending December 31st, 1863, the following quantities and descriptions of Copper and Iron, viz:

150 tons of Ingot Copper.
1000 tons of accepted Gun Iron.
1500 tons of No. 1 cold blast charcoal Iron.
1500 tons of No. 2 do do
1000 tons of No. 3 do do
2000 tons of hot blast Iron.
1500 tons of Charcoal Blooms.
2000 tons of Iron Plates for covering vessels, punched and finished.

The whole to be subject to inspection and approval.

Persons offering will state the price per ton of 2240 lbs. for the Pig Iron and Blooms, and the price per pound for the Iron Plates and Copper, and how soon they will agree to deliver, within the year, the whole quantity of Copper and Iron which they may offer to furnish.

The deliveries are to be made to some authorized agent at the nearest Railroad or Canal station to the places where the Copper and Iron are manufactured.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a written guarantee, signed by two responsible parties, of the ability of the person offering to comply with his bid, should it be accepted.

Bonds, with approved sureties in twice the amount of the contract, will be required.

Each proposal must be sealed, endorsed—"Proposal for Copper," or "Iron," as the case may be, and directed to Commander GEORGE MINOR, Chief of Ordnance and Hydrography, Richmond, Va.

Nov. 25—4t.

☞ Atlanta, Ga., Confederacy, Mobile Advertiser, Selma, Alabama, Daily Issue, Raleigh Standard, Columbia, S. C., Banner, Knoxville, Tenn., Register, Lynchburg Republican, Charleston, S. C., Courier, Staunton, Va., Spectator, will please copy this advertisement, and send bill to this Department.—*Richmond Enquirer.*

FOR SALE—THE MILLER IRON WORKS.—We offer for sale, privately, the FURNACE, with the extensive TIMBER LANDS thereto attached. The Forge is in complete working order. The Merchant MILL, which, with the Forge, has the best Water Power in the Valley.

Nine Farms, varying in size from 150 to 500 acres, of good arable land, and several of them well improved.

This property is so well known in the Valley of Virginia that any detailed description of it is unnecessary, and other means will be adopted to bring it to the attention of the Iron men of other States.

The Iron Works are now in full operation, and a purchaser of the Furnace or Forge, will be furnished at valuation with the stock necessary to carry it on.

The terms of sale will be such, that upon paying a moderate share of the purchase money, and securing the remainder, the purchaser shall have a liberal time for the after payments.

Mr. John F. Lewis, who resides upon the premises, will show the property to persons wishing to purchase.

For further information, address—

BENJAMIN CRAWFORD, or
JOSEPH SMITH,

Nov. 18—6t Staunton, Va.

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 6:15 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 Millboro.

H. D. WHITCOMB,
General Superintendent,

Sept. 23—tf

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 conducive to health. Running water through the entire length of the place. For particulars inquire of Messrs. Harman & Bell, Staunton, Va. [Nov. 4—3mos.

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.

RICHMOND, VA.,
November 11th, 1862.

EXCHANGE NOTICE—No. 3.

All Confederate officers and men who have been captured and paroled in Virginia or Maryland at any time from the beginning of hostilities to the 1st of November, 1862, have been duly exchanged, and are hereby so declared

2. All Confederate officers and men who have been delivered at Aiken's Landing, on James river, at any time previous to the 11th of November, 1862, have been duly exchanged, and are hereby so declared.

3. All Confederate officers and men who have been delivered at Vicksburg, Mississippi, previous to the 1st of November, 1862, and including said date, have been duly exchanged, and are hereby so declared.

ROBERT OULD,
Agent of Exchange.

Nov 18—6t

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.

NOTICE.

The co-partnership heretofore existing under the style of "Crawford & Cochran," is dissolved by limitation. All indebted to the late firm will please come forward and settle without delay, with either of them, who are only authorized to close the late business.—In the absence of B. Crawford, G. M. Cochran will attend, at the old stand, to the settlement of the business.

B. CRAWFORD,
Nov. 18—6t G. M. COCHRAN.

SHOE PEGS.

The subscribers are prepared to furnish all sizes of SHOE PEGS by wholesale or retail.

Dec. 2—1mo* H. J. LUSHBAUGH & BROS.
Staunton, Va.

The Richmond Dispatch copy one month in daily and send account to this office.

HORSE STOLEN—$20 REWARD.—On Friday night last, the 28th of Nov., near the Middle River Bridge, on the McAdamised road, about 6 miles from Staunton, the subscriber had his Mare stolen. She is a small grey mare, has had her mane roached, is about 6 years old, has a slight saddle mark about the middle of the back, is a natural pacer, and lopes well, and carries her head somewhat straight when the rein is given. The subscriber will give $20 reward for the recovery of the Mare. His address is Harrisonburg, Rockingham county, Va.

Dec. 2—3t* GEO. W. WEBSTER.

$20 REWARD,

For a bay MARE stolen from my field. She was 6 years old, left hind foot white, and also part of the hoof of right fore foot; also, a grey spot on the left fore shoulder; heavy mane and tail—the latter cropt off a little. Address— PETER PITCH, Sr.,

Nov 4—tf. Burke's Mill, Augusta co., Va.

☞ Rockingham Register copy.

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT,
STAUNTON, Va., November 15, 1862.

PERSONS having claims against my Department are requested to present them at once for payment. Persons holding back their claims will find difficulty in settling them.

H. M. BELL,
Nov. 18—tf. Maj. & Q. M. C. S. A.

PUBLIC SALES.

RECEIVER'S SALE OF LAND AND LOTS.—By virtue of decrees rendered by the District Court of the Confederate States for the Western District of Virginia, held at Lexington, on the 3d day of October, 1862, I will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, before my office door in Staunton, on FRIDAY, the 9th day of January next, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M. and 4 P. M., the following real estate lately belonging to the following named alien enemies, but now confiscated to said Confederate States:

1st. A two-story framed house and lot, on the East side of New street, Staunton, late the property of James Campbell, an alien, formerly owned by Robt. Campbell, dec'd.

2d. A 2-story framed house and large lot near Staunton, a short distance beyond the Steam Mills, late the property of John B. Wright, an alien.

3d. A small house and lot on Green street, Staunton, late the property of Mason Hirsh & Bro., aliens.

4th. A tract of 100 acres of land, about 2 miles S. West of Staunton, with a dwelling house and good Apple Orchard thereon, joining the lands of John Paris and others, late the property of C. D. Watson, an alien; subject to a lien in favor of Pike Powers and Wm. W. Donaghe, whose amount will be made known on the day of sale.

The terms of sale for all the above property (except the Campbell lot,) are one-third of the purchase money down, the balance in equal instalments of 6, 12 and 18 months, secured by bond with personal security and liens on the land and lots, and bearing interest from date.

As to the Campbell lot, one-third down, the balance in two equal instalments of six and twelve months, with interest from date, secured in like manner. But the purchaser to have the option of paying all down except the lien on the Watson tract, which will have to be negotiated with its owner.

The above property is all very valuable, and the title is believed good; but acting as Receiver, I will convey with special warranty.

Dec 9—tds THOS. J. MICHIE.

☞ Richmond Enquirer please insert in semi-weekly issue till day of sale and forward account to this office for collection.

VALUABLE LANDS FOR SALE.—As executors of the will of John Craun, senior, deceased, we will, on the 1st day of January next, (New Year's day,) sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following FARMS:

1st. A tract of about 225 acres, the Home Farm, called the "Long Farm." It lies on the North Branch of Naked Creek, adjoining the lands of S. Long and Esquire Brown, in Augusta county. It has on it a fine BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, with eight rooms, a fine basement story and two good cellars; also, a good Barn and Horse Stable, Corncrib, Smokehouse, and all necessary buildings. The land of this farm is of excellent quality, and the Meadow unsurpassed by none in the Valley for the production of Hay of a good quality.

2d. A tract containing 125 acres, lying on the North Branch of Naked Creek, adjoining the Home Farm.—This tract contains a Dwelling House and Stable, and the land is of fine quality. It has a No. 1 Meadow, and, we believe, every field in both tracts has water in it, and a never-failing stream runs through both farms sufficient to water the Meadows.

3d. A tract containing 100 acres, near Centreville, Augusta county. This tract is called the "Swank Farm," and has upon it a No. 1 Orchard, of all kinds of fruit, which never fails. There is a Meadow upon it, and water in every field on the farm.

4th. One-half of a Store house and Lot, in Centreville, with a Dwelling House attached to it. It is a No. 1 stand for a store.

TERMS:—One-third of the purchase money on the 1st day of March, and the balance in equal instalments of one, two and three years, with good personal security, and the title retained as ultimate security on the three farms. The terms of sale of Store house and Lot will be made known on the day of sale.

J. H. CRAUN, } Executors.
GEO. CRAUN, }

November 11—tds.

☞ Rockingham Register copy.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.—If not sold privately, the subscribers will offer for sale, at 12 M., on the 23d of December, 1862, their valuable FARM, Alma,—lying 3 miles South of Lexington, Va., within 3 miles of North River Canal, convenient to Churches, manufacturing mills, and in an agreeable and healthy neighborhood. The Farm is of good soil, well adapted to the growth of grain and the grasses, well watered, and contains 549¾ acres, (by late survey,) to be sold in gross and not by the acre; of which about 150 acres are well timbered, the whole being under excellent fencing. On the premises is a very comfortable brick dwelling, containing six rooms, prettily situated, comfortable stables, two barns and all other necessary out-houses. Also, a large Apple and Peach Orchard (young) of choice selections, and now bearing. It is a valuable grazing farm, being natural for blue grass, with running water in every field. One of the subscribers, who resides on the Farm, will take pleasure in showing the land to persons desiring to purchase. Terms made known on day of sale.

J. G. & D. E. LAIRD.
Dec 9—2t Lexington, Va.

PUBLIC SALE OF LAND—A FINE ESTATE AT AUCTION.—By virtue of a decree rendered by the Circuit Court of Augusta county at the November term, 1862, in case of Glenn, &c., vs. Glenn's infants, I shall, on Wednesday, the 24th day of December next, as Commissioner appointed under said decree, proceed to sell, at public auction, on the premises hereinafter described, a very valuable tract of LAND, lying on a branch of the South River, in Augusta county, adjoining the lands of George W. Crobarger, John A Shields, and Adam M. Hawpe, containing 296 Acres. Said land belongs to the heirs of George Glenn, dec'd, and to Mary E. Glenn. There is a very good Frame Dwelling House, out houses and Barn on the land; an excellent Spring of never-failing water, a stream of running water through the Farm, a considerable quantity of Meadow, a good Orchard, a good proportion of cleared Land, the residue of which is well Timbered. Further description is deemed unnecessary, as persons wishing to purchase a good farm will do well to call and examine the premises before the day of sale.

TERMS OF SALE, as set forth in the decree, is one-fourth of purchase money in hand, the balance in three equal annual instalments

MATTHEW PILSON,
Nov. 25—tds. Commissioner.

☞ Rockingham Register copy.

LAND FOR SALE.—In virtue of a decretal order rendered by the Circuit Court of Augusta county, in the cause therein depending between Elizabeth Long's Administrator and James Allen's representatives, et als., I shall proceed, on the premises, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of December next, to sell, at public sale, to the highest bidder, the tract of LAND held in their lifetime jointly by James Allen and Elizabeth Long, in Augusta county, containing about 200 acres. It has on it a comfortable Brick Mansion-House, good water and orchard, is about 8½ miles from Greenville, and is a desirable home. I will show it to persons desiring to see the property.

TERMS:—Costs of sale in hand; remainder in equal instalments at 6, 18 and 30 months, the purchaser to give bond and sufficient personal security and the title to be retained as further security.

Nov. 18—tds JOHN NEWTON, Com'r.

COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF NEGROES.

Under order of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, rendered at the November term, 1862, in the case of Randolph's widow and heirs, vs. Randolph's Administrator's, &c., the undersigned Commissioners will proceed, at the town of Greenville, on the 27th day of December, 1862, to sell seven likely SLAVES, consisting of 4 men, 1 woman, 1 boy and 1 girl.

Terms of Sale:—Three months credit for bonds, with approved security.

Sale to commence at 11 o'clock, A. M.

WM. F SMITH, } Com'rs.
Nov. 18—tds* JOHN J. LAREW, }

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF NEGROES.—As Administrator *de bonis non* with the Will annexed of William Smith, dec'd, I will proceed, at the town of Greenville, in Augusta county, to sell, at public auction, on the 27th day of December, 1862, 10 likely negroes—men, women and children—which were left by the Will of said William Smith to N. Tarbet and wife, for life, and directed by his Will to be sold at their death.

Terms of Sale:—Three months credit for bonds with approved security. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock.

WM. F SMITH,
Administrator *de bonis non* with the Will annexed
Nov. 18—tds* of William Smith, deceased.

COMMISSIONERS SALE OF LAND.

By virtue of a decree of the County Court of Augusta, Va., (in chancery) I will sell to the highest bidder on Friday, January 2d, 1863, the undivided interest of D. Lucas, Jun., Deceased, (being one-twelfth, subject to the Widow's dower claim) in about 200 acres of land belonging to estate of D. Lucas, sen., deceased. It lies in the upper end of Augusta county, near Newport.

Terms:—One half cash and balance in six months. Bond with good personal security, and the title retained as further security. HENRY OTT,

Dec 9—tds Commissioner.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE AT AUCTION, JANUARY 1ST, 1863.—I will offer for sale, at public auction, on the 1st day of January, 1863, (New Year day,) my HOUSE and LOT, situated just beyond the limits of the corporation of the town of Staunton. The Lot contains 10 acres of land, immediately on the Va. Central Railroad; a portion of which is in native forest of oak, with a comfortable Brick Dwelling, frame Kitchen, Smokehouse, and all other necessary out-houses; ice-house and an excellent well of water, good Garden with a Southern exposure, and a young Orchard of Peach and Apple Trees, commencing to bear. Any person wishing to purchase a retired home, "free from the noise and bustle of city life," would do well to examine the above property before the day of sale.

Terms made known on day of sale.

Dec 9—tds RACHAEL C. LEWIS.

☞ For further particulars enquire of Benjamin Crawford.

PUBLIC SALES.

FOR SALE,
THE STAUNTON STEAM MILLS.

THIS valuable property, built in 1858, at a cost of $27,000, and furnished with the most improved machinery, will be sold at public sale in front of the Post-office in Staunton, on the 27th day of December, 1862, unless previously disposed of, of which due notice will be given.

There are 5 pairs of best French Burrs of 4 feet diameter and 22 inches depth. The pair of Plaster Burrs are in a seperate room and entirely cut off from the flouring Mills. The Bolts and Chests are of the most superior character and have a small Burr attached for regrinding middlings. The whole are driven by one of the celebrated "Corliss" Steam Engines of 60 horse power, capable of working up to 90 horse power and with more regularity than can be secured by ordinary water power, and has consumed only a cord of wood in manufacturing 40 barrels of flour. The Mill House is 70 by 45, and four stories high; and the Engine House 50 by 35, one story high, and both covered with slate. The Mill is planned with reference to additional improvements, and which a rapidly increasing custom will soon render necessary. Present capacity of the Mill, 120 barrels per day.

The Mill Lot contains 2½ acres, adjoins the depot of the Central Rail Road, a side track of which runs to the Mill-door. It has also abundance of water and a fine site for a Tannery. A Cooper Shop, 65 by 24, is on the Mill lot and furnished with the most improved machinery for making barrels, buckets, &c, which machinery may be bought with the Mill at the option of the purchaser.

The attention of the public is invited to this Property, which is believed to be in competent hands, one of the most valuable in the grain growing Valley of Virginia.

Terms liberal as to time, and will be made known on day of sale, or all cash, if the purchaser desires it.

S. A. RICHARDSON,
Dec 2—tds W. H. TAMS.

☞ Richmond Whig and Lynchburg Republican copy three times a week till sale. Rockingham Register and Lexington Gazette copy till sale. All send bills to this office for payment.

VERY VALUABLE MERCHANT MILL IN AUGUSTA COUNTY FOR SALE AT AUCTION.

The undersigned will offer for sale at auction on Monday the 22d day of December (Court day) in the town of Staunton, that very valuable Merchant Mill property known as the Augusta or Peck's mill, situated on Christian's Creek, within 300 yards of the Va. Central Rail Road, adjoining the Scottsville turnpike, 4 miles from Staunton, and 2 miles from Fishersville. There are no Flour Mills within 5 or 6 miles of it, and it may with justice be considered one of the very best stands in the Valley of Virginia. The mill house is 40 feet square and 4 stories high. It has recently undergone a thorough repair with almost entire new machinery. At present there is one run of burrs, but there is ample water power the entire year to run two pairs, as the creek a few miles above, receives the water of two large mill streams, and the arrangement of the machinery is such that another pair of burrs can be introduced, if required, at a small expense.—The choppers are driven by a "Rich's Centrevent cast Iron submerged wheel" and will grind, when in order, 150 bushels chop per day.

The other improvements consist of a Comfortable Miller's House; new dam and head gates with other necessary conveniences. There is 5 acres of ground with the property, but if more is desired it can be purchased in the vicinity at a reasonable rate.

Terms of sale:—One half of the purchase money will be required in cash, and the balance in two equal instalments, falling due respectively, 3 and 4 years from day of sale with interest, or if the purchaser desires to pay all cash, he can do so.

Dec. 2—3ts. JOHN P. HULST.

THREE TRACTS OF LAND AND A VALUABLE MILL FOR SALE.—In obedience to a decree of the Circuit Court of Nelson county, rendered at its recent term, in the suit of John Fox and Wm. Fox, Plaintiffs, against Woodson B. Fox and others, Defendants, we, the undersigned, as Commissioners appointed by said decree, will, on Wednesday, the 31st day of the present month, (December,) proceed to sell, at public auction, on the premises, two tracts of LAND, of which Samuel Fox, died, seized and possessed, lying in the said county of Nelson, about 3 miles South of Afton Depot. The one, the mansion-house tract, containing about 200 acres, of good quality, a considerable portion of which is cleared, and in complete order for farming, having on it a good dwelling house, with convenient out-houses, also one of the best orchards in the county of choice fruit.

The other tract is also valuable, and adjoins or lies very near to the mansion-house tract, containing about ninety acres, of like quality, the greater portion of which is cleared, and in cultivation, having on it a good dwelling house, and convenient out-houses.

Also, by virtue of said decree, we will, on Thursday, the first day of January next, proceed to sell, at public auction, on the premises, a tract of land belonging to the same estate, lying in the county of Albemarle, near Batesville, and containing about 70 or 80 acres of excellent quality, it has on it a valuable Grist Mill, and two dwelling houses.

All the said property will be sold on a credit of 6, 12, and 18 months, the purchaser or purchasers executing bonds with approved security, and the title withheld as ultimate security.

JOHN B. SPIECE and
WM. WILLIAMS,
Dec 2—tds Commissioners.

NOTICE!

In pursuance of a decree rendered by the Circuit Court for Augusta county, in a cause therein depending between the personal representative of Patrick O'Donnel, dec'd, and his widow and heirs, on the 5th day of November, 1862, I will proceed to sell, on the 1st day of January next, in front of the Court house, in the town of Staunton, the lot in the bill in said cause mentioned, containing between 1 and 2 acres, situate 5 miles West of Staunton, near Hebron Church,—on a credit of 6, 12 and 18 months, except one-fourth to be paid down, the purchaser giving bond with good personal security, for the deferred payments, and the title retained as ultimate security.—There is an excellent fence, nearly altogether of plank, around the lot; a garden enclosed tastefully with palings within it: and upon it a blacksmith shop, with two fire places; a dwelling house two and a half stories high; kitchen; dairy; meat house; corncrib; and stable; all in good order, and the stand considered one of the best in the county for a blacksmith.

Capt. David Sterrett, or Wm. A. Brown, Esq., living near the property, will show it to any who may wish to examine it, until the day of sale.

Dec. 2—tds. WILLIAM MATIER,
Commissioner.

PUBLIC SALE OF THE REAL ESTATE OF WM. B. YANCEY, DEC'D.—The undersigned, surviving Commissioner appointed by the decree of the Circuit Court of Rockingham county, in a cause therein pending in the name of Geo. O. Conrad, Guardian, &c., vs. Conrad, &c., I will proceed, on the premises, on THURSDAY, the 15th day of January, 1863, to offer, at public auction, that large and valuable tract of land, situated on the Shenandoah River, in the county of Rockingham, and known as the home farm of the late Wm. B. Yancey, deceased. This land is not surpassed by any in the county of Rockingham. It is well improved and in fine order. The improvements are of the first order, consisting of a dwelling house, with convenient out-houses. There is a Mill and Saw Mill, supplied by a fine water power, on the premises. There will be offered about 850 acres; it will be divided into tracts to suit purchasers.

TERMS OF SALE—One-fourth of the purchase money money in 60 days; one-fourth in 12 months; one-fourth in 2 years; and one-fourth in 4 years from the day of sale; the payments to bear interest from the day of sale. The purchaser will be required to execute bond with good personal security, and a lien retained as ultimate security.

WM. B. YANCEY,
Dec 9—tds Surviving Commissioner.

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.
ROBERT G. BICKLE.

POSTPONEMENT.

The above sale will be postponed until Wednesday the 10th of December, at which time it will be sold in twolots.

Dec. 2—tds.

PUBLIC SALE.

Having disposed of my farm, I will sell at public sale, on Friday, the 19th inst., on the premises, two miles east of Staunton, my Farming Implements, Stock of Horses, Cattle, Hogs, &c., viz: A team of desirable Horses, three or four choice colts, Milch Cows, a lot of nice young Cattle, stock of Hogs and shoats (improved breed), Wagons and Harness, Cart and Harness, Wheat Drill, Buckeye Mower and Reaper in first rate order, Corn Sheller, Wheat Fan, Plows, Harrows, Scythes, &c.; a set of Blacksmith's tools and various articles necessary to conduct a farm.—Terms made known at sale. F. M. YOUNG.

Dec. 2—3ts.

SALE OF CENTRAL BANK STOCK.—As Administrator of James Hannan, deceased, I will sell, at public auction, at the Court-House in the town of Staunton, on Monday, the 22d day of December, 1862, at 11 o'clock, 25 or 30 shares of the stock of the Central Bank of Virginia.

Nov. 18—tds. MICHAEL McALEER, Adm'r.

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. Alby

ESTRAY NOTICES.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

Taken up, by Hugh W. Sheffey, on his land in said county, near Staunton, on the — day of August, 1862, an estray of the following description, to wit:

A HEIFER of redish color, white on back, and left horn partly broken off, no brand or flesh mark except in right ear, which has a crop, slit and underkeel, supposed to be about 2 or 3 years old, and appraised at $55.

[Extract—teste.]

Dec 9—3t. WM. T. JEWELL, D. C.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

AN ESTRAY STEER.—Taken up, by Wm. H. Gamble, on his land, in the neighborhood of Spring Hill, the 12th day of September, 1862, of the following description, viz:

A Steer of black color, some white under the belly and on bush of tail, marked with a crop off right ear, supposed to be 3 years old last Spring, and appraised at $60. [Extract—Teste.]

Dec 2—3t WM. A. BURNETT, D. C.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

AN ESTRAY HEIFER.—Taken up, by Samuel B Finley, on his land in the neighborhood of New Hope, the 1st day of September, 1862, of the following description, viz: A HEIFER of a blue or black roan color, of ordinary height, no ear marks, supposed to be 2 years old, and appraised at $27.50

[Extract—Teste.]

Dec. 2—3t WM. A. BURNETT, D. C.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

AN ESTRAY STEER.—Taken up, by Samuel Fauber, on his land, in said county, six miles above Waynesboro', near the Greenville road, of the following description, to wit: A STEER of pale red color, white crop off each ear, and hole in the right, supposed to be three years old, and appraised at $36.

Dec. 2—3t WM. A. BURNETT, D C.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

TWO ESTRAY CATTLE.—Taken up, by George Rimel, on his land, in said county, of the following description, viz:

1st. A Steer of red color, with a crop off the right ear, about 2 years old, and appraised at $30.

2d. A Steer of black color, with a white stripe across the rump, and a star in the forehead, a crop off both ears and upperkeel off right ear, about two years old, and appraised at $22.

[Extract—Teste.]

Dec. 2—3t WM. A. BURNETT, D. C.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

ESTRAY HORSE.—Taken up, by Major D. Vines, on his land, the 24th day of November, 1862, in the county of Augusta, of the following description, viz:

A Horse of black color, white spot on the right side under the saddle, about 15 hands high, supposed to be about 15 years old, no brand, a few white hairs on the forehead, and appraised at $40.

[Extract—Teste.]

Dec. 2—3t* WM. A. BURNETT, D. C.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

TWO ESTRAY HORSES.—Taken up, by Elizabeth Kennedy, on her land, the 20th day of October 1862, in the county of Augusta, of the following description, viz: 1st. A MARE of black color, both hind feet white, about 15 hands high, supposed to be 9 years old, and appraised at $105. 2d. A HORSE of grey color, about 16 hands high, supposed to be about 12 years old, and appraised at $100.

[Extract—Teste.]

Dec 2—3t WM. A. BURNETT, D. C.

AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE to wit:

AN ESTRAY HEIFER.—Taken up, by Ephraim Hulvey, on his land, the 17th day of September, 1862, in the county of Augusta, of the following description, viz: A Heiferof red & white color, with a crop off the left and slit in the right ear, supposed to be two years old, and appraised at $25.

[Extract—Teste.]

Dec. 2—3t. WM. A. BURNETT, D. C

NEW AUCTION & COMMISSION HOUSE

No. 102, Main Street, Lynchburg, Va.

The undersigned have associated themselves together under the firm of JAMES P. SCOTT & CO., for the purpose of conducting a general AUCTION and COMMISSION BUSINESS. They have rented that large and elegant building, No. 102, Main Street, Lynchburg, lately occupied by John T. Davis & Co.; and are now ready to receive MERCHANDISE of all kinds for private and auction sales.

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