

STAUNTON SPECTATOR.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1865.

Capt. Jos. M. STEVENS is authorized to make contracts and receipt for advertisements for the "Staunton Spectator."

Spain and Chili.

The pending war between Spain and Chili grows out of the refusal of the latter to furnish supplies to Spanish war vessels, which were furnished to those of Peru during the late hostilities between these two countries.

The Friends of the Union.

Strange as it may seem, as we stated some time since, the people of the South, who fought so long and so bravely against the Union, are better friends of the Union now than the people of the North who sacrificed the lives of so many thousands in its defence.

Mr. Davis should be Pardoned.

Sound policy, as well as humanity, demands the speedy pardon of Mr. Davis. Mr. Davis, before the war, and we have no doubt is now, a better "Union man," in the true sense of that term, than those whose thirsting for his blood and clamoring for his execution.

Sons of Temperance.

This noble Order, whose great weapon is moral suasion, is preparing to enter the field against intemperance. Several of the local divisions in Richmond city have recently reorganized, and, if they steer clear of political breakers, we may expect to see very soon a revival of that temperance revolution which swept like a whirlwind over the South in 1851, and numbered its recruits by thousands.

Debt of the Southern States.

A statement of the Southern States' (legal) debts prior to the war places them at one hundred and fifty millions. The most of these bonds are held in Europe, and the prospect of payment, even of the interest, is small indeed.

Neutrality in Mexican Affairs.

It is stated that the Government, in order to preserve the neutrality of the United States with respect to those engaged in the existing war in Mexico, will suffer no armed parties to pass our frontier, or permit any arms or munitions of war to be sent to either belligerent.

General Amnesty.

Advices by the steamer Belgian announce that the Bey of Tunis has granted a general amnesty to all persons implicated in the late revolution in that country. It is a pity that the N. Y. News, that our Government, by its dilatoriness in this matter, should be obliged to take a lesson in clemency from the Algerines.

Considerable excitement prevails in Canada in consequence of supposed threatened raids by the Fenians.

Two battalions had received orders to hold themselves in readiness for instant duty, and the guards at the volunteer armories had been doubled by reason of information received of the designs and projects of the order against the Provences.

Major-General Howard addressed a large assemblage of freedmen at Jackson, Mississippi, on Saturday week.

He assured them that the plantations of their late masters would not be divided among them, and that the freedom conferred upon them by the Government was the privilege to work for their living and support as other people did.

Signs of War.

The Richmond Whig says that the appointment of a full Minister (General Logan) to the vagrant and almost invisible "Republic of Mexico"—certain military and naval orders that are said to be in process of execution, and, more significant still, the emphatic public endorsement by General Grant, last Wednesday, in New York, of the remark that "fouler wrongs never outraged human rights than the present occupation of Mexico by the French," make it certain that the administration has determined to assume a positive attitude upon the subject of the Monroe doctrine.

Fate of Mr. Davis.

The New York News, in speaking of the desire, on the part of a portion of the people of the North, for the execution of Mr. Davis, says: "Let the Republic be spared the degradation, the horror, the remorse of such a crime. In the same balance with the fate of Mr. Davis hangs, perhaps, the destiny of our country. If he should be hung, we say it in the most earnest spirit of deprecation, if he should be hung, there can never, never, never be good feeling between the North and South. There may be submission to a power that cannot be resisted, but not peace such as should dwell in a republic to make its republicanism real. The Southern people, of this and of all generations to come, could not and would not forgive the Government that dragged their fallen chief to the gibbet. If we would have concord, if we would have tranquility, if we would have Republicanism and fraternal Union, let never the hand of an executioner be laid upon Jefferson Davis."

The Jamaica Rebellion Crushed.

Jamaica advices to the 6th state that the rebellion is crushed, and that several of the insurgents have been condemned to death, including Gordon, the leader. Two Spanish war steamers had arrived and been placed at the disposal of the authorities. Amnesty has been offered to all the rebels who return to their allegiance, provided they have not been engaged in murder or arson.

The Fenian Excitement.

On Tuesday last, about two hundred Canadian troops were sent to the line to keep out Fenians, and about the same number of United States troops went there to keep the Fenians from going. Nobody knows where or who the Fenian invaders are.

From Mexico.

The latest intelligence is that General Ortega (about the last hope of the Liberals) had been captured, with four hundred men, by the French. The Liberals, however, are still "besieging" Matamoros in a playful sort of way.

THE TEST OATH.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM THE HON. A. H. H. STUART. The Buffalo Courier publishes the following private letter of the Hon. A. H. H. Stuart, of Virginia:

It seems to me that we are on the eve of a general break-up and re-organization of parties. We must adopt a new name, and that name should be expressive of the mission of the new organization. The object will be to establish the ascendancy of sound constitutional principles, and I can think of no more appropriate name than the "Constitutional Party." With such a party, and such a name, I think we must defeat the Radicals in any future contest. Mr. Johnson's policy will give us a firm ground to stand upon in the out-set, and the restoration of the authority of the Constitution, in its original simplicity, will form a permanent basis of Union in the future.

I can hardly think the Republicans will venture to adhere to the test oath, in view of the fact of its flagrant unconstitutionality. If they do, they will place a weapon in the hands of their adversaries which can be used greatly to their disadvantage.

I mean to present myself and demand my seat, as one legally elected and returned, and possessing all the constitutional requirements of eligibility. If admitted, I will give a cordial support to Mr. Johnson's policy of reconstruction, and use every effort to restore tranquility and good feeling to the Union. If excluded, I will return home, and calmly await the development of events. I certainly will not make way for a more pliant representative.

So far as Virginia is concerned, every vestige of opposition to the Federal authority has vanished. The people were never, at heart, in favor of secession, and they accept cheerfully the results of the war. In regard to the principal leaders of the attempted revolution, the only fear is that they will run into the other extreme of active subservency. Having never lost my balance by going for secession, I do not wish to lose it now by going for consolidation. Moderate men must now preserve the equilibrium of our institutions by holding to the Constitution with a steady hand. Very respectfully your friend, ALEX. H. H. STUART.

For the Spectator.

Mr. Editor.—When I saw you a few days since, I thought it would be unnecessary to pay any attention to the individual who signed himself "Ottobine." I now think that as Mr. McCue is the author of the communication signed "Ottobine" it is best to say a few things. In the first place, if nothing is said, many would be left under the impression that "Ottobine" is a member of the United Brethren Church from the fact that Otterbin was one of the Fathers in the Church. Otterbin was distinguished for his profound learning, deep piety, earnest zeal, and great success, as a minister of Christ, and at the same time remarkable for his Catholic spirit, a spirit that would lead him to exclaim, "Mercy, grace, and peace be multiplied to all that know our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity." Whether the Major possesses the above characteristics to a sufficient degree to assume the name of Ottobine, and to direct the United Brethren Church what to say and what to do, I will leave the public to judge, who know the Major better than I do. I do not, Mr. Editor, complain that the resolutions of the General Conference were published, but at the same time we feel that it is our privilege to correct those who willfully or ignorantly put a construction on the resolutions not contemplated by those who voted for them, as justified by the language employed. In a communication published in the "Spectator," taken from the Religious Telescope, I have said what we meant by equality before the law, and it is not necessary for me to repeat what I then said. The Major thinks that the question of equality before the law and the right of suffrage "one of the most important questions agitating the public mind." If, surely I have as much right to give an honest expression of my opinion on the subject as any other man or set of men. As an American citizen, my rights are guaranteed to me, and this right I will exercise when, in my judgment, it is necessary. When I say that the black man should stand on an equality with the white man before the law, I mean no more than what was expressed by Judge Watson, in the Va. Synod of 1854. The Church, which convened in Lynchburg a few weeks since. Showing the importance of educating the Freedmen, the Judge used the following language: (I quote from the Central Presbyterian of the 19th of Oct.) "This is not all. The negro will exercise important civil rights. He will be admitted to the suffrage; but they will be witnesses in our civil Courts, and you can't prevent it, if you would. The prevailing policy now elsewhere is to throw open the door for testimony as wide as possible, and then let it be weighed for what it is worth. Recent legislation in Virginia allows a man sued to testify in his own behalf. Negroes will sue and be sued; and, if so, the Legislature will be under the absolute necessity of admitting their testimony. This time is not far off." This is the language of an intelligent Christian gentleman on the floor of the Synod, and yet I do not hear a murmur of complaint. I suppose as Major McCue is a very close observer of passing events that he has not failed to notice the advice of ex-Postmaster General of the late Confederacy, J. H. Reagan, to the effect that the address in Virginia is worthy of the consideration, not only of the people of Texas, but of the Southern people generally. I will only give, for the benefit of the Major, and some others, who complain so justly about the "test oath," a few quotations. Mr. Reagan recommends, "First. Extending the privileges and protection of the laws over the negroes as they are over the whites, and allowing them to testify in the Courts on the same terms as the whites. Leaving their testimony subject to the rules relating to its credibility; but not objecting to its admissibility. And in this you will conform with the very current of modern legislation, and the tendency of all judicial decisions in all enlightened countries. And, secondly, fixing an intellectual and moral, and, if thought necessary, a property test for the admission of all persons to the elective franchise, without reference to race or color, which would secure the intelligent exercise of it. Surely, Major, after hearing the address of our own Statesman, Secretary of Cabinet, you ought not to take it so hard that I should give my vote in favor of placing all men on equality before the law.

Usury Laws.

The Richmond Times, in an article advocating the repeal of the usury laws of Virginia, says: "We must offer every facility for the flow of capital into the State—to induce our own capitalists to invest at home and not go abroad—we must repeal the usury laws of Virginia—and to this object we call the attention of our Legislature. If they choose, let them put the limit at eight or ten per cent, and allow parties to contract for as much as twelve. This will stop the evil—will bring money here, for we have the security—and money we most need and must have."

New Advertisements.

GREAT REDUCTION OF PRICES. The undersigned having determined to place it within the reach of the poor as well as the rich to give their feet dry and warm, has REDUCED his PROFITS—upon the principle that LARGE SALES and SMALL PROFITS will prove more advantageous to the public, and equally so to himself, now offers his stock, consisting of Gents CALF BOOTS, and Boys CALF CONGRESS GAITERS, Balmorals, Heavy Coarse Boots, Men's, Boys' and Youths', BROGANS, Men's and Boys', ALSO AN ENDLESS VARIETY OF Ladies', Misses' and Infants' SHOES.

CHOLERA!!!

New York is now in terror of the approach of the great Asiatic plague—CHOLERA. It is predicted it will move Southward, ere long, and due precaution should be taken to prevent its spreading. THE MEDICAL BOARD OF RICHMOND have recommended VIRGINIA CREOLE BITTERS as one of the surest preventives NOW KNOWN, because of the special ingredients used in their manufacture. Every family should keep these Bitters on hand, and prepare for any emergency. THE PROFESSION OF RICHMOND ENDORSE THEM. Sold by all Druggists throughout the Southern and Western States. D. S. HUFFARD, Manufacturer, Governor St., Richmond.

TO THE CITIZENS OF AUGUSTA, HIGHLAND AND PENNINGTON COUNTIES, GEORGIA.

ISAAC PAUL & CO., having taken the Large Store formerly occupied by Antania, as a confectionary, on Main street, between Augusta and New streets, where we intend keeping a large and well selected stock of DRY GOODS, QUEENSWARE, HARDWARE, GROCERIES, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CAPS, and everything usually kept in a first class Retail Store. Terms Cash, or Country Produce of all kinds taken in exchange for goods, at the highest market price. Hoping, by strict attention to business, honorable and fair dealing, to receive a share of your patronage. Very Respectfully, ISAAC PAUL & CO. Staunton, Nov. 21-1y

INSPECTION OF TOBACCO, SNUFF, AND CIGARS.

The undersigned, having been appointed Inspector of Tobacco, Snuff, and Cigars, for the 2d Collection District, calls the attention of the public to Section 1st of the Act of June 30th, 1864, as amended by the Act of March 3d, 1865, which provides that all manufactured tobacco, snuff, or cigars, whether of domestic manufacture or imported, shall, before the same is used or removed for consumption, be inspected and weighed by an Inspector, who shall mark or affix a stamp upon the box or other package containing such tobacco, snuff, or cigars, in a manner to be prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, denoting the kind or form of tobacco and the weight of such package, with the date of inspection and the name of the Inspector. D. D. DERROW, Inspector for 2d Collection District. Nov. 21-1y

W. T. EARLY, President. J. WOOD, Jr., Secretary. A. LEMARLE INSURANCE COMPANY, CHARLOTTEVILLE, VA.

H. W. SHEPPEY, Agent at Staunton. This Company have, for many years past, maintained the highest reputation for punctuality and fair dealing, and having recently largely increased its capital, we are enabled to give a more liberal and satisfactory policy to our insureds, by fire, with assets, after deducting all liabilities, exceeding \$300,000. The managers of this Company pledge themselves to conduct its affairs upon the same liberal and correct principles as heretofore, and ask a fair share of public patronage. Nov. 21-3t

IN STORE AND FOR SALE—By K. K. STEVENSON & CO.

8000 lbs Bacon Sides, 500 pounds of Ham, 100 lbs Sugar, 20 kegs Nails. Also, Coffee, Soap, Brooms, Tubs, &c. N. B.—1 barrel superior Whisky, a celebrated article. Nov. 21-1t

J. W. S. TAYLOR, Dealer in

GENUINE COUNTRY PRODUCE, Main street, opposite Post Office, STAUNTON, VA. Keeps constantly on hand a fine assortment of FARMING IMPLEMENTS, which he will sell cheap for CASH, or give in exchange for all kinds of PRODUCE. He respectfully invites the public to give him a call. Nov. 21-1t

A. D. CHANDLER, UNDERTAKER,

Keeps constantly on hand, COFFINS of wood, and METALLIC CASES of the latest improvement. Orders from town or country promptly attended to. Nov. 21-1t

CLOAKS! CLOAKS! CLOAKS!!!

A new supply just received. Price from \$12 to \$40—Also, Hats, Bonnets, Flowers, Feathers, back and front hair brushes and Combs. K. M. KELLEY, N. B.—Ladies can have their hair DRESSED in the most fashionable styles at shortest notice. Nov. 21-2t K. M. K.

BOOTS, BOOTS, BOOTS!!!

Just received 4 dozen FRENCH CALF SKIN BOOTS, made to order to suit this market. Also a large lot of HATS, all styles, cheap for cash. Call and see them. ROANE & ALBY, Brown Front, opposite Va. Hotel. Nov. 21-3t

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Virginia Central Railroad Company will be held in the City of Richmond, on Thursday, the 23d of Nov., at 12 o'clock M. at the Metropolitan Hall, on Franklin, between 13th and 14th streets. J. G. KERRITT, Nov. 21-1t Treasurer and Secretary.

FOR SALE.—Two Hay Presses, one worked by hand and the other by horse power, near Farmville, Va., on accommodating terms. Also, one Fresh Milk Cow and Calf, by ABSALOM KOINER, Nov. 21-3t\*

I have for sale a very nice Sliding Seat Buggy and Harness. Also, a Set of good horse harnesses. DAVIS A. KAYSER, Staunton, Nov. 21-2t

LAW NOTICE.—During my absence, in the Senate, Col. Christian will occupy my Law Office.—I expect to attend our Courts during the term. Nov. 21-3t NICH. K. TROUT.

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to me will please settle at once. The cash is needed. STAUNTON, Nov. 21 3t J. W. HILBERT.

Auction Sales.

EXECUTOR'S SALE.—The subscriber, as Executor of Wm. H. Jackson, dec'd., will sell at public sale, on Saturday, the 25th of November, all the personal property of the deceased, consisting, in part, of the following: One fine young work Horse, one milch Cow, one large 3 year old Steer, one yearling Heifer, some Hogs, one two horse Wagon, one Wheat Fan, one horse Rye and Corn Plough, Harrows, and other Farming Implements. JOHN T. SMITH, Executor of Wm. H. Jackson, dec'd.

HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN FURNITURE.

TERMS.—For all sums of \$5 or less CASH, and for all sums over \$5 six months' credit, the purchaser giving negotiable notes well endorsed. JOHN T. SMITH, Executor of Wm. H. Jackson, dec'd.

E. M. CUSHING, Auctioneer.

WE will offer at public sale, on FRIDAY, the 1st day of December next, at the "Willow Spout," the personal property of the late J. C. Overhill, dec'd., consisting in part, of the following: 1 head of Hogs, 5 Cows, 5 head of stock Cattle, one McCormick Reaping Machine, one Drill, Four Wagons, 1 Carriage, a lot of Harness, Farming Utensils, &c.

Variety of other Articles.

All persons having claims against the deceased are urged to report them on or before the day of sale; and as the estate may not be sufficient to discharge the liabilities, unless the creditors and others interested be present and bid, they are invited to come to the sale and make the property bring, at least, its value. Terms made known at sale. MARY JANE McCUE, Adm'rix, and SAM'L H. McCUE, Adm'r of J. C. Overhill, dec'd. Nov. 7-1da v copy

LARGE AND ATTRACTIVE SALE OF FURNITURE.

At the request of J. C. Overhill, Principal of the Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, I will sell, at the Institution, in Staunton, on Thursday, Nov. 23rd, 1865, 17 Wardrobes, 12 Bureaus, 25 Bedsteads, 10 Washstands, 5 Tables, 14 Parlor and 3 Cooking stoves, 1 set of Queensware, Glassware, Knives and Forks, Spoons, Tin Ware, Churns, and other articles, including the following: This Furniture is in good order, and will be sold without reserve. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock. E. M. CUSHING, Auctioneer. Nov. 14-1da

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ACTION SALE.—I will sell, at public Auction, on the 29th Nov. (next), at the residence of C. O. Hoover, in Staunton, A LOT OF FINE FURNITURE, the property of Mrs. D. P. Hoop, late of Va. The lot embraces a handsome, fashionable set of Parlor and Chamber FURNITURE, but little used, and quite as good as new. Also, one set of Glass, Dining Room and Kitchen Furniture in good condition. TERMS.—On all sums over \$10, a credit of 30 days will be given; purchasers agreeing to pay the balance of the cash on or before the 10th of Dec. All notes satisfactorily endorsed. On all sums of \$10, and under the cash will be required. Nov. 14-1da E. M. CUSHING, Auc't.

PUBLIC SALE.—I will sell, on TUESDAY, the 28th of November, 1865, on the premises, 150 acres West of Staunton, on the Parkersburg road, 87 ACRES OF LAND, 25 acres of original timber land, and the balance cleared and in pasture. It adjoins the land of H. Eason, J. C. Riley, and others. Any one wishing to see the land can do so by calling on J. C. Riley, who lives near the farm. TERMS.—One third in hand, and the balance in 12 and 24 months. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock A. M. Nov. 14-1da E. M. CUSHING, Auc't.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF A VERY VALUABLE FARM.

In obedience to a decree of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, rendered in the case of Craun's guard, against Jacob L. Kerah's heirs, on the 10th of November, 1865, I shall, on Tuesday, the 13th of December, at 10 o'clock, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, that valuable and desirable farm belonging to the heirs of Susan Kerah, deceased, on which she died testate, in the County of Augusta, Va., containing about 100 acres, and situated about 10 miles South of Harrisonburg, 16 miles North of Staunton, 3 miles distant from the C. & O. Railroad, and 1/2 mile from the C. & O. Railroad, in a very pleasant and quiet neighborhood. It produces all cereals and grass as well as any other farm in the whole State of Virginia; has plenty of most excellent fruit every year; and many desirable buildings to carry on successful farming are on it and in good repair; a good spring is near the house, and there is water in almost all places. It is in reality one of the most desirable farms ever offered for sale. Terms of Sale.—One third in hand and the balance in three equal annual instalments, payable in specie or its equivalent; the purchaser giving bond and security, and the title retained until purchase money be paid. Nov. 14-4t Commissioner, Rock Reg. copy and send bill to this office.

PUBLIC SALE.—Will be sold, to the highest bidder, on Thursday, Nov. 23d, 1865, at the residence of Wm. H. McCue, in the County of Augusta, Va., the Farming Implements, consisting of Horses, Milk Cows, Cattle, sheep, Hogs, Wagons, Plows, Harrows, &c. Also a quantity of Hay, Corn, Oats, Rye, some fine Straw, and a quantity of other articles. Terms accommodating, and made known on day of sale. S. G. M'CLUNG, Auctioneer. Nov. 14-2t Adm'rix of Wm. H. McCue, dec'd

Strayed or Stolen.

\$150 REWARD.—Stolen from our stable on the night of the 8th inst., near Middleburg, Augusta county, Va., THREE HORSES: 1st, A red bay, 6 years old, 16 hands high, old, heavy made, w. rks well, trots freely, tender mouth, and was branded B and K, on the left shoulder, now dim. A light bay, 6 years old, 16 hands high, white spot on left hip, three and a half w. rks w. it. c. 2d, A dark bay, 4 years old, 16 hands high, with a red hind substance on his right shoulder, in the collar, small star and streak, and a bunch out square from the hair of his tail. We would give five dollars for the recovery of our horses and double that sum for horses and their owners. We have reason to believe they are taken toward the Kanawha Valley and may pass through the county of Highland and Pocahontas. Any one who has seen about 5 miles below Deerfield, on the 9th inst. Nov. 21-3t D. KUNKLE, JACOB AREHART.

STOLEN.—From the subscriber, near Afta Depot, Nelson county, on the night of the 17th of the present month, TWO HORSES. One a large Iron Grey, 6 or 7 years old, had a white spot in the forehead, short mane and tail, right shoulder, in the collar, small star and streak, and a bunch out square from the hair of his tail. The other, a Sorrel Horse, medium size, about 20 years old, had a white spot in the forehead, mane and tail, upper knee in right ear, small fork in left ear, and a bunch out square from the hair of his tail. I will pay a liberal reward to any one that will give an information that will lead to their recovery. My address is Staunton, Augusta county, Va. Nov. 14, 1865-3t W. W. MAYS, Afton Depot, Nelson county, Va.

STOLEN.—On Monday, the 6th inst., from near the Marked House, in Staunton, where she was hatched, a BLACK MARE, abt 15 hands high, five years old next spring, no white nor other marks on her face. Her legs are short and carriage low. She is a good looking, fine animal, and will pay a liberal reward to any one that will take her and return her to me, or give information so that I can recover her. My address is Staunton, Augusta county, Va. Nov. 14, 1865-3t SUSAN LONG, B. L.

ESTRAYS.—Taken up by Geo. A. Anderson, on Nov. 1st, 1865, six head of cattle, of the following description: 1 yearling, more white than red, crop of right ear, and appraised at \$20; 1 heifer, same color, with red in right ear, appraised at \$14; one heifer, with bell on red neck, speckled body and appraised at \$15; one milch steer, 3 years old, white body and tail, upper knee in right ear, small fork in left ear, appraised at \$14; one dark red heifer, 8 years old, upper knee in right ear, appraised at \$14; one white steer, 2 years old, upper knee in right ear, appraised at \$8. Appraised by John Burgess, dec'd. Alex. Anderson, and R. P. Smith. Nov. 14-3t

\$100 REWARD.—STOLEN from my pasture near Bridgewater, Va., on the night of the 31st of Oct., a fine CREAM COLORED HORSE, 15 1/2 hands high, small head, arched neck when reined up, bushy glass eyes, slim and neat limbs, paces and trots well. A reward of \$50 will be paid for the recovery of the horse, and an additional \$50 for the detection and arrest of the thief. The horse was ridden to the services by Maj. Dabney Ball, formerly on Gen. I. Job. Stuart's staff, and is known by many of the soldiers of Lee's army. Address: B. BROWN, Nov. 7-1t B. L. Bridgewater, Va. Charlottesville Chronicle and Lynchburg Republican copy 3t