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Celebration of the Anniversary of the Death of Stonewall Jackson.

Thursday last, May the 10th, the third anniversary of the death of Stonewall Jackson, was celebrated in Staunton in such a manner as to reflect great credit upon its citizens and those living in its vicinity. The ceremonies consisted of prayer, addresses, music (vocal and instrumental), floral procession, and the decking of the graves of the soldiers with beautiful wreaths and boquets of flowers. Though there was but a few days' notice given, the celebration was a grand and splendid success. The number of persons present, the number of wreaths and bouquets prepared, the success of the demonstration in all of its features, were subjects of grateful astonishment to all who were present.

As soon as it was determined upon to celebrate here that sad anniversary by strewing floral votive offerings upon the graves of the brave and beloved soldiers who had sacrificed their lives in defence of the South, the ladies of Staunton and vicinity rallied their forces and made a successful foray upon the domains of Flora, and despoiling them of their fragrant and beautiful productions, wrought them into handsome garlands, beautiful wreaths, and lovely bouquets to be gently and lovingly placed upon the graves of the soldiers now peacefully sleeping in Thornrose Cemetery.

At 10 o'clock, the procession was formed at the Lutheran Church, under the command of Col. Charles T. O'Ferrall, Chief Marshal, and Capt. Jed. Hotchkiss and Lt. John L. Opie, Assistants.

The procession was formed in the following order:

1st. The Stonewall Band.
2d. " Clergy and Press.
3d. " Speakers and Singers.
4th. " Soldiers of the Stonewall Brigade.
5th. " Soldiers generally of the late C. S. Army.
6th. " Ladies with flowers.
7th. " Sabbath Schools with flowers.
8th. " Schools " "
9th. " Pupils of the D. D. & B. Institute.
10th. " Citizens generally.

In this order, with music by the Stonewall Band, the procession marched down Beverly to Augusta street, then up Augusta to Frederick, then up Frederick to Lewis, then down Lewis to the E. M. Church.

In the Church, after an appropriate prayer by Rev. E. L. Busey, and the singing of

"Hark to the solemn bell,"

the exercises consisted of Addresses and vocal music alternately, as follows:

Address by Col. James H. Skinner.
Music—"Vacant Chair."
Address by Capt. James Bumgardner.
Music—"Officers' Funeral."
Address by Howe Y. Peyton, Esq.
Music—"Jackson's Grave."
Address by Capt. Powell Harrison.
Music—"Cast thy burden on the Lord."
Address by Col. Bolivar Christian.

Though the speakers had but little time to prepare, their addresses were appropriate to the occasion and such as to reflect great credit upon them. It is no small credit to be able to deliver an address worthy of such an interesting, imposing and impressive occasion. It is a *magnum opus* which could be successfully performed by few.

The singers performed their part of the ceremonies in admirable style, and such was the melting pathos of their voices that, at times, there were but few tearless eyes in the vast audience which filled to repletion the large church, and which listened, entranced, to the plaintive notes which touched the tender sensibilities of their hearts, and awoke in their bosoms mingled emotions of pleasure and grief.

At the conclusion of the excellent address of Col. Bolivar Christian, the procession was again formed, in the same order as before, and marched, with music by the Stonewall Band, to Thornrose Cemetery. The procession was near a mile in length, and it is supposed that it numbered about 2,500 persons. On arriving at that portion of the Cemetery which contains the graves of the soldiers, the ladies and children with flowers were divided into sections in proper numbers to enable them to deck with flowers almost simultaneously the 2,000 graves of the soldiers buried there.

This disposition of the ladies and children with flowers being effected, the gentlemen stood with uncovered heads, the Band played a solemn dirge, whilst the ladies and children with flowers placed wreaths and bouquets upon each grave. It was a noble spectacle. It was a scene which angels, leaning over the battlements of heaven, might look upon approvingly. The sainted spirits of those whose earthly tabernacles have crumbled into dust in that Cemetery may have witnessed this noble and heart-felt tribute of affection to their cherished memories.

After this ceremony, the procession returned to Staunton and was dismissed.

We suppose that this is but the inauguration of the celebration of the 10th of May, and that, in future, that day will be held sacred to the memory of Stonewall Jackson—the hero, patriot and christian—and the soldiers who fell in defence of the South.

The memory of the fallen brave should be cherished, and we should never cease to give them memorial tributes of our hearts' best affections. The fame of Jackson is secure. It will live whilst time lasts. He was a hero and a christian, and his saint-like character as a christian excelled his brilliant character as a hero, as much as the christian's crown excels the hero's laurel wreath. The sublimity of his christian character will be more and more appreciated as time rolls on.

May all appreciate and endeavor to emulate his christian virtues, and may those who have celebrated the third anniversary of the day on which his spirit "crossed over the river to rest under the shade of the trees," live to celebrate many returns of that anniversary.

It is stated in Washington that negotiations are on foot for the purchase by leading American capitalists of nearly the entire of Lower California, from the Mexican Republic, for the purpose of developing the rich mineral resources of that country. Over a million of dollars have been advanced to the Mexican Minister in aid of the project.

Slanderous Secret Petition and Signers Thereto.

"Murder will out." Dark deeds will be brought to light, and secret machinations, however studiously concealed, will be sure, in time, to be revealed. The secret petition which was circulated for signatures in this county some months since, praying for the return of Federal soldiers, and falsely charging that "loyal" men were not safe here, and that they could not get justice before the civil courts, has, by a better class of loyal men, been brought to light. It is not every man who considers himself a "loyal" man, even in its present perverted sense, who thinks it his duty to slander and calumniate the citizens of the community generally. We took occasion, as soon as we learned that such a petition was in existence, to put the "Union men" of the county upon their guard, and cautioned them against suffering themselves to be inveigled into signing it, and advised such as had signed it under erroneous impressions, from false representations of the state of feeling here, to make known the fact and relieve themselves of the odium which would necessarily attach to those who would thus knowingly and wilfully slander the people of this community. Though none availed themselves of that opportunity to clear their skirts from all taint of wilful slander and calumny against a peaceful, well-disposed and unoffending community, yet we are loth to believe that all who signed that petition were conscious of the gravity of the offence thereby committed. It may be that the names of some were signed without their consent, and some may have signed it under a false representation of its character, as many of them were, doubtless, unable to read it. If there be such, now is the time for them to make it known, or hereafter to hold their peace. Such as signed their names, knowing the character of the petition and the false charge it contained, have pilloried their own characters, and written infamy upon their souls as indelibly as the mark branded by Omnipotence upon the brow of the first murderer.

It will be observed, that on the 26th of March, James Todd made affidavit to the fact that the names were signed in *his* presence, and on the 23rd of April, W. J. Dews made affidavit that they were signed in *his* presence. Why these different affidavits a month apart? Can it be that it was important for James Todd to seem to be the person who secured the signatures that he might improve his chances of success in his application for remuneration for conducting deserters through the lines; and equally so for Dews to seem to be that important personage that he might succeed in his application for the office of Commissioner under the Civil Rights Bill?

At the time Todd made affidavit, the Civil Rights bill had not become a law, and therefore, at that time, Dews could not be an applicant for office under that law. After that law was passed, he became an applicant for the office of Commissioner, and it was after the passage of that law that he made affidavit that the names to the petition were signed in *his* presence.—The unsuspecting signers may see after a while what uses Dews and Todd are making of them. They have been mere clay, very *soft* clay, in the hands of the potters, Dews and Todd. We congratulate them upon having such clean hands to manipulate them.

There are but three names on the list belonging to Staunton, viz: W. J. Dews, J. A. Reynolds and Henry Wehn.

It is supposed that some of the names belong to persons in Rockbridge, Pendleton, and probably other counties.

The petition to which Todd made affidavit and the names attached thereto are as follows:

THE PETITION.

"*Whereas*, Threats are being made from various quarters towards the lives of loyal men, and that, in our judgment, no protection or justice can be had through the civil courts, or at the hands of the civil officers of the law:

Therefore, we, the undersigned, loyal white citizens and voters of Augusta county, State of Virginia, do most earnestly pray that the Congress of the United States give to our case that consideration which we think is due to us, and the permanent peace of the country, and all its loyal subjects,—

Therefore we earnestly pray that troops be immediately forwarded here, and that such measures be adopted as will insure us justice in all matters of claims, and all other matters relating to us, in a military court, or in any other matter deemed advisable by Congress."

JAMES TODD'S AFFIDAVIT.

"*Augusta County, to wit:*

This day, James Todd made oath before me, a Notary Public for the county of Augusta, in the State of Virginia, that the within named persons signed their names to this paper in his presence, and that they are now, and always have been, loyal citizens of the Government of the United States, and that they are citizens of Augusta county, Virginia.

Given under my hand this 26th day of March, 1866. W. A. BURNETT, N. P.

LIST OF NAMES.

James Todd, former guide for refugees.
A. Anderson, farmer.
Th. J. Gilbert, do.
Jno. W. Gilbert, Plasterer.
B. M. Lines, P. M. Waynesboro', Augusta Co. Va.
Jno. W. Rodgers, farmer, and guide.
Jas. F. Davis, merchant.
D. F. Taylor, returned federal *solger.*
John Shank, farmer.
John Brannaman, farmer.
Jas. A. Brannaman, do.
Jacob Myers, do.
Rob. B. Moore, do.
Jno. B. Hamilton, do.
Jerehmiah Moore, do.
Geo. W. Fauber, do.
A. H. Masincup, do.
Geo. O. Griever.
W. J. Dews, Professor of music.
D. D. Durboraw,
Saml. J. Wampler.
Rob. T. Whitlock, farmer and mason.
J. B. Wilson, Carpenter.
A. H. Cleaveland, farmer.
J. A. Reynolds, wheelright.
J. H. Benley, farmer.
Jonas Wampler, do.
David Wagan, bright Coopper.
Saml. B. Weaver, carpenter.
Saml. H. Weaver, do.
Geo. W. Miller, farmer.
John H. Stoutemoyer, farmer.
Jno. K. Keiser, do.
John H. Ruebush, wever.
David H. Reubush, farmer.
Allison Doyle, do.
Tom. Kline Durboraw.
Geo. W. Painter, house painter.
John Glover, farmer and guide for refugees, per W. J. Dews.
Jas. S. Hill, L. Preacher.
B. F. Little, carpenter.
Jno. A. Harris, blacksmith.
John W. Brown, farmer; Saml. Judy, farmer; Henry Judy, farmer; Jno. W. Frazier, farmer; Jas. F. Frazier, farmer; John Judy, farmer; And. J. Graham, farmer; A. B. Rodecap, Tanner. [Supposed to be citizens of Rockbridge, near Goshen.]
And. Davis, farmer.
George W. Baugram, per J. W. Rodgers.
B. F. Calbreath, farmer.
Martin K. Garber, do.
Medley Moore, miller.
Henry Wehn, Baker.
Th. Calbreath, farmer.
Simon P. Stover, do.
Jacob Stover, do.
Wm. Armstrong, do.
Martin Bahorey do.
G. R. Smith, do.
Benj. F. Taliaferro, shoemaker.
Jas. Jordan.
Chs. S. Peters.
Joshua H. Stover.
Wm. J. H. Stover.
J. G. Jordan.
Jos. M. Jordan.
J. W. Sheets.
John D. Sheets.
Saml. Landes.
Isaac W. Airy.
James E. Landes.
Wm. Link, Jr.
James R. Burket.
David T. Burket.
Leander Sheets.
Ephraim Hulvey.
Lewis Hulvey.
Simon P. Stover.
David W. Landes.
Martin Simmons, farmer.
Geo. W. Simmons, do.
John Whiselman, do.
J. C. Elliott, millright.
Jno. Hogshead, farmer.
Geo. Hogshead.
J. Snyder, farmer.
Geo. Elliott, do.
Dedrick Miller, farmer.
Geo. Whiselman, blacksmith.
John Todd, farmer.
Emanuel Smith, do.
Wm. Roberts, do.
Peter Zimmerman. do.
Jno. P. Driver, do.
Jos. Driver, do.
John Driver, do.
Saml. T. Driver, do.
Wm. H. Showalter, Teacher.
Ed. H. Huffman, farmer.
Andy Huffer, do.
Jno. B. Harman, silversmith.
Jacob Teaford.
James M. Wine, Shoemaker.
John Snider, blacksmith.

The following is the petition with the affidavit of Dews, as published in the Lynchburg *Virginian*, from which we clipped it:

STAUNTON, Augusta Co., Va., May 1, 1866.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives now in Congress assembled:

Whereas, The United States troops have recently been withdrawn, not only from this county, but from most of the surrounding counties of this section of the Shenandoah Valley; and in view of the fact that threats are being made from various quarters towards the lives and property of loyal men, and that in our judgment, no protection or justice can be had thro' the civil courts or at the hands of the civil officers of the law,

Therefore, We, the undersigned, loyal white citizens and legal voters of Augusta county, Va., do most earnestly pray that the Congress of the United States give to our case that consideration which we think is due to us, and the permanent peace of the country and all its loyal subjects,

Therefore, We earnestly pray that troops will be immediately forwarded here, and that such measures be adopted as will insure us justice in all matters of claims, and all other matters relating to us in a military court, or in any other manner deemed advisable by Congress.

State of Virginia, County of Augusta. ss:

I, William A. Burnett, a notary public for the county of Augusta, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Wm. J. Dews personally appeared before me, in my county aforesaid, and made oath that the names of the within mentioned persons were subscribed in his presence; that they are citizens of the said county of Augusta, and that affiant verily believes that the persons therein named are good and loyal citizens to the Government of the United States, and were such during the late war.

Given under my hand this 23d of April, 1866.

WILLIAM A. BURNETT, N. P.

The Constitutional Amendment.

The constitutional amendment, (so-called) reported some weeks since by the "reconstruction committee," passed the House of Representatives on Thursday by a vote of 128 to 37, largely over two-thirds. The Senate has yet to act upon it.

The Lynchburg *News* says that "there is one point deserving notice, which has been developed by the debate on the report in question, and that is, the determination by the Radicals to ignore the existence of the eleven Southern States entirely, in the consideration of the question of adopting the constitutional amendments. The arch-fiend Stevens, repeatedly avowed his determination and that of his coadjutors to submit the question to the States *now* in the Union, and to declare the amendment adopted as soon as *nineteen* States shall have ratified it. He stated "that he utterly repudiated and scorned the idea, that any State, not actually in the Union, was to be counted in the question of ratification." The programme, therefore, is evident, viz: to announce the adoption of the proposed amendment as soon as it shall have been ratified by three-fourths of the States now represented, and to make its subsequent ratification by the Southern States an indispensable condition of their restoration to the Union, and the admission into Congress of their representatives."

As some persons are disposed to construe every act of the Southern people into evidences of disloyalty, however pure and virtuous, they may endeavor to make the impression upon the minds of the Northern people that the celebration of the anniversary of the death of Stonewall Jackson, the hero, patriot and christian, by garlanding the graves of the fallen brave with flowers, evinces a spirit inconsistent with their obligations of loyalty to the Government. Such persons illustrate the truth of the couplet:

"All seems infected, which the infected spy,
As all looks yellow to the jaundiced eye."

We do not know how it is at other places, but here the Federal soldiers were buried in the same cemetery with the Confederate soldiers, and, on Thursday last, the ladies placed flowers upon the grave of every Federal soldier buried there.

Covington and Ohio Railroad.

The Richmond *Times* says that a letter received by a gentleman in Richmond from a prominent business man of New York, states that there is little doubt but that the Virginia commissioners now in that city will succeed in disposing of the charter of the Covington and Ohio Railroad Company on the terms and conditions prescribed by the act of the Virginia Legislature. The company which it is believed will obtain the charter have unlimited capital, and will proceed, so soon as the road is in their hands, to construct it. There will be none of the delays usual on roads, the corporators whereof are embarrassed by want of funds, but the work will be pushed right through.

The Changes in the Discipline of the Episcopal Methodist Church.

Not only has the General Conference at New Orleans changed the name of the Church, says the *Dispatch*, but it has made many alterations in its economy or discipline, which we regard as equally wise. We have already noticed the fact that attendance upon class meetings has been rendered a voluntary matter, instead of, as heretofore, a condition of membership. We now learn from the *Picayune* that all restrictions upon the length of time during which a minister may serve one congregation have been removed, and the question of his return been left to his people, whom he will now have an additional motive for serving with fidelity and zeal. Another most radical but excellent change has been made: The probation system has been abolished, and members are to be received into full fellowship at once, while what are called "seekers" are to be assigned to classes until they give evidence of their qualification for membership in the Church itself. In regard to the finances, also, the hand of reform has not been idle. The old chapter in the Discipline upon this subject has been stricken out, and the different congregations and district stewards left to provide means for paying the preachers. The Bishops' salaries are left in the hands of the episcopal stewards. The secretaries of Annual Conferences are hereafter to record "every action as it occurs."

To us, all the changes seem for the better.—Doubtless there are some in the Church who will think differently. The Church is now numerous, wealthy, learned, and refined, and all these changes are but the natural result of these facts.

The Nashville (Tennessee) *Union* asserts that the Radicals in that State are organizing secret societies, the members of which pledge themselves under oath to be true to the party.

Hon. Charles W. Russell, of Virginia, who sojourned for some time in Canada, has settled in Baltimore City, where he is practising law.

All cases, civil and criminal, in which a negro is a party, will hereafter be tried by the civil authorities in Portsmouth, Va.

It is said that the President will certainly veto the bill for the admission of Colorado.

Announcements.

WE are authorized to announce D. B. YOUNT a candidate for the Sheriffalty of Augusta county.
may 1—tde

WE are authorized to announce SAMUEL PAUL a candidate for re-election to the Sheriffalty of Augusta county. may 8—tde V & V copy.

Drugs & Medicines.

HUTCHESON'S OINTMENT, THE GRAND EXTERNAL REMEDY, Warranted superior to any Liniment or Ointment ever used, as a remedy for Piles, Fistulas, Ulcers, Inflamed Breasts, White Swellings, Burns, Scalds, Pains in the Chest or Side, Sore Throat, Fresh Cuts, Wounds or Bruises, Tooth Ache, Jaw Ache, Sore Eyes, Tetter, Sore Lips, Skin Diseases, and all kinds of Sores or Inflamations in MAN or BEAST.
HUTCHESON & MILLER, Amsterdam, Botetourt county, Va.
For sale by Dr. WAYT & BRO., Wholesale and Retail, Staunton, Va. may 15

DRUGS AND MEDICINES.—We would call the attention of the public to our large stock of Drugs, medicines, paints, oils, dyestuffs, glass, perfumery, fancy articles, colognes, combs, brushes, instruments, trusses, patent medicines, gunpowder, Japanese and black teas, etc.
Our medicines, etc., have been selected with the greatest care and are warranted genuine. All new preparations on hand.
Physicians' prescriptions carefully and accurately compounded.
DR. WAYT & BRO., Druggists, Main street, nearly opposite Town Hall.
may 15—tf

"Rectus in curia."

NOTICE.—The undersigned takes this means of apprising the public that the Wm. Armstrong, whose name appears among the signers to a petition to Congress, praying the return of troops to Staunton, is not the Wm. Armstrong living in the Little Calf Pastures.
may 15—1t WM. ARMSTRONG.

GREAT MISTAKE.—The undersigned having heard that some have mistaken the name of John Kline Durboraw, signed to the petition for the return of troops to Staunton, for his, takes this means of apprising such of their great mistake. He not only never signed it, but is opposed to the object of the prayer of the petition. ADAM KLINE,
may 15—1t Staunton, Va.

Tax Notice.

U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE, NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.
All persons in Augusta county, who were assessed during the months of January and February, and all those who have failed to pay the assessments of previous months, are hereby notified that I will be at the following places in said county, at the times specified, to collect the same:
At Greenville, on Tuesday, May 29th
" Waynesboro, " Thursday, " 31st.
" New Hope, " Friday, June 1st.
" Mt. Sidney, " Saturday, " 2d.
" Churchville, " Monday, " 4th.
" Middlebrook, " Tuesday, " 5th
" Staunton, " Wednesday and Thursday, 6th and 7th of June.
WILLIAM DOLD, Deputy for Samuel R. Sterling, Collector 2d dist. Va.
may 15—3t

Fish! Fish! Fish!

50 Half Barrels Family Roe Herrings, 50 Bbls. No. 1 Potomac Herring, 10 bbls nett Potomac Herring, 20 kegs Shad Roe,
For sale by JOHN S. KNOX, Jr. No. 10 Union Street, Alexandria, Va.
may 15—1m

WOOD'S Celebrated North Carolina CLIPPED HERRING, GOLDEN SYRUP, and a general assortment of fine groceries, for sale at reduced prices,
By KER, STEVENSON & CO.
may 15—3t

Glass & Queensware.

GLASS & QUEENSWARE.—George A. Piper has just received, at White's old stand, a new supply of Glass and Queensware, to an examination of which he respectfully invites the public. His stock consists in part of the following articles:
Ewers and Basins, Pitchers, Bowls, Plates, Dishes, Cups and Saucers, China Sets, Castors, Goblets, Tumblers, Molasses Cans, Mugs, &c.
A supply of good Stoneware on hand.
may 15—2t

Read This!

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY inform the citizens of Staunton that there will be three markets each week, as follows: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Bring larger baskets and buy more meat.
May 15—3ts. THE BUTCHERS.

Removal.

REMOVED.—Mrs. M. E. Fagan begs leave to inform her former patrons and friends that she can now be found at her new Store, one door east of Dr. Arthur's and immediately opposite the "Valley Virginian" Office. She has just returned from the city of Baltimore, and is now opening, for inspection, her large and tastefully selected stock of Millinery, for the Spring and Summer fashions. may 15—tf

Auction Sales.

By Paine & Co., Auctioneers, (Office No. 106 Main Street.)
LARGE AND ATTRACTIVE SALE OF DRUGS, MEDICINES, CHEMICALS, AND PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS, At Auction Without Reserve.
On TUESDAY, 22d May, commencing at 10 o'clock, at the newly erected four-story Warehouse, corner of Fourteenth and Cary streets, next door to Messrs. W. B. Jones & Co., we will offer for sale at auction, without reserve, a large and general assortment of DRUGS, MEDICINES, CHEMICALS, AND PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS, Together with a variety of other articles pertaining to the trade, too numerous to mention, to which we invite special attention.
PAINE & CO., Auctioneers,
may 15—1t Richmond, Va.

LAND FOR SALE.—The undersigned will offer for sale, on the premises, on THURSDAY, JUNE 14th, a tract of land lying in Augusta county, Va., belonging to the estate of John Brooks, dec'd, situated on the road running from Fishersville to Barterbrook, and 2½ miles from the Depot on Va. Central Railroad, containing 387 acres—90 of it well timbered.
This land is not surpassed in quality for grazing purposes by any in the county. It is finely set in blue grass. There is a good brick dwelling house with necessary out houses. A well of water is within a few yards of the house. A second well, a spring and a running stream give a sufficiency of water. There is also a small young orchard of select fruit.
TERMS:—One fourth down, the balance in one, two, and three years; the purchaser giving bond with approved security.
John D. Brooks, Esq., will take pleasure in showing the land to any one wishing to examine it before the day of sale.
Z. J. WALKER, Mrs. M. B. DOLD.
☞ Rockingham Register, Richmond Whig, [weekly] New York News, and Philadelphia Age, copy 4t and send bill to me.
Z. J. WALKER,
may 15—4t Brownsburg, Va.

IMPORTANT TO LEATHER DEALERS.
We will sell, at auction, on Monday, May 28th, 1866, (Court day) in front of the Court House, in Staunton, a superior lot of Upper and Harness Leather, Kip and Calf Skins.
CUSHING & CO., Auctioneers.
may 15, 1866—2t

COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF LAND NEAR STAUNTON.—The undersigned, administrators of Fleming B. Moon, dec'd, and commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Augusta county, will proceed, on Saturday, the 26th day of May next, in front of the Court House of Augusta county, to sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, 45 Acres, 2 Roods, and 30 Poles of Land, belonging to the estate of the said Fleming Moon, dec'd. This land lies on the McAdamized road, one mile North of Staunton, adjoining the lands of N. K. Trout, H. M. Bell and others. The land will be sold in four lots, a plot of which may be seen at the office of Echols, Bell & Catlett, in Staunton.
Terms of Sale:—One-third payable in 60 days, when the sale is confirmed, and the balance in one and two years after day of sale, all to be secured by bonds with good security and the title retained until the purchase money is paid.
Sale to commence at 11 o'clock, A. M.
SIMPSON F. TAYLOR, JOHN RAMSEY, Administrators and Commissioners.
Ap 24—tds

GRAZING FARM IN POCAHONTAS COUNTY.
For sale at public auction.—As executor of J. G. W. Youell, dec'd, I will offer for sale at Huntersville, in said county, on the 18th day of May next, a tract of land on the waters of Big Spring branch of Elk river, containing 667 Acres. This land is of excellent quality—a considerable portion enclosed—near 200 acres hacked; has fine Springs on it; is well adapted to grass, and can be made a good stock farm.
Any person wishing to view the land will call on Mr. Sam'l McCutchen, near Dunmore Post-office.
Terms liberal and made known on day of sale.
A. PATTERSON, Ex'or of J. G. W. Youell, dec'd.
Apl 24—tds

AUGUSTA LAND FOR SALE.—We will sell, upon the premises, at public auction, on Thursday, the 31st day of May next, a valuable tract of limestone land, containing 250 Acres. This farm lies about 1 mile from Greenville, and adjoins Capt. C. G. Merritt, and others. About 50 or 60 acres are of good oak timber. The balance cleared and well set in grass, with two good meadows.
Improvements consist of good barn, dairy, and tolerable dwelling house. The farm is well watered.
Terms of Sale.—$1000 in hand and balance in ten annual payments, if desired and well secured.
Sale at 11 o'clock, A. M.
ECHOLS, BELL & CATLETT,
April 17—ts Agents for James R. Hutton.

Wants.

HELP WANTED.—Because of the prolonged sickness of my wife, who is now in the State of Ohio, with her friends, and because I am unable to procure the services of an honest, truthful, and industrious Housekeeper, I propose to some suitable white man, who has a wife not afraid of work, to furnish them House Room upon the condition that the wife will take care of my house and its contents, and cook for two persons engaged on the farm; the husband, if an efficient, honest, hard-working man, can get employment in the neighborhood. I propose, further, that for a suitable man and his wife I will be liberal. None need apply unless they can produce unquestionable testimonials for honesty, truth, industry and steady habits.
It Vin copy REUBEN D. HILL.
P. S.—A suitable white man might contract with the undersigned to sow a Fall Crop. and put out a crop next Spring. A man who has a wife and more than one child need not apply.
R. D. H.

BARK WANTED.—The highest cash price paid for Chestnut or Black Oak Bark.
RICHARD SUMMERSON.
may 15—2t

WANTED IN MT. SOLON.—A good, sober, industrious SHOE-MAKER, who understands his business. A good house, garden and shop can be had *at once*, by such a mechanic. Enquire of printer, or at Mt. Solon of
May 1—3t Capt. JOS. F. HOTTLE.

Estray Cow.

ABOUT THE 1ST OF MAY THERE estrayed from the premises of C. W. Parker, near Staunton, a fresh Cow, of light red color, white back and belly. No other marks remembered. She was raised in the neighborhood of Middlebrook, and it is supposed that she may have returned to that neighborhood. Any information of her whereabouts will be thankfully received and liberally rewarded.
may 15—3t C. W. PARKER.

Groceries.

FINE GROCERIES—
New Herring, New Mackarel, Cotton Yarns, from No. 6 to 16, which will be sold cheap for Cash, or exchanged for Produce by
J. W. S. TAYLOR, Main Street, next to Points' Tin Store.
may 15—4t

Dry Goods.

STOCK OF GOODS FOR SALE.—The undersigned, finding that they have too much other business to attend properly to their Store, offer for sale A Small Stock of Goods in their store at Willow Spout, Augusta county, Va., two miles from Mt. Sidney, on the McAdamized road. It is a first-rate stand for a store.
may 15—3ts PARKINS & BRO.

For Rent.

FOR RENT.—A LARGE AIRY ROOM, on Main Street, over Schmitt's Barber Shop.
For particulars enquire at
may 15 THIS OFFICE.

Garden and Flower Seeds.

GARDEN SEEDS.—Landreth's celebrated Garden and Flower seeds just received and for sale at P. H. TROUT'S Drug Store.
Feb 20, 1866.

Improved Crinoline!

GREATEST INVENTION OF THE AGE, *IN HOOP SKIRT,*
Manufactured by the Diamond Hoop Skirt Manufacturing Company.
PETERS & WOOLLEY, No 801 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware, and No. 5 North Holliday street, Baltimore.
Manufactories Nos. 1, 3, and 5 West 8th Street, Wilmington, Delaware.
The Spiral [or *one*] Spring Elliptic Skirt is made of one hoop, without the common extension or fastenings in front, which are constantly breaking or pulling out when in use.
All knots in our Cord Skirts are glued which makes it impossible to slip.
Our Tape Skirts are fastened with a patent clasp 1½ inches long over the tape with six teeth clasps over the tape which makes it impossible to pull them apart, without first breaking the tape.
These Skirts can be found, in a large assortment, of all kinds of shapes, sizes, &c., at ISAAC PAUL & CO.,
may 8— Staunton, Va.

Fine Horses, Cattle & Hogs.

TO LOVERS OF FINE HORSES.—I have owned Black Hawk since 1859, improving every year, and in my esteem is the horse and breed for all work, fine riding qualities, developing in his colts of the best. Owning a number of his fillies, have farmed Doswell's distinguished race horse Orion, son of Revenue, and full brother to the famous Planet. Besides these splendid horses, I took steps to have bought at Easter Week Great Horse Fair of the Normandy District of France two Stallions and a mare of the celebrated Norman race, approved wherever known, as a uniform breed of fast heavy draught horses. I hear to-day of their purchase, now at sea, and may arrive early in this month, and propose sending one of them to Augusta county, wishing to aid, not only in regaining our lost ground in horse breeding by the Yankee scourge, but to improve our stock of horses by these three distinct, and established breed of horses.
Black Hawk, Orion and a Norman will remain on my farm at $30 for the season, groom's fee one dollar, and pasturage for mares only from a distance, one dollar and fifty cents per week. Those wishing to avoid money obligations, may do so by dividing the value of the colts when weaned.—Persons can defer their engagements till they can see these French horses, meantime address me at Charlottesville, or inquire of George L. Peyton, Staunton. S. W. FICKLIN.
may 8—3t

SHORT HORNED CATTLE AND ALBEMARLE IMPROVED HOGS.—Most of my Cattle being short horns, I will for the first time sell Heifers, or a few cows this summer, and Yearlings or younger Bull Calves, at two-thirds of Kentucky prices, just tested by the purchase, and arrival here, of a Bull and two Heifers by a friend, and a Bull for me from Alexander's famous herd. Also a lot of beautiful eight months' Sows in pig, and a Boar, and Boar and Sow pigs.
I will deliver boxed on the cars for from ten to thirty dollars each.
Belmont, may 8—3t S. W. FICKLIN.

Look to your Interest!

NEW AND CHEAP GOODS.
BAKER BROTHERS!
[Branch of the well known and old established house of Baker & Bros., at Winchester, Va.]
Are now receiving and offer for sale in the "Hope House," near the Virginia Central Rail Road, a very large and carefully selected stock of
Groceries, Nails and Heavy Hardware, Window Glass, Oils, Paints, Domestic Dry Goods, &c.,
Embracing such articles as are daily needed by the farmer, mechanic and every housekeeper.
These goods have been purchased exclusively for cash, (under the pressure of the late great decline in prices,) by our senior partner, chiefly from importers and first hands, and will be sold at *a very small advance upon cost for cash, or in exchange for country produce.*
Our facilities for procuring goods from the Northern cities promptly and cheaply are ample, and any articles which we may not have in store can be obtained in a few days.
To Merchants we will make a liberal abatement in prices, offering to them the advantages which we have from making our purchases in connection with our firm at Winchester, for cash, from Importers and Manufacturers' Agents.
We solicit all buyers to call and examine our stock. BAKER BROTHERS.
We expect to be prepared in a short time to do a Forwarding and Commission Business.
STAUNTON, VA. may 8—tf

"Fork Over!"

NOTICE.—The undersigned respectfully requests all persons who have had dealings with the firm of Herring & Koiner and also with the firm of Herring & Kennerly to compare accounts that they may be settled either by bond or otherwise. He is desirous to have all accounts settled and closed, as he expects to change the location of his business.
may 8 '66.—4t THOS. D. HERRING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I will receive all bills due the late firm of Bledsoe & Wood, until the 30th of May next.—All bills not paid before that time, will be put in other hands for collection.
C. E. WOOD, surviving partner of the late firm of
May 1—4t Bledsoe & Wood.

For Sale Privately.

FOR SALE.—One of Knabe's 6½ Octave Pianos, rosewood case, all round corners and in good order. For further particulars apply at this office. May 1—1m

FOR SALE.—I have a first rate new family carriage which I will dispose of on reasonable terms. Either one or two horses can be attached to it. Apply immediately.
March 20—tf JAMES FAGAN.

Plaster! Plaster!

200 TONS FRESH GROUND PLASTER on hand and for sale at $13., in barrels, on the cars, by ARMISTEAD & MOORE.
may 8—2w Alexandria, Va.

300 TONS BEST WINDSOR BLUE PLASTER on hand and for sale at $7. per ton on the cars by ARMISTEAD & MOORE,
may 8—2w Alexandria, Va.

Warning.

TO TRESPASSERS.—It is unpleasant to say to this class, that they will be summarily dealt with, for trespassing on the farm known as the "Ralston Place." Fences are thrown down, locks have been broken from gates and other liberties taken, that will not be submitted to further. Forbearance has ceased to be a virtue.
May 1—3t J. M. McCUE.

Navigation.

NEW SHENANDOAH COMPANY.—The stockholders in this company are requested to attend a general meeting at the house of John W. Lee, in Port Republic, on Saturday, the 9th day of June next. A general attendance (either in person or by proxy) is earnestly desired.
may 8—5ts S. H. LEWIS, Treasurer N. S. Company