

Staunton Spectator.

Local News.

On the 2nd inst., in Braxton county, Lieut. T. J. Berry, formerly of the 25th Va. Infantry, accidentally shot himself with a rifle. His left arm, in consequence, had to be amputated.

We learn from the clerk of the Council, that the Town of Staunton has paid the interest upon its debt. Has any other Town in the State been able to do this since the war? We doubt it. We believe that Staunton has exhibited more enterprise, and has done more business since the war than any Town of its size in the State.

Mr. Harvey Effinger, of Harrisonburg, has been elected Cashier of the 1st National Bank of Staunton to supply the place of Prof. Wm. Allan. We welcome to our place such worthy citizens as Mr. Harvey Effinger. If Rockingham can spare them, we would be pleased if she would send us some more of the same sort.

The Excelsior Base Ball Club, of this place, have challenged the Monticello Club, of the University, to another test of skill, and the game will take place, in the Institution meadow, the latter part of this week or the first of next. Look out "Monticello," you must be beaten and ours are the very boys that can do it, notwithstanding you got the better of them on a former occasion. We go our pile on the "Excelsior."

At the Exchange Hotel, in Richmond, on Wednesday last, Col. Chas. T. O'Ferrall, proprietor of the American Hotel of this place, upon being insulted by a man by the name of Lenher, castigated him pretty severely. Lenher, the Enquirer says, is connected with the Freedmen's Bureau. The difficulty grew out of remarks made by Lenher in reference to a check which he had, some time before, given to Col. O'Ferrall.

TAXES COLLECTED. We are indebted to Mr. John Towberman for the following statement of the taxes assessed and collected in this county for the State and county, for the year 1865.

The assessment of the revenue for this county amounted to \$22,512.86, of which \$21,961.04 have been collected, and of which amount the Town of Staunton paid \$1,969.06. In addition to this, the citizens of Staunton pay the corporation tax, which, we suppose, is as much more.

The licenses assessed and collected to May 1st amounted to \$8000. The levy for the county amounted to \$11,648. of which \$8,401.80 have been collected.

We have no idea what amount of Federal tax has been collected in this county. The land tax collected amounted, we believe, to \$24,000. The whisky tax will reach about \$100,000 for the year.

CONCERTS IN CHARLOTTESVILLE. We understand the Choir of the Presbyterian Church, assisted by a number of superior artists from abroad, propose giving two of their grand entertainments in Charlottesville next Monday and Tuesday evenings.

The proceeds of these concerts (sacred and secular in their character) will be appropriated for the benefit of the Church, and from what we know of the superior merits and talents of the musicians, we can confidently promise a rare treat for the citizens of Charlottesville.—We hope they will draw large houses there as they have invariably done at this place.

We can assure the citizens of Charlottesville that there is no humbug about these concerts, and that the musicians are persons of the highest character.

We understand that they will also visit Lexington in a short while, after which they will give a concert in this place.

AUGUSTA FEMALE SEMINARY. The closing exercises of the session of the "Augusta Female Seminary" took place in the Presbyterian Church on Thursday night last.—They consisted of vocal and instrumental music by the pupils, reading reports of examinations, the awarding of diplomas and certificates of proficiency, and an address by Dr. McGuffey of the University of Virginia. The reports of the examinations exhibited the fact that the pupils had acquitted themselves well in all the various branches taught, and furnished the most satisfactory evidence of the efficiency of the competent corps of instructors who teach in that Seminary. The vocal and instrumental music executed by the pupils of the music class, astonished agreeably, we are sure, all who were present who had sufficient knowledge of the science of music, and sufficient taste to appreciate the skill of the performers. No better evidence of the efficiency of the Instructor of Music—Mr. Joel Ettinger—could be desired. One diploma was awarded, and twenty-five certificates of proficiency.

The exercises were concluded by an address by Dr. McGuffey. The address was not only as interesting, but eminently instructive. It was as full of thought as an egg is of meat. We were sorry the hour was so late that he felt constrained to be brief.

We do not hesitate to recommend, in the highest terms, the "Augusta Female Seminary" to all who have daughters whom they wish to educate. The Principal of this Seminary—Miss MARY J. BALDWIN—has exhibited, in the discipline and successful management of this school, a degree of executive ability rarely shown by persons of either sex.

VIRGINIA HOTEL. "Monticello," special correspondent of the Lynchburg News, writing from Staunton under date of June 2d, thus speaks of the Virginia Hotel:

"Every traveler is struck with the great change for the better which has taken place in the improvements and management of hotels, and at none of them have more taste and real excellence been exhibited than by the proprietors of the Virginia Hotel in this place. The house has been remodelled and painted throughout, the furniture and conveniences such as would do no discredit to any hotel in New York or other great metropolis, and the fare is abundant, well cooked, and palatable; no one can rise from the table dissatisfied either for the want of attention or with the bill of fare. One of the firm is Lt. Col. Charles L. Peyton, who lost an arm in the service, and fought gallantly many a battle in the same brigade with you, Mr. Editor. No man in the State, I am sure, would give you a more hearty welcome than Charley Peyton."

Gen. R. E. Colston delivered in this place, upon Wednesday and Friday nights last, his two lectures upon the character of Gen. Stonewall Jackson, the first being devoted to the delineation of Jackson, the man, and the second to Jackson, the General. The first is commonplace and is not calculated to excite the character of the distinguished subject of his lecture.—The second is more able and instructive and renders to Jackson that meed of praise which the popular voice accords to him. He represents Jackson as possessing all the qualities requisite for a great General.

LAST DAY'S WORK AT THORNSHORE CEMETERY. A meeting of the Ladies' Executive Committee for the prosecution of the work at the Soldiers' Cemetery, was convened at the Lutheran Church on Saturday last, when the following preamble and resolutions were submitted, approved, and ordered to be published:

Whereas we believe it can never be a source of regret to any true-hearted Southerner to devote one day's labor to the sacred purpose of rescuing the bones of our slaughtered kinsmen from oblivion, and whereas this good work has already been begun in a spirit worthy the survivors of a glorious, but unfortunate, struggle for the right of self-government, be it Resolved, That Thursday, June 21st, 1866, be set apart for its completion, and that the citizens of Staunton be invited to unite with willing hearts and ready hands in bringing this "labor of love" to a successful termination.

Resolved, That the young men of the town and county be requested to attend at an early hour on Thursday to unite in the completion of the work, and that the ladies be invited to attend with provisions and refreshments.

Business Notices. NEW MUSIC. We again take pleasure in inviting the attention of performers on the piano-forte to the following choice pieces of Music, received from the publishing house of Messrs. Oliver Ditson & Co., 277 Washington Street, Boston.

How so Fair—Instrumental—from the opera of Martha. This is said, by those versed in the science, to be unsurpassed. Price, 35 cents. Annie of the lonely Dale—song—by Killwedge. Price 30 cents.

L'Africaine de Meyerbeer—instrumental.—This is one of Byers' favorite pieces. Price 60 cents. Evian—instrumental—by Balk—40 cents. Il Trovatore—instrumental—by Albertoni—25 cents.

Persons wishing to procure good music would do well to send their orders to Oliver Ditson & Co. THE FARMER. We have received from the publishers the advanced sheets of The Farmer for July, containing illustrations with descriptions and details respecting the cultivation of the soil by means of steam power, now extensively and successfully used in Europe. From these advanced sheets, we can readily perceive that the forthcoming number will be a more than ordinarily interesting issue of The Farmer, and we hope our farming friends will not fail to secure it.

Religious Notice. The second quarterly meeting for Staunton Station, M. E. Church, South, will commence on Saturday next, 23d inst., at 8 o'clock, P. M., and continue during the following Sabbath.—The services will be conducted by Rev. E. F. Busby, P. E.

Marriages. Mr. JAS. WRIGHT and Miss HANNAH PRAGO, daughter of W. W. Pence, by Rev. Wm. E. Baker, on Thursday, the 14th inst.

Dr. J. N. WATTS to Miss JULIA B. HERRICK, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Wm. E. Baker, on Thursday morning last, by Rev. Jas. A. Latane—all of Staunton.

THE MARKETS. Staunton Prices Current. Corrected Every Week by H. Kor & Co. WHOLESALE PRICES. STAUNTON, JUNE 18, 1866.

The market is bare of article, and no steady quotations can be given. Owing to heavy advance in gold there has been a general advance in all kinds of merchandise. Quotations below are for to-day.

WHEAT, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 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