Staunton Spectator.

Local News.

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We are under obligations to Dr. J. Layne for sending us late Texas papers.

We learn from the Rockingham papers that extensive revivals of religion have occurred in various portions of that county. These are Methodist revivals.

Ker & Bro. have brooms for sale, made at the Churchville Factory. Our citizens, of course, will buy them in preference to others, if they are sincere in wishinp to encourage home industry.—*Nous verrons.*

We have not space to call special attention to all the new advertisements. Read them all.—Among them are two tracts of land advertised, in Bath county, to which we invite the attention of land buyers.

We have received the first copy of the *Moorefield Advertiser* established by Messrs D. O. Maupin and D. M. Parsons, at Moorefield, Hardy county, W. Va. It is a conservative paper, and we wish it success.

The ladies of Loch Willow church, at Churchville, will, at the residence of Mr. Samuel Myers, on Christmas night, have a sale of fancy and useful articles as well as refreshments, the proceeds to be devoted to the interest of said Church.—Those who wish to enjoy themselves, and, at the same time do good, should attend. Doors will be opened at 7 o'clock, P. M.

CHRISTMAS TREE.

A "Christmas Tree," for the entertainment of the Methodist Sunday School in this place, will be erected and decorated, in the basement of the Methodist Church, on Christmas day. We are pleased to see demonstrations of this character for the gratification and amusement of the children. We wish them a happy Christmas.

Rev. N. C. Brackett, who has supervision over the Freedmen's schools in the Valley of Virginia from Harper's Ferry to Lexington, has rented the house and lot in the West end of this place now the property of Mrs. Lavinia V. Allen, recently owned and at present occupied by Capt. St. F. C Roberts. He is a native of Maine, but has been for several years in the Valley of Va., having been located at Harper's Ferry.

STEIFF'S PIANOS.

We have been advertising for more than a year the excellent pianos manufactured by Chas. M. Stieff of Baltimore, and are pleased to know that many have been sold in this and the adjoining counties, and that they have proved to possess all the good qualities claimed for them. Prof. Joel Ettinger of this place is an agent for the sale of these pianos, and those who wish to purchase a good instrument on reasonable and liberal terms, should apply to him. He is a clever gentleman and will do the "handsome thing" for those who wish to have one of these improved instruments.

ORIGINAL STORIES.

We will commence publishing next week an original story written expressly for the *Staunton Spectator*. It is entitled, "*Our Mess,*" *by a Rebel Subaltern.* The next issue will contain the first chapter, which is devoted to the relation of the remarkable stories of *Maj. Sam. Stretcher*, as told by him to his fellow-soldiers by the camp fires. He throws Munchausen, Gulliver, and the imaginative author of the Arabian Nights completely in the shade. Those who were, soldiers, as well as those who were not, will be interested in his marvellous narratives.

INTERESTING LIST OF MARRIAGES.

We publish on the first page of this issue a list of marriages solemnized by Rev. John Brown, between the years 1755 and 1793. It will be observed that the marriages between 1755 and 1781, a period of 26 years, are not included in the list published. The estimable minister who solemnized these marriages was for near half a century pastor of New Providence Church. This list of marriages will be of great interest to the citizens of Augusta and Rockbridge counties, as it contains the dates of the marriages of their ancestors. It should be preserved, and we would suggest to them to put away carefully the paper containing them, or cut out the list and take care of it.

LECTURE ON EDUCATION.

On Monday night, the 10th inst., Mr. Pike Powers repeated his excellent lecture upon education before the Staunton Lyceum. On this occasion we had the pleasure of hearing it, and regret that more than were present were not similarly favored. Every pupil in each of the many good schools in this place should have been present. The views of the lecturer were sensible and correct, and were expressed in excellent style—a happy combination of the strong, simple and ornate. It combined the strength of the oak, with the attractive ornament of the flowering vine that mantles it with beauty. He stated, what is especially true in Virginia, that the vocation of teaching had been elevated from the degradation which formerly attached to it to the highest respectability, and that it had now become to be one of the *powers* of the land. Thus perpetrating, unintentionally, a very good pun, as the lecturer is a teacher and his name is Powers.

FREE SCHOOLS IN STAUNTON.

In this place there are two schools for colored pupils and one free school for white pupils, conducted by northern teachers—the former by Mrs. Dunn, Miss Gillespie, Miss Gilmore and Mr. Piper, and the latter by Miss Ellen Levett. Mrs. Dunn and Mr. Pipor are from Maine, Miss Gillespie and Miss Levett from New Hampshire, and Miss Gilmore from Massachusetts. Mrs. Dunn has been here ever since the establishment of colored schools in this place. The colored schools contain 360 pupils, in which are embraced both sexes and nearly all ages from 5 to 60 years. The average attendance last month was 230. The free school for white pupils contains about 45, the average attendance being 35. The funds for supporting these schools are supplied by a Religious Association in the Northern States, and they are under the supervision of Rev. N. C. Brackett, who has general supervision of all such schools in the Valley from Harper's Ferry to Lexington.—We understand that some of the colored pupils are progressing in their studies remarkably well. The teachers of these schools have given no cause of complaint to our citizens, and have, so far as we are informed, conducted themselves with propriety.

MORE SOLDIERS' BODIES DISINTERRED.

The citizens living at and in the neighborhood of Stribling's Springs, disinterred and brought to town on Saturday week, the remains of sixteen Confederate soldiers, who died in the Hospital at that place early in the war. The following list was copied from tickets on the coffins:

1. C. N. Bennett, 31st Va. Vols.
2. Unknown.
3. —— Phillips, Co. H., 31st Va. Vols., died April 8, 1862.
4. J. K. Spoals, Co. B., 25th Va. Vols, died Nov. 8, 1861.
5. John Scott, Co. C., 58th Va. Vols., died Nov. 10, 1861.
6. Unknown.
7. J. Morgan, Co. E., 3d Ark., died Dec., 1861.
8. Stephen Jones, Co. G., 37th Va., died Dec. 2, 1861.
9. —— Ramsey, Co. D., 12th Ga., died Dec., '61.
10. J. McCroan, 12th Ga., died Dec. 6, 1861.

11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16—Unknown.

On Friday week, twenty-three bodies were brought from Piedmont—all unknown.

The following contributions to the Soldiers' Cemetery Fund have been recently received:—From Mrs. Finley, $5.00; Collected by Mrs. Arnall, $13.00; Mrs. Marshall, $12.50.

STAUNTON A CITY.

We have called Staunton a city on former occasions, and some of our jealous cotemporaries, of the villages of Harrisonburg, Lexington and even *little* Charlottesville, have exhibited a disposition to ridicule the assertion; but now, that we are prepared to make the positive announcement that we have had a pick-pocket in our midst—yes, a genuine, tall-beaver-hat-pick-pocket, and none of *your* ordinary money thieves or common jail-birds—we suppose these small villages will get rid of their diminutive ideas about our city. This light-fingered "gent" was evidently on a *fishing* tour among the mountains of old Virginia for the purpose of catching *trout*, and, although he angled very dexterously, he did not get his hook into the *lip* of *Phil.* The circumstances connected with his trip to Staunton are substantially as follows: On the night previous to Mr. P. H. Trout's departure for Philadelphia, a gentleman (apparently) came into his store and remained until a very late hour, and, the time having arrived to close up for the night, he was requested to leave. A short while after, as Mr. Trout was sitting in the parlor at his boarding house, (Mrs. Stuart's) the door bell was rung, and, on going to the door, this same individual was found standing on the pavement, apparently very drunk, and asked permission to go in and warm, which privilege was refused him. The next morning Mr. Trout left Staunton for Philadelphia, and, on arriving there, put up at one of the hotels. In the evening, while Mr. T. was at supper, a gentleman (judging from outside appearance) walked into the office of the hotel and registered his name M. W. Price, and, on looking over the register, remarked to the clerk—

"I see here the name of my old friend Phil Trout, from Staunton. Can't you give me a bed in the same room?"

The clerk, suspecting nothing wrong, handed him the key to the desired room, and he retired. After supper Mr. Trout applied to the clerk for the key to his room, and was informed that a friend of his had been assigned to the same room, and on referring to the name on the register, it was not recognized by Mr. Trout, whereupon he proceeded immediately to his room and found a man snugly ensconsed in one of the beds, covered up, head and heels, and seemingly as sound asleep as one of the seven sleepers. All efforts to arouse or recognize him were fruitless. Mr. T., not fancying the appearance of things, procured another room—the adjoining one—and sent a servant to remove his baggage. On the servant's leaving the room with the baggage, the sleeper awoke to his interest and inquired—"What are you going to do with that baggage?" The servant gave him an evasive reply, and removed the baggage to the next room. Mr. Trout retired, and very early next morning, hearing his *friend* getting up, concluded to get up and find out who he was, and all about him. Both coming out of their rooms about the same time they met in the hall, and Mr. T. accosted the beaver-hat gent, telling him that he understood he claimed to be a friend, and wished to see him. The light-fingered individual refused to recognize his *adopted friend*, and seemed anxious to evade an investigation of the matter, and while being insisted upon to go before the clerk and clear up the affair, a detective stepped out of an adjacent room and arrested him, remarking at the same time—"You are the man I've been looking after for several weeks." Thus ends our story, as Mr. Trout, from whom we learned these facts, did not remain to learn the particulars of his trial.

UNION OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

We learn from the Rockingham *Register* that the Old and New School Presbyterian Churches in Harrisonburg are soon to be united under the supervision and care of one Pastor. The committee of Ministers and Elders appointed by the Lexington Presbytery to visit these churches and adjust the differences between them, have performed that delicate duty, and have arranged for their early union upon terms perfectly equitable and in consonance with the unanimously expressed wishes of the whole body of the long dissevered churches.

The committee appointed to effect this arrangement was composed of Rev. Messrs. John R. Bowman and Wm. T. Richardson, and Elders Col. Wm. A. Bell and David S. Bell, of this county.

After the complete and more perfect union of the Presbyterian congregations at Harrisonburg, so wisely and so harmoniously inaugurated, shall have been effected, Rev. Mr. Bell will take charge of the church at New Erection, which now feels that it needs and is able to pay for the whole of a pastor's time.

LARGE POTATOES.

A communication published in the Rockingham *Register* says that Mr. John Trimble, of Monterey, Highland county, raised, on less than an-eigth of an acre, 100 bushels of potatoes among which 100 could be found which would weigh 250 lbs., an average of 2½ lbs. each. The communication did not say, as it might have done, that by placing the ear near the ground you could distinctly hear the potatoes say to each other, "Turn over and get out of my way and let me *spread* myself."

MORE STEALING AT HARRISONBURG.

We learn from the *Register* that some thieves entered the basement of Mrs. Harriet Warren's residence, on main street in Harrisonburg, on Saturday night week, and succeeded in carrying off about 350 lbs. of pork which had been received, cut up and put away the preceding evening.

A meeting was called to be held at the Court House in Harrisonburg, on Saturday evening last, for the purpose of organizing a guard of protection or police force of citizens with the view of putting a check to robberies in that place.

Since our paragraph in reference to Christmas dinner some of our subscribers have acted upon our suggestion, and we suppose that many more will do so before the time for cooking that meal arrives. We expect our office to be crowded, on Monday next, by persons anxious to obtain the proper receipts for the perfect enjoyment of their Christmas turkey.

Snow and sleet fell here on Saturday night and Sunday morning last to the depth of about 5 inches. Monday was a bright and pleasant day. This paragraph is for the benefit of our distant subscribers, as those in this county know as much about it as we do.

At Harrisonburg, there are 82 scholars in the Freedmen's day school, and 100 in the night school, embracing scholars of both sexes and nearly all ages—the majority being females.

Two days' proceedings of the Legislature, Saturday and Monday, the 8th and 10th, will be found on the fourth page of this issue.

THE OLD VIRGINIA CLOTHING HOUSE.—Despite the "blowing" of advertisers from other places who come here with the refuse of old stocks, we are glad to find the people of the "Old Dominion" *will* patronize those who have lived with and among them;—old friends of true and tried devotion, rather than strangers who live upon the merits and reputation of distant slop-shops, and from this city and that, represent houses of immense wealth, against the interest and success of our own enterprises. Out upon the Virginian who will not purchase of those who are of us rather than those who have come to swell plethoric purses from our scanty means, when such can always be found at the house of THOMAS S. BALDWIN & Co., Corner of Tenth and Main streets. The assortment here cannot be surpassed in our city, and we are assured Messrs. B. & Co are determined to be ahead in their business, despite all opposition in the quality of their goods and the cheapness of their prices.—*Richmond Enquirer.*

STATISTICS OF METHODISM.—The following statistics of Methodism in this State will be found interesting: Membership—white, 34,843; colored, 1,212. Local preachers—whites, 167; colored, 4. Sunday schools, 886; officers and teachers, 3,000; scholars, 18,979; volumes in libraries, 31,507.

Foreign News by the Atlantic Cable.

LONDON, December 11.—A quantity of arms intended for the use of the Fenians and all the fittings of a gunsmith shop, were seized to-day at Cardiff, while on their way to Ireland.

The steamer Bolivar has been seized in the Medway, on suspicion of her being a Fenian cruiser. A large quantity of arms and ammunition and thirty tons of gunpowder were found on board.

ROME, December 11.—The man who gave information which led to the arrest of Surratt, is a French Canadian named St. Marie. He was formerly a Union soldier and, also, served in the Papal Zouaves. He and Surratt were in love with the same lady in Washington, and St. Marie betrayed Surratt through jealousy.—He says that Surratt told him that Mr. Lincoln's assassination was a preconcerted plot, which he carried direct from Mr. Davis's cabinet at Richmond.

LONDON, December 12.—The "Globe" has received from a reliable source, information of an important nature in relation to the collapse of the Mexican Empire. It is informed that there is not only a perfect understanding between the cabinets of Paris and Washington, but, also, that formal communications between the two governments have taken place, the basis of the arrangement being that the United States may do what they like with Mexico, subject to the conditions:

1st. That certain tracts of land in a healthy part of Mexico shall be left open for French colonization.

2d. That the arrangements which France made for the payment of the Mexican bondholders shall not be distubed.

It is also stated that this arrangement was concluded without the knowledge of Maximilian, and that when he was apprised of it he manifested indignation and resolved at once to abdicate and quit the country, leaving the French to treat for the withdrawal of their troops either with Juarez or the protectorate of the United States. On arriving at Vêra Cruz Maximilian wrote a letter to Bazaine, insulting to him personally and the reverse of complimentary to Napoleon.

LONDON, December 12—Noon.—A strict guard has been placed over the steamer Bolivar, which was seized in the Medway on suspicion of being a Fenian cruiser. No access to the shore is permitted to those on board. The captain and mate of the vessel, who do not join the crew, say that the vessel was for the Government of Columbia.

The Fenian troubles in Ireland are increasing. Another regiment of artillery has been ordered, and will soon proceed to Ireland.

ROME December 12.—The French Minister, Count Monte Bello, has informed the Pope, that if he withdraws from Rome, the French troops will thereafter give him no support.

LONDON, December 13—Noon.—A most appalling explosion has occurred in the colliery at Barnsley, in the county of York. The loss of life was frightful. The bodies of over 300 dead have already been taken from the mine, and many others are yet unaccounted for.

LONDON, December 13—P. M.—A second explosion took place in the same colliery at Barnsley while a large number of miners were trying to rescue the survivors of the former disaster, and thirty more lives were last. Another explosion has occurred in a colliery at Stafford, attended with great loss of life.

LONDON, December 13.—Dispatches from the East report that a rupture of relations between Turkey and Greece is imminent.

LIVERPOOL, December 13.—Several additional arrests of Fenian sympathizers in Ireland have been announced. The Government is on the track of the Fenian organization reported to exist at Hull.

PARIS, December 13.—The reorganization of the army of France is to be proceeded with immediately.

ROME, December 14.—The anticipated trouble in this city, consequent upon the withdrawal of the French troops, has not occurred. The city is tranquil. The idea that the Pope has any intention of leaving the Holy City is universally abandoned.

PARIS, December 14.—Under the new organization, the French army, with the usual reserves, will foot up about one million, two hundred and forty thousand men. It is believed that such a mighty standing army in times of peace will have no good effect. There is much misgiving about the project among the thoughtful of this city.

North Carolina rejects the Constitutional Amendment by a vote of forty-four to one in the Senate, and ninety-three to ten in her lower House.

Thad. Stevens's position that Mr. Davis cannot be tried for treason, the Washington *Star* says, will, it is understood, be taken by other leading Radicals.

John W. Garrett was on Wednesday re-elected president of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and John King, late auditor of the company, was chosen vice-president.

It is very easy to see that another effort is to be made to give currency to the atrocious libel, that Mr. Davis was concerned in the scheme for the assassination of Mr. Lincoln.

Louis Napoleon has notified the United States Minister that instead of evacuating Mexico in three instalments as intended, he will make a single job of it and retire his troops in March next.

Chief Justice Robertson, of New York, has decided that Southerners whose lives were insured in nothern companies before the war have not the right to renew their policies on payment of the back premiums.

Gov. Fletcher of Mo., has called out a large military force of the militia of the State, to "put down" the murderers and robbers who, he says, infest some of the counties, and have the sympathy of the people in other quarters.

SURRATT AS A WITNESS AGAINST JEFF. DAVIS.—The Radical organ at Washington, the *Chronicle*, intimates that Mr. Davis' trial will take place at Richmond in the Spring of 1867, and that Surratt will be pardoned upon condition that he will testify against Mr. Davis in connection with the plot to assassinate Mr. Lincoln.

BLOODY AFFRAY IN TENNESSEE.—A man named Captain Jenkins was assaulted by three men in Sweet Water, Tenn., on Sunday morning and mortally wounded by a pistol shot.—Before dying, however, he fired at his assailants, killing one instantly and mortally wounding the other two. The wounded men died soon afterwards.

GOOD EXAMPLES.—The Emperor of Russia has lately made extensive concessions to the Poles, and restored to the landholders vast estates which had been forfeited by their late rebellion against the Imperial authority. The Sultan of Turkey has extended a general amnesty to all concerned in the late insurrection against his authority. Is the Republic of the United States going to be more unmerciful than Russians and Turks?—*Balt. Transcript.*

Holden is trying to destroy the people of his State, in revenge for their rejection of himself as their Governor. He is thus at once attesting their sagacity, and stamping himself as among the basest of mankind. He has been in Washington some days, on his wretched designs, and the bill of Thad. Stevens is the report of his progress. We cannot suppose the conspiracy will succeed.

Confectioneries.

CANDIES, FRUITS, AND TOYS.—L. L. STEVENSON, successor to Ker, Stevenson & Co., next door to A. M. Bruce and opposite to Morris' old stand, on Beverly street, keeps constantly on hand a full supply of Confectionery, Foreign Fruits, Nuts, Toys, Jellies, Catsups, Canned Fruits, and all kinds of Pickles. Wedding and other parties furnished in the best style on short notice. By strict attention to business and fair prices, he respectfully solicits the patronage of the public.—Mr. James Taylor, the first of Bakers, is connected with this establishment, and will be pleased to see his old friends.

Fresh CANNED OYSTERS always on hand.
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Special Notices.

Clothing Below Cost!

ANNUAL CLOSING SALES!

SELLING OFF BELOW COST!
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G. MANDELBAUM & CO. are selling their tremendous stock of *READY MADE CLOTHING,* FAR BELOW COST!

Previous to taking up stock on 1st of February. Now is the chance to buy bargains.
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IMPORTANCE OF HAVING DAVIS' PAIN KILLER ALWAYS ON HAND.

Wonderful Cure of the Rev. D. L. Brayton, Missionary in India, who was stung by a Scorpion.

Extract from his letter, published in the Baptist Missionary Magazine:

"For the first time since I have been in India, I have been stung by a scorpion. I went out this morning to my exercises, as usual, at early dawn, and having occasion to use an old box, on taking off the cover I put my hand on a scorpion, which immediately resented the insult by thrusting its sting into the palm of my hand. The instantaneous and severe pain which darted through the system is quite incredible; what an awfully virulent poison their sting must contain! I FLEW TO MY BOTTLE OF DAVIS' PAIN KILLER, and found it to be true to its name; after a moment's relief, I saturated a small piece of sponge, bound it on my hand, and went about my exercises, feeling no more particular inconvenience.
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TO CONSUMPTIVES.—The Advertiser, having been restored to health in a few weeks, by a very simple remedy, after having suffered several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease, Consumption—is anxious to make known to his fellow-sufferers the means of cure.

To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used, (free of charge), with the directions for preparing and using the same, which they will find a *sure cure for Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis,* &c. The only object of the advertiser in sending the Prescription, is to benefit the afflicted, and spread information which he conceives to be invaluable; and he hopes every sufferer will try his remedy, as it will cost them nothing, and may prove a blessing.

Parties wishing the prescription will please address Rev. EDWARD A. WILSON, Williamsburgh, Kings county, N. Y.
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Marriages.

At the residence of Mr. David Snyder, near Augusta Springs, on Nov. 29th, by Rev. J. W. Grimm, Rev. GEO. HUFFMAN, of Virginia Annual Conference, United Brethren in Christ, to Miss CATHERINE SNYDER, all of Augusta.

On Nov. 7th, by Rev. J. I. Miller, Mr. JOHN C. DUNLAP to Miss THERESA M. MCCHESNEY—all of this county.

On the 20th of November, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Samuel Brown, Mr. J. LUTHER MORRISON to Miss MARY A. McCUTCHAN, daughter of Wm. M. McCutchan, all of Rockbridge.

On Nov. 29th, by Rev. Dr. Thompson, at the house of the bride's father, Mr. WM. L. PATTERSON to FRANCIS ANN PATTON, daughter of Alexander Patton—all of Rockbridge.

At the residence of the bride, in Harrisonburg, on the 11th inst., by Rev. C. V. Bingley, Rev. L. S. REID, P. E. Charlottesville District, Va. Conference, E. M. Church, to Mrs. MARY C. KYLE, of Harrisonburg.

On the 27th of November, by the Rev. J. W. Howe, Mr. PHILIP DINGLEDINE to Miss CATHARINE V. MILLER—all of Rockingham.

Deaths.

At Lebanon, Ohio, on the 5th inst., Mrs. MARTHA HILL, wife of Reuben D. Hill, Esq., of this county.

In Staunton, on Friday morning, Nov. 14th, of pneumonia, Mr. JOHN BECK, in the 31st year of his age.

Died on the 20th of Nov., 1866, near Spring Hill, Augusta county, Va., after a few weeks illness, MARY VIRGINIA SPITLER, aged 14 years, 7 months, and 14 days.

Death, by disease in one of its most fearful forms has visited this family, and suddenly removed from the fond embrace of mother, brothers, and sister, one most dearly loved. Ginnie is gone! No more will her bright face and cheerful voice gladden the home circle. Her presence was, indeed, as the bright sunshine, shedding joy and happiness around. Wherever she went peace followed in her footsteps, and pleasure attended her pathway. Thus, by deeds of loving kindness, and affection true, linking herself to all who knew her by triple bands of truest friendship, she became the favorite of all, and many and sincere were the tears shed over her early death.

She will be missed in her school where she attended until within a few weeks of her death, and many tearful eyes will be cast toward the "vacant seat."

Ginnie left behind her many warm and devoted friends, but she left them with the consolation she has departed to a land where troubles are unknown.

Her body sleeps under the sod but her sufferings are o'er, and her spirit basking in eternal sunshine.

"Beneath the stone there sleepeth one
Who was our joy, our pride;
A flower that was but lent to us.
That budded, bloomed, and died.

We know that God has but recalled
The gem that he hath given;
And though the casket moulders here,
The jewel is in heaven. M.

THE MARKETS.

Staunton Prices Current.

Corrected Every Week by H. Ker & Bro.
WHOLESALE PRICES

STAUNTON, Dec. 17, 1866.

FLOUR—Superfine $11½; Extra 12½; Family 13½.
WHEAT,....$2 40
CORN,....60c ₱ bushel
OATS,....35c
BUCKWHEAT,—dull,....2½c ₱lb
BACON,....16c, Hog Round
PORK,....$8@$10₱cwt.
LARD,—New,....13c ₱lb
BUTTER,....25c ₱lb
EGGS,....30c ₱doz
IRISH POTATOES,....50c ₱bus
MEAL,....70c ₱bus
OFFAL,....2c ₱lb
SALT,.... Marshall, $4 25 ₱ sack
SUGAR—Brown, 15@18c; Coffee, 22; Crushed, 25c
MOLASSES,....75cts@$1.00 ₱ gallon
TEAS,....Black, $2; Green $3.00
WOOL—dull—Unwashed, 25c; Washed, 35c@40
FLAXSEED.... $2
GUANO—Pacific, $75.00; Peruvian, $105; Raw Bone, $70.

Money Market.

RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 14, 1866.

GOLD—Opened in New York at 138; and at 11 o'clock 137¾. Brokers in Richmond were buying at 137 and selling at 138½.

BANK NOTES—Nearly all Bank Notes are declining.

STOCKS—Virginia Registered Stocks continue very dull with a downward tendency. All kinds of Stocks and Bonds are very heavy, owing to a light money market.

Grazing Farms for Rent.

GRAZING FARMS FOR RENT.—I will rent to the highest bidder, in the town of Lewisburg, W. Va., on the 1st day of January next, the lands belonging to the estate of Wm. McClung, dec'd, consisting of six different tracts, varying in quantity from 150 to 900 acres.

Three of said farms have comfortable houses upon them.

Possession given 1st day of March, 1867.

Bond with approved security will be required.
J. GRIFFIN RADER,
Agent for Guardian of Heirs of
dec11—2t Wm. McClung, dec'd.

Estray.

HIGHLAND CO. COURT CLERK'S OFFICE, to wit:—ESTRAY—Taken up by John Ervin, on his land, in the county of Highland, on the 1st day of July, 1866, of the following description, to wit: A COW—color between a red and a brindle, horns a little drooped and have been bored, right horn a little shorter than the other, neither mark nor brand, supposed to be about 8 years old and appraised at $20 by Wm. Ervin, D. H. Jones and Peter Michael, before H. C. Jones, J. P. Extract—teste,
dec11—3t J. C. MATHENY, D. C.

Stockholders Meeting.

NOTICE.—In accordance with the Articles of Association the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the First National Bank of Staunton, will be held at their Banking House in Staunton, on *Tuesday, the 8th day of January,* 1867, for the election of a President and Directors.
M. HARVEY EFFINGER,
Staunton, Va., dec 11—4t Cashier.

Dry Goods, Groceries, &c.

ANOTHER WAR DECLARED! GREAT SLAUGHTER ANTICIPATED! *Extermination against all High Prices and Undue Prices.*

SIMON H. HILB, splendidly equipped, is in the field again, with a newly purchased stock of the *most choice Goods,* just received from the first houses in New York City, and selected with the greatest care for this particular market. The stock consists principally of the following articles:

Black and fancy dress silks, all wool and half-wool Delaines, bombazines, French and English poplins of every shade and quality; linen cambric handkerchiefs—embroidered and plain; 200 eliptic spring hoop skirts—from 15 to 40 springs; 100 large balmoral skirts, French corsets, a splendid lot of White Goods and Hosiery; ladies' and men's kid gloves, do silk and worsted; 30 pieces of all wool flannels of every shade, color and quality; lindseys, ginghams, Canton flannels, ladies' black and fancy cloaking; also a fine lot of Ready Made Cloaks, French and English Broad Cloth, Cassimeres and Cassinets, Silk and Silk-Velvet Vestings, Under Garments, Latest Style of Hats, 900 pair Men's, Women's, Misses', Youths', & Children's Shoes in all their endless variety, both of city and Eastern manufacture.
S. H. HILB.
sep 25—tf Main St., at Crawford's Corner

FALL GOODS, MAGNIFICENT STOCK!! We invite the attention of our friends and the public, to our extensive *NEW STOCK OF DRY GOODS,* which, for variety of both style and beauty, *cannot* be surpassed.

In LADIES' GOODS, we offer the NEWEST STYLES that can be had, embracing Valencias, Merinos, Mouslins, Alpaccas, Thibet, Empress and Gold Cloths, in Solids, Plaids and Figures.

In STAPLE GOODS we offer Flannels, Cottons, Calicoes, and all the desirable EVERY DAY GOODS of best quality and at the lowest rates.

We pay great attention to Mourning Goods and the various classes of White Goods, with all the necessary Trimmings, &c. Trimmings are very pretty—all shades on hand.

Superior French Cloths and Coatings, Tricot, Fancy and Plain Cassimeres, and all grades of Heavy Wear for men and boys.

A fine class of Shoes, Hosiery, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Veils, Laces and the little goods so much needed by all.

☞ Special attention paid to distant orders, but we would prefer to have all come and examine.

Don't conclude that we are not in need of money, for we are very anxious to both sell for money and collect the balances now due us.
sep 18—tf KAYSER & YOUNG.

TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY I WISH TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION—

Whereas, Being armed and equipped with such a stock of GOODS, as cannot fail to strike the beholder with bewildering amazement, and please the fancy of all; and

Whereas, having entered the field for the Fall and Winter campaign of trade, I am determined to repulse, if not entirely vanquish, the great system of monstrous prices and murderous profits, which have settled upon our whole country like a mighty *Incubus,* sinking the poor into deeper depths of poverty, and dragging down the affluent, and even driving many to distraction; and

Whereas, I have taken unusual pains in the selection of my stock, and have purchased all at the lowest cash prices, which will enable me to accommodate the purchaser, at the lowest possible figures:

Therefore, I, SIMON H. HILB, do hereby issue this my proclamation, to dispose of my new stock, upon such terms as must give entire satisfaction: Whereunto, I have this the 25th day of September, A. D. 1866, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the ninetieth year, placed my hand and caused the great seal to be affixed. S. H. HILB, L.S.
sept 25—tf

NEW GOODS!! NEW GOODS!!!! We respectfully call the attention of our old friends and the public generally, to the fact that we have just received a large and well selected stock of Goods, comprised of every variety of ladies' and Gentlemen's Dress and Furnishing Goods, of the latest styles, and adapted to the Fall and Winter season. In Ladies' goods our stock is complete, and embraces all the new styles, and every variety of color and texture. The ladies are specially invited to call and examine. In Gentlemen's wear, our stock consists of all the new styles of cloths, cassimeres, cassinets, &c., from the most substantial to the finest fabric. We have also a large lot of Cloaks, Boots, Shoes and Hats, which will be sold very low. Our stock is well selected and complete, and we are prepared to supply all and suit the tastes of the most fastidious. An examination of our goods is respectfully solicited, feeling sure that we will be able to please both as to quality and price of our goods.

☞ Remember the place—
NEW GRANITE FRONT,
nearly opposite the Marble Yard.
oct 9—tf I. WITZ & BRO.

NEW DRESS GOODS, &c.—The undersigned has just returned from the North with a large and beautiful assorted STOCK OF DRESS GOODS, of which he will enumerate in part:

French reps, poplins, merinos, mouslins, delaines, a great variety; black dress goods, bombazines, alpaccas, black and colored silks, white alpacca and merino, white goods: Swiss muslins, jackonet, tarletons, Irish linens, linen lawns, Bishop and Victoria lawns, India long cloth, handkerchiefs of all kinds; table damask, towels and toweling, napkins, doylies, shakers, all wool and French flannels, bed blankets, merino vests for ladies and gentlemen, bleached and brown cotton, sheeting and pillow case cottons, &c.

Together with a large and well assorted stock of notions—all very low for cash. Give me a call before purchasing elsewhere.
oct 23—tf WM. M. POOLE.

READ! READ!! READ!!! NEW GOODS!! The undersigned has just returned from the north with a good stock of DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, NOTIONS, &c. He would call particular attention to his stock of Delaines, Ginghams, Calicoes, Linseys, Flannels, Cotton Yarn and Cloth, Cassimeres, Satinetts, Heavy Woolen Goods, Hats, Shoes, Lamps, and a variety of Notions. A good stock of Groceries and Tobacco, Snuff, Segars, sporting Ammunition, Blasting Powder, Fuse, &c. Terms CASH, and as cheap as can be sold in the Staunton market.
B. F. MARKWOOD,
Oct16—2m Main St., Staunton, Va.

MORE NEW GOODS.—Once more we offer to our friends and the public, a new stock of staple and fancy goods. We buy every week and keep up the supply so as to meet the wants of all.

In cotton staples, sheetings, shirtings, tickings, prints and other heavy fabrics, for daily use, we have a good stock of the best brands.

In dress and fancy goods we keep up with the season and the times; we get the best, both as to quality and style, that the Eastern markets can afford, and will take pleasure in showing our stock, or filling the orders of those who cannot come to the store.

Our bills are all due. Come forward and pay, as we have not time to present bills.
july31—tf KAYSER & YOUNG.

LOOK AND READ.—PIPER & FUNKHOUSER are now receiving a very fine and carefully selected stock of all kinds of FANCY DRESS GOODS, and their stock is now one of the finest and best they have ever had. The greatest care has been given in selecting all the choicest and best fabric of goods.

We are determined to sell goods *very cheap* indeed, so that all who may favor us by examining the stock, will find that we not only have choice goods, but that the price is also a great consideration, and will find it to their interest to buy from us. oct 23—tf

DRAKE & PIPER, *AT WHITE'S OLD STAND,* opposite Crawford's Corner, have just opened with a new stock of Dry Goods, Notions, Stationery, Queensware, French and American China, and Glass and Stoneware of every description. Country Produce taken in exchange for goods.
oct23—tf

CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, &c.—I have just received a very heavy stock of black Cloth, black Doeskin Cassimeres, colored Cassimere and Cassinets, Beaver Cloth, for gentlemen's overcoats and Ladies' cloaks. Call and purchase before you take cold.
oct 23—tf WM. M. POOLE.

FASHIONABLE DRESS GOODS Can be found at PIPER & FUNKHOUSER'S. *Everybody* will find it to their interest before buying their Fall and Winter Goods to examine the very large and *cheap* stock of goods at
sep 25— PIPER & FUNKHOUSER.

QUICK SALES & SHORT PROFITS! All who wish to know what the above motto signifies, must call and examine the splendid Stock of New Goods just received at PIPER & FUNKHOUSER'S.
oct 23—tf Vin copy.

A SPLENDID LOT OF FURS, CARPETING and OIL CLOTHS, at
sep 25—tf S. H. HILB'S.

1500 YARDS CALICO GOODS 1st Quality at one shilling per yard, at
sep 5—tf S. H. HILB'S.

Books and Stationery.

MAGAZINES FOR DECEMBER—Ladies' Magazines for December, and a fine collection of Guitar Music. Also a new supply of Stationery of every variety, School Books, Blank-books, Hagerstown Almanacs, &c., just received by express. JONES & HUNTER.
nov 27—tf

NEW MUSIC.—A lot of well selected Piano Music; The New Golden Chain of Sabbath School Melodies; Bradbury's Golden Shower; Happy Voices; a large assortment of Photographs; Music Paper.

THE RICHMOND ECLECTIC, a monthly Magazine of Foreign Literature, Religious and Secular, edited by Rev. M. D. Hoge, and Rev. Wm. Brown.

Pocket Diaries for 1867.
nov 20—tf ROBT. COWAN.

NEW BOOKS.—Another supply of Dutch English Almanacs, also a few German Almanacs; Spanish Papers and other Miscellanies, hitherto unpublished or collected, by Washington Irving. Methodist Hymn Books, North and South; Presbyterian Psalmodist; Langstroth on the Honey Bee; a fine assortment of Photograph Albums, &c. ROBT. COWAN.
nov 13—tf

ROBERT COWAN has recently received a variety of samples of WALL PAPER; should any persons want to paper their rooms, he can order it for them at less than the usual profits.
nov 13—tf

MAGAZINES.—Eclectic, Blackwood's and other Magazines for November, for sale by JONES & HUNTER,
Nov 13 next door to Post Office.

PRIZE PACKAGES & ALMANACS for 1867, received by
Nov 13 JONES & HUNTER.

NEW BOOKS.—The Prison Life of President Davis, by Craven; Is Davis a Traitor, by Prof. A. F. Bledsoe; "Bill Arp's" Letters—"so-called;" Cookery Books; Masonic Text Books; Guitar Instructions; also, Drawing Pencils, Bristol Board, Tissue Paper, &c., just received by [nov 6] JONES & HUNTER.

NEW BOOK AND MUSIC STORE. JONES & HUNTER, Respectfully publish to the numerous schools of Staunton and vicinity, and to the public generally, that they have opened a BOOK, STATIONERY and MUSIC STORE, *Main Street, next door to the Post-Office, Staunton,* and offer for sale a NEW and FRESH STOCK OF BOOKS, including every variety of School Books, beautiful and interesting miscellaneous works, Bibles, Hymn and Prayer Books, &c.

Our Stationery Department will always be full and well assorted, and will contain everything that can be found in a FIRST CLASS HOUSE.

The Ladies and Music Teachers are specially requested to examine our collection of music, embracing quite a variety, and the latest publications; also, Instruction Books, Musical Instruments, Strings, &c.

In addition, we have an assortment of beautiful Notions, Perfumery, &c. New Books constantly arriving; also the latest and most popular Works, Periodicals, &c.

☞ All orders promptly supplied. [oct 30

BEAUTIFUL COLORED LITHOGRAPHS of Generals Lee and Jackson, 24x36 inches; Our Fallen Generals of the South, containing, on one Chart, Photographs of the most prominent of our Generals, who were killed during the war. Price, only $1 00 each. For sale by JONES & HUNTER.

FINE BIBLES & PRAYER BOOKS. Bibles and Prayer Books, handsomely bound in silk velvet.
oct 16—tf ROB