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Office in rear of Court House, adjoining David Fultz. Aug 15—tf

Pay Your Honest Debts.

NOTICE.—Our accounts are now ready and we would be greatly obliged to our friends to remember that we are required to pay our bills promptly at 30 and 60 days. We will expect all to give the matter their immediate attention.
july23— KAYSER & YOUNG.

ACCOUNTS READY! AND MONEY WANTED! by
july9— PIPER, DRAKE & CO.

MY MUCH BELOVED BRETHREN AND SISTERNS.
From this day and until the 15th of this month, I will hold a meeting in my counting room, when I will hold forth from the text
Give unto Cæsar what is Due Cæsar.
Now is the time to come up, for verily if you don't hearken to my call, Judgment Day, (Tom Marshall) will be at your door before you are aware. A hint to the wise is sufficient.
jan 8—tf S. H. HILB.

TO THE PUBLIC.—Our accounts will all be drawn off by the first of January, 1867, and we hope that all who are indebted to us will come forward promptly and settle, as we cannot carry on our business successfully if they fail to do so. After *that* date we propose to do
STRICTLY A CASH BUSINESS,
and hope that our friends will not ask us to depart from this rule.
dec 25—tf HOGE & MASON.
Vin copy

Marriage Guide.

Young's Great Physiological Work, or every one his own Doctor—being a Private Instructor for Married Persons, or those about to Marry, both Male and Female, in everything concerning the Physiology and Relations of our Sexual System, and the Production or Prevention of Offspring, including all the new discoveries never before given in the English language, by WM. YOUNG, M. D. This is really a valuable and interesting work. It is written in plain language for the general reader, and is illustrated with upwards of one hundred engravings. All young married people, or those contemplating marriage, and having the least impediment to married life should read this book. It discloses secrets that every one should be acquainted with. Still it is a book that must be kept locked up, and not lie about the house. It will be sent to any one on the receipt of Fifty Cents. Address Dr. WM. YOUNG,
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july9—1y Philadelphia.

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The subscriber having leased the Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs, wishes to transfer his lease of the Virginia Hotel at Staunton, to some one who can give his personal attention to the management of that well and favorably known Hotel. He wishes also to sell to the person leasing, the New and Valuable Furniture with which the Hotel is now handsomely furnished. About $10,000 have recently been expended upon this valuable property in remodeling, repairing, papering, painting, &c.
GEO. L. PEYTON.
may 28—tf—town papers copy 2m

Paper & Lumber.

FOR SALE.
Sheets' Best WRAPPING PAPER, also a lot of good
INCH PLANK.
Call on R. M. GUY,
july2—tf at C. T. Cochran's old stand.

Groceries, &c.

SALT! SALT!— 225 SACKS FINE SALT for sale cheap by
may 14—tf BAKER BROS.

FLOUR! FLOUR!! Superior brands of Family, Extra and Superfine Flour, warranted, for family use, by
may 14—tf BAKER BROS.

20 BARRELS SUGAR, 10 Bags Java, Laguira, and Rio Coffee, 5 barrels Molasses, just received by
oct 9—tf HOGE & MASON.

MARSHALL & WORTHINGTON SALT for sale by
feb21— A. M. BRUCE.

SUGAR, COFFEE, SYRUP and MOLASSES, (all grades) for sale by
feb 26—tf A. M. BRUCE.

CASH paid for Flour, Corn, Bacon, Lard, Butter, &c., &c., by
feb 26 A. M. BRUCE.

BAGS.—3000 Corn or Meal Bags for sale at a very small advance on wholesale cost by WM. M. POOLE.
jan 15—tf V & V copy

HOGE & MASON, GROCERS & PRODUCE MERCHANTS, next door to old Central Bank, Staunton, Va., keep constantly on hand a full assortment of Groceries, Flour, &c.
Cash paid for Flour and Country Produce.
oct 9—tf

75 SACKS FINE MARSHALL SALT, just received and for sale low for cash, by
oct 9—tf HOGE & MASON.

HERRINGS! HERRINGS!—Old Herring, in prime order, for sale *very cheap*, by
june 11—tf BAKER BROS.

NEW FISH! NEW FISH!—No. 1 Gross and Clipt Herring in barrels, No. 1 Family Roe Herring in ½ barrels, For sale, cheap, by
may7—tf BAKER BROS.

Tobacco, Snuff and Cigars.

R. M. GUY,
Successor to C. T. Cochran & Co.,
has just returned from market with a very superior lot of *CHEWING & SMOKING TOBACCO* which he offers at very low figures to the old patrons and friends of the late firm. The attention of merchants from the country is specially called to his brands of Chewing Tobacco, consisting of "Peyton Graveley,' Golden Leaf, Crumpton, Cresus, &c.
Tobacco by the box at 60 cents.
Also by the plug 25 cents.
SMOKING TOBACCO:
Fruits and Flowers—very nice;
Virginia Choice,
Lone Jack,
and other brands, by the barrel to retailers.
Garrett & Simpson's Scotch Snuff.
Havana Cigars—and other brands.
☞ Genuine Meerschaums, Imitation, and general variety of Pipes.
Give him a call.
may 7—tf

TOBACCO, CIGARS, SNUFFS, Pipes, Stationery, Notions, &c.
SPRING TRADE.
ARMENTROUT & SON,
Corner of Main and Augusta streets, invite the attention of purchasers to their large stock of goods just selected and received direct from the importers:
The largest and best assorted stock of Stationery in the market;
The largest stock and greatest variety of Pipes, from the ordinary Clay up to the finest Meerschaum; Weichsel, Cherry, Italian, India Rubber, Reed, Root, and other Stems; good assortment Walking Canes; fine stock Toilet and Fancy Soaps; Hair, Tooth, and Nail Brushes; Pocket and Dressing Combs—new style: splendid stock of Pocket Knives, Pocket Ink Stands, Match Boxes—new style; Pocket Books—something new; Blank Books, and Diaries for 1867; Blacking and Blacking Brushes; Tobacco Bags and a great many other useful Notions; Maccaboy, Rappee, and Scotch Snuffs; Levi Garret & Sons' Scotch Snuff, put up in bottles, the best in use; also a large stock of CHEWING TOBACCOS—all the favorite brands.
100,000 *CIGARS of our own Manufacture, and all warranted as represented*; none but the best Tobaccos used.
☞ Dealers are invited to call and examine stock before purchasing elsewhere, as we are determined to sell as low, if not lower, than any other house in the country. If not able to come send orders which will receive prompt attention and with every advantage which they would have were the parties present in person.
mar 12—tf

Hardware, Cutlery, &c.

NAILS & HORSE SHOES.—A large assortment at reduced prices, by
may 14— BAKER BROS.

STOVES.—We would call the attention of our friends to our stock of Cook, Parlor and Dining-room Stoves, embracing a variety of new and elegant patterns, all of which will be sold *cheap for cash.*
nov 6—tf WOODS & GILKESON.

COUNTRY IRON.—We have just received a supply of Country Iron, and made arrangements to keep an assortment always on hand.
jan 22 WOODS & GILKESON.

HORSE SHOES.—5000 pounds Burden's Horse Shoes, just received, and for sale cheap for *cash*, by
jan 22—tf WOODS & GILKESON.

500 LBS. NORWAY NAIL RODS, 500 lbs. Swede's Iron, and Horse Shoe Iron for sale by
jan 22 WOODS & GILKESON.

HARDWARE.—We are now receiving a large stock of HARDWARE, CUTLERY, &c., embracing every article usually kept in a Hardware House.
Our stock has been purchased on the best terms (from Manufacturers and their agents) and with great care, and we are determined to sell *Cheap for Cash.* Give us a call.
oct 9—tf WOODS & GILKESON.

IRON AND HORSE SHOES.—We have just received 5 tons assorted Iron and 30 kegs Horse Shoes, assorted—Fore and Hind—*cheap for cash.* WOODS & GILKESON.

Strawberries.

New Strawberries For 1867-8.
NAPOLEON III,
The best amateur Berry in cultivation. Price (by mail, postage paid,) $3 per doz.
PERPETUAL PINE,
a perpetual, large-fruited, Strawberry of the Pine Class. Price (by mail, postage paid,) $1 for two plants, $5 per dozen.
Send for illustrated descriptive circular.
We also offer a large and splendid stock of *Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Grape Vines, Small Fruits, &c.*, of which we mail descriptive Catalogues, with prices, to all applicants.
EDW'D J. EVANS & CO.,
Central Nurseries,
aug27—2m York, Pa.

Auction & Commission Houses.

A GENERAL AUCTION AND COMMISSION BUSINESS.
The undersigned, under the firm and style of PECK & CUSHING, having taken the large and commodious storeroom of Mrs. B. Bolen, at the corner of Augusta street and Spring Alley, in Staunton, for the purpose of conducting a
General Auction and Commission Business,
solicit consignments of all kinds of Goods and Produce, to be sold either at auction or private sale, at reasonable charges.
Sales of all kinds of property attended either in town or county. H. H. PECK,
jan 1st, 1867. E. M. CUSHING.

Warm Springs Turnpike.

TURNPIKE NOTICE.—A general meeting of the Stockholders in the Warm Springs and Harrisonburg Turnpike Road Company, will be held at Stribling Springs in the county of Augusta, on the *First Friday in October*, (the 4th). It is hoped Stockholders will attend, or send their proxies. By order of the Board,
M. HARVEY EFFINGER,
Secretary and Treasurer.
HARRISONBURG, August 20th, 1867.
aug27—tdm

Dry Goods.

NEW GOODS. KAYSER & YOUNG have just received a lot of new FALL PRINTS, Black Alpaccas, Wool De Laines, Fancy Cassimeres, and other goods to which they invite attention. sep3—tf

SEASON CLOSING!
Goods Must be Sold!!
Come! Now is the time to buy a good deal with a little money.
Ladies' Lasting Tipped Serge Gaiters, $2.25.
Ladies' Morocco Shoes, 2.00.
Gents' fine shoes, 2.25a2.50
Men's heavy shoes, 1.50a2.25
MEN'S HATS—ALL PRICES.
Stair Carpet, 50 to 75 cts; 4-4 do., 50 to 1.25.
Ladies' Dress Goods,
Mozambiques and English Berages, 20 to 35.
We are not selling off at cost! O, no! but we are selling so cheap to make room for Fall goods, that you would imagine you had gone back to good old days of '60.
Just come on! You can almost buy goods at your own price.
Goods MUST BE SOLD or given away, "to make room," and, to consult our own interest we prefer not to do the latter.
Thankful for past favors, and hoping to be favored again, we remain truly,
aug13— S. N. GILES & CO.

GREAT BARGAINS In Dress and other Goods!
In order to make room for our Fall supply, we now offer our stock of Dress and Fancy Goods at greatly reduced prices.
Handsome Lawns and Organdies at 25 and 37½ cents. KAYSER & YOUNG.
july23—

NEW GOODS!—If you want cheap goods, call at once at
july 30 PIPER, DRAKE & CO.

IMPORTANT TO ALL.—To make room for Fall stock, I am now closing out my fine assortment of Summer Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, &c., without regard to cost. Bargains can be had by calling immediately.
july 30—tf W. M. POOLE.

ANOTHER LARGE SUPPLY OF SPRING AND SUMMER
Dry Goods, Notions, Boots, Shoes, &c.
We wish to inform our friends and the public that we have just returned from the Monumental City with another supply of
LADIES' AND GENT'S DRESS GOODS,
of the most beautiful and fashionable styles, which will be sold at
VERY LOW PRICES.
Our stock is now the largest in this market, and has been selected with great care and with special reference to the wants of the community. It consists, in part, of

Cloths,	Cotton Cloths,	Umbrellas,
Cassimeres,	Hats,	Hoop Skirts,
Cassinets,	Boots,	Notions,
Calico,	Shoes,	Fancy Articles
Mouslins,	Parasols,	Trunks, &c.,
Ginghams,	Alpacas,	

and, in short, every article necessary to make up
A FULL & COMPLETE ASSORTMENT
of all styles and kinds of goods kept in a first class dry goods establishment.
As to the price, style and quality of our goods we defy competition. We will sell our stock at prices which cannot fail to satisfy all.
☞ The special attention of the ladies is invited to our increased stock. Come and examine it and satisfy yourselves. Call immediately.
may7 I. WITZ & BRO.

FINE ASSORTMENT of Silk Velvet and Silk Vest Patterns of best quality, just received at W. M. POOLE'S.
june 4—V and V copy

LINEN FLOSS and French Working Cotton at W. M. POOLE'S.

COTTON BATTING at W. M. POOLE'S.
june 4—V and V copy

SECOND SUPPLY OF DRY GOODS.
The subscribers are now in receipt of their second supply of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, embracing in part the following kinds, viz:
Black and Colored Silks,
Mozambiques, Lenos,
Embroidered and figured Grenadines,
Delaines, Alpaccas, Lawn, Organdies,
Purcales, Parasols,
Sun Umbrellas,
Hosiery, Gloves,
Trimmings, Notions, &c.
All the above goods have greatly declined since last season, and we promise to sell accordingly.
As our stock has been bought under the most favorable circumstances and with great care, we are prepared therefore to sell as low as any house outside the cities, and are determined to do so.
We could promise more, but as the people are so often deceived in this way, we decline, and only ask an examination of our stock by all who may want to purchase goods.
PIPER, DRAKE & CO.
may 14—tf—town papers copy.

JUST ARRIVED.—A beautiful lot of all Silk GRENADINES, also, 30 New Style SILK SACKS.
These are the finest goods ever brought to this market for sale and I offer them at BALTIMORE PRICES.
Also,

Organdies,	Mozambiques,
Lawn,	Lene Grenadines,
Black Grenandines,	Plaids,
Black Lawns,	Ginghams,

and a large variety of other Dress Goods at very LOW PRICES.
Bleached and Brown Cottons and Cotton Yarn very low at ACKERMAN'S,
Opposite Nat. Val. Bank, Staunton.
may 14—tf

CARPETING.—All Wool and half-Wool Carpeting; 400 yards of Oil Cloth; 500 yards Straw Matting and Rugs, at
o'may 7—tf S. H. HILB'S.

DRESS GOODS! DRESS GOODS!! Summer de Laines and Challies, unusually cheap by
may14— BAKER BROS.

CHEAPER THAN EVER.—The best 4-4 Brown Cotton cheaper than since the war.
may 14 PIPER, DRAKE & CO.

PRINTS AND BLEACHED COTTON at greatly reduced prices, can be found at
may 14 PIPER, DRAKE & CO'S.

Insurance.

The North America Life Insurance COMPANY, NEW YORK.
Plan Entirely Mutual—New Features.
WITHERS & LOUD, Gen'l Ag'ts Southern States.
H. C. DESHIELDS, Agent, Richmond & vicinity.
The Policies of this company are *without Restrictions* on *travel* or *residence*, (outside of the Tropies) or *occupation*, and contain no conditions with reference to suicide, duelling, &c.
This Company issues *Registered Policies*, under the seal of the Insurance Department of the State of New York, countersigned by the Superintendent of Insurance, guaranteeing the policy to be secured by pledge of Public Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages.
Its policies are *non-forfeitable*, and are *incontestable* except on account of fraud. Once insured in *good faith* the policy is paid on simple proof of death. A loan of one-third of the annual premium will be given, without note, to the policy-holder if desired, and *thirty day's* grace allowed on all renewals.
Insure in no company until you have examined the *policy or contract* which they propose to give you. SAMUEL C. BASKIN, Agent,
sep3—1m National Valley Bank, Staunton.

VIRGINIA INSURANCE COMPANY.
Books and Subscriptions to the Capitol Stock of this Company are now open at the Banking House of W. H. Tams & Co., and at the offices of the two Banks in Staunton. The attention of Capitalists is called to the merits of this Stock, which is recommended to them as probably the *most remunerative investment* of money now offering. By Order of the
Jan 9—tf COMMISSIONERS

Preserving Solution.

Fruit-Preserving Solution,
For the Preservation of all kinds of *Fruits, Vegetables, Jellies, Wines, Cider, &c.*, Without Sugar, and without expensive Sealing or air-tight Jars.
One Bottle will preserve 128 pounds of Fruit, or 48 Gallons of Wine or Cider.
Cheap, Healthful and Effectual.
For sale at
aug 20—tf TROUT'S Drug Store.

☞ The circulation of the SPECTATOR is about as great as the combined circulation of both the other papers published in this place, and has as many subscribers in this county alone as are contained in the whole list of either of the other papers.

Poetry.

[From the Lynchburg Virginian.]

The following beautiful tribute to this most delightful season of the year was written a year or two before the commencement of the late war and originally appeared in the New York *Journal of Commerce.* It breathes the spirit of true poetry, and is full of tenderness and melody.—He who thus gives evidence of such vigor of intellect and elevated feeling, offered himself in the first year of the conflict for Southern Independence a sacrifice upon the sacred altar of his own bright sunny land, and now reposes in Shockoe Hill Cemetery, Richmond, on the bosom of his Mother, Virginia, who will ever bow with respect over the names of her martyred children.

May we not hope that "this sleep that we call death" is, to him, "but the waking to perfect, glorious, everlasting life."

AUTUMN.

BY R. M. KIRBY.

Autumn's rich veil of purple mist is resting
In royal splendor over vale and stream,
Giving a strange, rich beauty to the landscape
Like the enchantment of some fairy dream.
From deep blue skies that bends serenely o'er us
A shower of softened sunlight seems to fall;
That like His all-pervading love who gives it,
Sheds its sweet, golden lustre over all.

Bright streams grow brighter as they hasten onward,
Rich fruits are blushing on each drooping bough,
And fading flowers are shining in the garland
That bind's fair Autumn's calm and holy brow.
Soft, fragrant breezes fill with plaintive music
The forest aisles where mingled light and shade
Rest on the frost-touched leaves that grow in dying,
So beautiful only to droop and fade.

And all this brilliant, overflowing beauty
Is but the prelude to a sure decay;
Transient as dew-drops, which at early morning
Gem with their glittering pearls each drooping spray.
Yet this fair scene should bring no thought of sadness,
For Nature speaks to those who heed her voice
In accents ever sweet and ever hopeful
Bidding each weary human heart rejoice.

Oh! from these leaves that grow so strangely lovely,
While Autumn wreathes them round her funeral urn,
From these dead flowers that shall regain their beauty
When Spring's soft winds and sunny skies return:
We, too, may learn that death is but a winter
From which the soul, triumphant o'er the tomb,
Shall rise, exulting in its new found freedom
And live in pure, immortal, heavenly bloom.

They are not dead, who from our earthly vision
Are hid by this dim veil that shrouds our sight;
They are but placed where their pure spirit beauty
Can never know decay, or yield to blight—
Like flowers transplanted, they are growing fairer
In that bright world that knows no care or strife;
This sleep that we call death is but the waking
To perfect, glorious, everlasting life.

From the Albany Knickerbocker.

Remarkable Result of Disappointed Love.

One of the most remarkable results of disappointed love that we have heard of lately transpired on Arbor Hill within the past few days. A well-known young lady, the daughter of a merchant on the dock, who was very fond of a male friend of hers, and to whom she was engaged to be married, suddenly became as hateful of her lover as she was previously enamored of him.

On Monday evening she happened into a well-known ice cream saloon on Pearl street with a lady friend to partake of a dish of cream. Imagine her surprise on seeing her intended seated with a couple of other ladies. He was all attention to one with black eyes and flowing ringlets, and in the presence of his affianced took a ring from the black eyed girl's finger and placed it on his own. This was too much for her to bear. She became exasperated, and her conduct attracted the attention of the young man, who proceeded to the table where she sat and endeavored to persuade her that "it was all right"; his lady friend was an old acquaintance, and their familiarity was customary on meeting. Young lady "could not see it in that light."

The more he talked, the worse she got, until finally she left the saloon and her companion under a high state of excitement and rage. She proceeded to her home and wept bitterly all night, to think how she had misapplied her confidence. Her agitated mind was discovered by her parents the next morning, who endeavored to ascertain the cause, but she did not reveal it to them. She determined upon leaving home and going abroad. Being a young lady of refinement, and well educated, she knew she could easily secure a situation of some kind.

Having made up her mind to work, she was not afraid to do so, although she had lived the life of a lady, and could do so forever at home. She proceeded to Troy, and picking up the *Times*, saw an advertisement for a young lady to teach music to a child in a private family.—She immediately applied and secured the place. Yesterday a son of the family with whom she engaged returned home from New Orleans, an invalid. He was apparently in a very low condition. In fact he could not sit up or speak, and had not for several days previous. During the afternoon our heroine was introduced to the bedside of the invalid. Imagine the surprise of both on immediate recognition. They were old friends, we may say old lovers.

A sudden and remarkable change came over the young man. He talked freely and sat up in bed. It was but a few hours before he was out of bed and quite smart. The happy pair conversed freely. He learned that our heroine was still a maiden, but was greatly surprised to find her in the position she then occupied—out at service. She explained the cause, as we have related above. He sympathized with her, and at once offered his hand and heart. She accepted, and yesterday afternoon she returned to this city, which she left on Tuesday a disheartened girl, a happy and cheerful bride.—Queer thing that, love.

Wanted.

A broom for sweeping assertions.
A collar for a neck of land.
A quizzing glass for an eye to business.
A rocker from the cradle of the deep.
A few tears from a weeping willow.
Some down from the bosom of a lake.
A tooth from the mouth of a river.
A feather from the crest of a wave.
Some quills from the wings of the wind.

"What news to-day?" said a New Orleans merchant, to his friend, lately.

"What news?" responded the other; "nothing, only things grow better—our people are getting on their legs again."

"On their legs," said the first; "I don't see how you can make that out."

"Why, yes," replied the other; "folks that used to ride are obliged to walk now; is that not getting on their legs again?"

Summit tunnel, on the Central Pacific Rail road, 1,658 feet long, is now open from end to end through solid granite, and the track on the eastern slope of the mountain is now being laid.

JOHN G. SAXE says that it is a common notion in Boston that, if a person is born in that city, it is unnecessary for that favored mortal to be "born again."

For the Spectator.

NAVASOTA, TEXAS, August 19, 1867.

MR. EDITOR:—When we last wrote we were at Victoria awaiting the development of Yellow Fever at Indianola. In a few days it made its appearance at Lavaca, and while the city fathers of Victoria were passing resolutions, and devising means to keep it out—several cases of the disease were reported in the town, one of which proved fatal. All communications with the coast were now stopped, and we had to look out for a private conveyance to take us across the country—a distance of 100 miles to Columbus on the Colorado—the nearest railroad depot.

Our party consisted of four, beside our postillion—a New Orleans merchant (French creole), a gentleman of the Hebrew persuasion from the same city, and a drummer for a Galveston house.

Our course first lay through an almost interminable prairie, which was covered with fine fat cattle. Towards evening we reached the post oak country, where we occasionally found a cabin occupied by a family of Switzers.—About 9 P. M. we drove up to one of these houses and stopped for the night. We were well entertained, fared sumptuously on milk, butter, &c., and slept on *an open beranda.*—After 3 days hard driving we reached Columbus, and then took the Railroad for Houston.

While passing over the prairie East of the Colorado, in a distance of 15 miles, we saw from 500 to 800 deer, feeding on the plains, in gangs of from 5 to 20. Many of them were in easy rifle range, and only raised their heads and looked at the train as it went thundering by, and went to feeding again. We discharged our pistols at them several times, without any other effect than to make them scamper off a few yards and stop to look at us again.

After reaching the rich Brazos bottoms we saw several fields of cotton entirely destroyed by the worms, and it is feared that they will destroy a large part of the crop in some parts of the State.

Yellow Fever is now raging fearfully at Galveston, killing great numbers of the unacclimated, and many of the old citizens are dying from it. It is now in all of the coast as well as at Houston and several of the interior towns on the Railroad. It has not reached this town yet but it is daily expected.

Congestive fever is prevailing to an alarming extent on the Brazos and Trinity, and often proves fatal in the space of six hours. This is a malarious disease which is much worse than usual this summer owing to the large quantity of rain that has fallen, causing the streams to overflow their banks, which being followed by an almost tropical sun, causing the rapid decay of large quantities of vegitable matter, and thus producing malaria.

Registration is still going on slowly, but in many instances very unfairly. Many persons are rejected who are not disfranchised by the law, and that too without any reason being given for refusing. In one instance a negro was rejected because he said he would vote with his old master. Another was removed from one of the boards because he expressed conservative sentiments. Recently, a very intelligent negro from Canada by the name of Dr. Parker, who had been making conservative speeches, and giving good advice to his colored brethren, was arrested by the yanks and killed in the woods while on their way to camp. His only offence was that he did not support the radical party.

If things continue as they are the radicals will have it all their own way. The Convention will be composed of negroes and mean white men, all of whom would be benefitted by confiscation of the lands, and will pass resolutions in favor of it, and most of the members of Congress from the Southern States will be pledged to the same doctrine; but they will also be pledged to the doctrine of repudiation.

The people here look on universal suffrage as only another term for universal ruin.

The people generally are much pleased with the turn things are taking at the "White house," and hope that the President, assisted by Gen. U. S. Grant, may yet be able to save the country.

They generally are in favor of sending negroes to the Rump Congress, and will support the negro against the radical white man and thus get up a muss in the radical camp and divide the party.

The Radicals are setting a ball in motion which they cannot stop at pleasure. The agrarian policy which they have inaugurated will spread among the laboring masses in the North and West, and if Southern lands are confiscated Northern bonds will be repudiated, and they may go so far as to demand a devision of the lands of the aristocrats who grew rich while they were in the field.

The present state of affairs has produced a general stagnation in all kinds of business, and although there must now be more than $3,000,000 in Specie in the State, money has suddenly become very scarce.

Many merchants are selling off their stocks at auction for less than half their value, and all who have money are holding it, so that if it becomes necessary they can leave the country.

The Governor has been deposed by king Phil, and all the civil officers in the State who cannot take the "Iron-clad" will be removed. The pretext was, that he was an impediment to reconstruction; in what way we have not been able to learn—except that he refused to pardon a number of negroes who are now in the State Prison, and which the radicals wanted out to swell the number of *loyal voters.*

"MAGNOLIA."

P. S.—Since writing the above the news has reached us by telegraph, of the removal of the tyrant from the command of the 5th District. The people rejoice very much at this, and hope that General T. may put a stop to the outrages which are being committed all over the country by subordinate officers.

Sheridan will receive as many blessings as the famous "Spoon Thief" when he left New Orleans. "M."

The Number Seven.

This number is frequently used in the writings of the Bible:

On the 7th day God ended his work.
In the 7th month Noah's ark touched the ground.
In 7 days a dove was sent out.
Abraham pleaded 7 times for Sodom.
Jacob served 7 years for Rachel.
And yet other 7 more.
Jacob mourned 7 days for Joseph.
Jacob was pursued at 7 days' journey by Laban.
A plenty of 7 years and a famine of 7 years were foretold in Pharoah's dream by 7 fat and 7 lean beasts, and 7 ears of full and 7 ears of blasted corn.
On the 7th day of the 7th month the children of Israel fasted 7 days, and remained 7 days in tents.
Every 7 years the land rested.
Every 7th year all the bondmen were set free.
Every 7th year the law was read to the people.
In the destruction of Jericho, 7 priests bore 7 trumpets 7 days; on the 7th day they surrounded the walls 7 times; and at the end of the 7th round, the walls fell,
Solomon was 7 years building the temple, and feasted 7 days at its dedication.
In the tabernacle was 7 lamps.
The golden candlesticks had 7 branches.
Naaman washed 7 times in Jordan.
Job's friends sat with him 7 days and 7 nights, and offered 7 bullocks and 7 rams as an atonement.
Our Saviour spoke 7 times from the cross, on which he hung 7 hours, and after his resurrection appeared 7 times.
In the Lord's prayer are 7 petitions, containing 7 times 7 words.
In the Revelations we read of 7 churches, 7 candlesticks, 7 stars, 7 trumpets, 7 plagues, 7 thunders, 7 vials, 7 angels, and a 7 headed monster.

[For the Spectator.]

Social View of Texas.

Texas society is yet in its embrio or formative state. There are no clearly defined lines of distinction. Birth and blood are respected; wealth and intelligence, of course, have their influence; but none of these distinctions are exclusive. There is but one universally acknowledged *sine qua non* in their society; *i. e.*, good behavior. "Fastness" is not countenanced in either sex. During the war there was a temporary relaxation in this regard as far as the influence of military headquarters extended; but, even then, the tone of Texas society did not relax to the lamentably low standard of M——in one of our oldest Southern States. Now, however, there are few, if any, traces of military demoralization. At the close of the war, society rapidly re-asserted this demand for a reserved deportment between the sexes; and, to-day, its standard of social decorum is as rigid as that of any State in the Union.

There are positively no castes or clique in Texas society; until within a few years, Germans and Mexicans, Frenchmen and Americans mingled in all their manly sports and even in their public festivities. Church distinctions are here ignored, for two reasons. First, wordly pressure, against them all, forces them to make common cause, *vs.* a common enemy. Second, the wealth and intelligence of the State are so decidedly in the hands of those churches that are democratic; that any Church disposed to erect a claim of aristocracy, in its religion, would have to reckon without its host. The idea of propagating its creed, by segregating to itself the fashion and wealth of this world, and excluding from its society all who refuse to enter its communion, has not been as yet adopted by any Church in that State. All assumption of superiority to a Texan is vulgar; among christians, it is a scandal on religion. Hence the attempt to arrogate claims of aristocracy, by any Church, would be derided, among them, as a falsehood in fact and a selfish prostitution of religion to mere worldiy advantage.

In this regard all the churches have fair play. Men do not stop to decide whether their dignity can stand the discount (social) on certain denominational associations. Erasmus would have fallen into ignominy, among Texans, for his todyism; while Luther and John Knox would have risen, by their pluck and principle, to a social premiership. "Fair play," says Texas to the ecclesiastical dictator who would prescribe Church distinctions in social life; let shoddy have full benefit of all the finery and flourish which his lucky speculations can afford, in whatever Church he may prefer; and let no Church be required to assume the hazardous responsibility of guaranteeing respectability to all, whose sudden good fortune or ill-gotten gains have just rescued from the purlieus of infamy. This is the language of the "Genius loci" of Texas.

Will the rapid influx of emigration reverse this anti-aristocratic sentiment in society? We think not. Texas is as thoroughly Texan today as in the days of her independence. She will not exchange her free and easy manners for the measured routine of fashionable life.

The process of social assimilation is rapid and complete; impressing their local peculiarities upon all settlers with incredible rapidity. People from all the Southern States become, at once and enthusiastically, Texans. Even the Virginian, with all his inalienable devotion to the Mother State, soon catches the inspiration, and cheers the "Lone Star" standard, with a patriotism as pure and profound as that of a Houston or Lamar. All but the Yankees have yielded to this powerful tendency to social coalescence.

On the return of the Federal officers to San Antonio, Southern men extended the hand of social friendship to them; but their advances were soon checked by the insolence of the Federals. At a party given in that city, by Southerners, a certain Colonel Lee, (Federal), was understood to be the guest of the occasion. In response to a toast given in honor of the said Colonel, it was remarked that his name (Lee) was one that was dear to all who were present, and it was a source of unfeigned gratulation that a toast could now be offered, in which once discordant feelings might meet and mingle with the harmony of former years. At this friendly association of his name with that of General R. E. Lee, the Yankee Colonel became very indignant, and replied in a manner so coarse and insulting to General Lee's friends, that the toast was not drank; and, but for the presence of ladies, there would have been a personal rencontre. Under the restraints of the occasion, General Lee's friends could only express their disgust by withdrawing at once from the party, leaving Colonel Lee alone in his glory.

Let it not be inferred from anything that has been said that Texas society is in any essential feature inferior to that of the "States;" (as Texans still say, perhaps to preserve in their memory the halcyion days of her independence, when she foolishly coveted a place among the "States.") I doubt whether any city on this continent has a more refined, intelligent and charmingly affable society than that of Houston. All that culture of heart and head; all that travel, and familiarity with the habits of older society; all that surpassing native genius and abundant wealth can do to give zest and brilliance to society is there realized. I should like to individualize some of those circles, and pass them in review before you. But, with such a display, what I have said, by way of description, would flatten into common-place caricature; and, as the most charming figures in the groupe, both in point of genius and culture, are ladies, I may not be more personal or minute.

Of Galveston society, I know but little from inside experience. It is comparatively a new place, composed of elements never as yet fused into a definite mould. It is questionable whether such elements are fusible, for the four quarters of the globe seem to have been shaken totters of the globe and thrown by the men whom gether there. Judge [illegible] of the city, you meet on the strand or marts [illegible] you would expect to find, at their homes, a [illegible] high order of social life. But the fact is, that with all the requisite elements of good society, there is literally no social life in Galveston.—Social enjoyment is not definitely contemplated by the community. Men regard themselves as mere money-making machines, and everything must subserve that end. Liberal, however, and public spirited they, undoubtedly are, though, even in this respect, Houston invariably bears off the palm.

One feature of Galveston is full of promise for the future of society. It is pre-eminently a church-going community; and Sabbath-schools are well sustained. This is doubtless a better expression of the natural yearning for society than parties or even social gatherings; and, hence our criticisms on their social delinquencies must be accepted as a compliment to their piety.

Austin, doubtless, has its full share of good society; but it is distinguished in Texas as the stronghold of toryism during the war; and, of course, was rent and torn, socially, into atoms. Fortunately, however, the tories of Austin are made of far better stuff than the tories of other Southern States. Social reconciliation has, therefore, been comparatively easy at the capital of the State.

Texas has been regarded by some as a rendezvous for all the renegades of older States. I think it may more properly be regarded as a grand Turning Table on the highway to ruin.—It opens to the repentant culprit new and promising fields of hon