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Will practice in all the Courts of the counties of Alleghany, Bath and Highland, Va., and Pocahontas, W. Va. my 17-3m

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Will devote their whole time to the business of their profession.

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Will practice in all the Courts of Staunton, Va., and in the Circuit Courts of Rockbridge and Nelson. my 17-4f

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Special attention given to collecting. my 17-17

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part of Va., and West Virginia. (Sept 12-4f)

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SADDLES AND HARNESS.—If you want good work, go to G. E. HALL's shop, where you will find the best assortment of Carriage, Buggy and Riding whips, Saddles, Blankets and Trunks, Whips, Bits, &c.; Back Goggles (W. A. Chester and Lewisburg make), and, in fact, everything in his line of business.

Thanking his friends for past patronage he hopes to merit a continuance of the same.

REPAIRING done on short notice.

A good lot of old McClellan Saddles and Halters for sale cheap.

Store on Main street, 3 doors west of Augusta, next door to Woods & Gilkeson's hardware store. my 17-19

HARNESS AND SADDLES.—The undersigned, having opened a first-class harness shop, is prepared to manufacture harness of every description as good as it can be done. Will also keep on hand a good assortment of Carriage, Buggy and Riding whips, Saddles, Blankets and Trunks, Whips, Bits, &c.; Back Goggles (W. A. Chester and Lewisburg make), and, in fact, everything usually kept in a first-class shop. Don't forget to call at Gruber's New Building, immediately south of the Va. Hotel. my 17-19

LATEST NEWS—War Declared!

GENERAL Grant, or any other man, who wants SADDLES, BRIDLES, HARNESS—

new or second-hand—WHIPS, BITS, &c., must go to Ed. Hall's, where he will find the best assortment of the kind this side of New York, all of which can be bought cheap for cash.

ED. HALL, my 17-19

Wharf opposite Smith & Elder's law office.

Carriage Making.

CARRIAGES AND BUGGIES.—I wish to inform my friends that I have moved my carriage shop to the "CARRIAGE" Hotel, where I will keep on hand Carriages and Buggies of every description. My close attention to business and fair dealing will give entire satisfaction. I will pay strict attention to REPAIRING. Give me a call before purchasing. my 17-19

CARRIAGE-MAKING.—At the solicitation of many of my former patrons I have again taken charge of the following business in all its various branches, and I am determined that my work shall not be surpassed in finish, style, durability or price.

Special attention given to repairs. my 17-19

JOHN M. HARDY, Tailoring.

TAILORING! TAILORING!—The co-partnership heretofore existing between Graves & Sprinkle has been mutually dissolved and the business will hereafter be conducted by P. B. Graves alone.

He has reduced his prices for cash, and will do all kinds of work pertaining to the tailoring business in the very best manner, and at figures so low that no one will fail to be satisfied. He has removed his shop to the room formerly occupied by Dr. B. B. Donaghy as an office, and invites all his friends and the public generally to give him a call. my 17-19

P. B. GRAVES.

Insurance.

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Officers: W. C. CARRINGTON, President;

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This Company has met with a success beyond all parallel in Life Insurance, and offers to the Southern public a Home Enterprise equal to any other surpassed by none in the world.

Commenced active operations about Nov. 1st, 1867.

Assets 15th of Sept., 1869, \$1,000,000—now much increased.

Policies issued, 8,000.

It has paid for losses of \$3,000,000 and in every instance within the ninety days time and party at once.

It advises the payment of all cash premiums, because then dividends will continually decrease each next payment until nothing will be required, and the policy may be a source of income, but it will allow one-half loan on life and joint life policies. One-third loan on other participating policies.

It requires no notes for loans of the policy of premiums, but endorses the loan of its policies until absorbed by dividends or policy is payable.

It has no restriction on residence or travel.—All its policies are non-forfeitable and the right of parties guaranteed on the face of the policy, as part of the contract.

It has the following feature which no other company gives: The late war taught many the penalty of being separated from the Home office by having their part payment forfeited. "The Piedmont" guards against this in her policies and in event of separation from its office by any intervention guarantees to such all the right of non-forfeiture, paid up policy, surrender value and reinstatement as though there had been no intervening cause.

Its investments are made for benefit of Southern advancement.

It brings money to our people—keeps money with our people. Then why should they continue to impoverish themselves by sending money off which can as easily—as safely—as profitably be spent at home?

The Piedmont asks all who wish to insure to compare its rates—progress with any company, and feels confident its merits will equal any other company.

HOW OFTEN IS THE HOUSEHOLD LOAF BURIED WITH THE HOUSEHOLD HEAD, AND FAMILIES THAT MIGHT BE COMFORTABLY PROVIDED FOR, LEFT DESTITUTE BY THE WANT OF A PROPER FORESIGHT IN HIS DECEASED PROTECTOR?

The Virginia Insurance Company, STAUNTON, VIRGINIA.

Offers to every head of a family perfect security against this melancholy condition.

IT IS

FOR LIFE INSURANCE ONLY.

ITS CHARTER IS PERPETUAL.

Its Cash Capital, \$125,000.

It is organized on the basis of the old Mutual Life of New York, and its successful experience.

THE PREMIUMS ARE PAID IN CASH.

ITS DIVIDENDS ARE PAID IN CASH.

ITS POLICIES ARE PAID IN CASH WITHOUT DEDUCTIONS.

There are no premium notes, and hence its assets are all cash, which presents the only solid, substantial basis of business for individuals or corporations.

IT INSURES ON ALL PROPER, SAFE TABLES.

IT PUTS NO IMPROPER RESTRICTIONS ON TRAVEL.

IT INSURES UNIMPAIRED FEMALE LIVES.

The Company is a combination of the proprietary and mutual systems, securing the advantages of both.

Its Policies are non-forfeitable after two years, and incontestable after five years for all male statements and errors in application except as to the age of the applicant.

THIS IS A SUBSTANTIAL HOME COMPANY.

The Assets will be invested in Virginia, and help to build up our interests in Virginia. It commends itself for its safety, management and organization, to every Virginian and other Southerner in search of a safe Home Life Insurance Institution.

Live agents wanted in every precinct of every county in the State. Send for circulars.

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Address, PHILLIPS & MAYO, General Agents for Virginia and West Virginia, Lock Box 216, Staunton, Va.

Insurance.

LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

& MAIN STS., RICHMOND, VA.

Look at Exhibits:

From Official Reports is made the following Losses of other Companies compared with the Piedmont and Arlington:

Organization.

1848 Mutual Life..... 28872 396 154

1848 New York Life..... 6940 109 142

1847 Connecticut Mutual..... 56591 424 131

1848 Manhattan..... 192325 122 122

1854 Charter Oak..... 10928 37 239

1851 Massachusetts Mutual..... 10396 72 144

1851 Phoenix..... 17741 107 166

1858 North-western..... 78871 178 157

1858 Equitable..... 27695 185 150

1860 Washington..... 8865 43 207

1860 Home..... 19311 65 159

1862 North America..... 11328 78 145

1862 John Hancock..... 6018 23 106

1862 Atlantic..... 10934 39 122

1864 Widows and Orphans..... 9452 21 164

1864 National, N. Y..... 2093 13 161

1865 Hanseatic..... 2452 11 224

1868 Great Western..... 1472 5 293

1868 Atlantic Mutual..... 2715 15 178

1868 World..... 1293 9 158

1868 New Jersey Mutual..... 2941 19 142

1868 Travellers..... 1103 47 210

1868 Hartford..... 2044 16 163

1868 American Popular..... 3122 10 312

Average of all companies organized since 1850, one in 158.

Average of all companies organized prior to 1850, one in 145.

Average of all companies, one in 153.

Following Companies have no exhibit as to number of losses, but show amounts lost:

1868 "St. Louis Mutual," policies in force 1st of January, 1868..... \$55,839.46

Losses by Death, Policies and Reversionary Ad-justments paid..... \$65,839.46

Losses admitted and not yet due..... 85,600.00

Total Losses in 1868..... \$541,438.48

Piedmont and Arlington had 3,122 policies in force 1st January, 1868. Losses in 1868, \$42,000, and for present year, (1869) losses of Piedmont and Arlington is far under experience of general average of Companies above stated, all which show this company has lost less than any other.

Agents wanted everywhere.

FIRE INSURANCE effected at the lowest rates and on the most liberal terms, with the SOUTHERN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, VA.

CHARTERED BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF VA. Office N. E. Corner Main and Ninth STS., RICHMOND, VA.

This Company issues Participating Policies on Fire and City Property, by which the insured becomes a member of the Company, sharing in its profits. A semi-annual Dividend of three per cent. is payable to the Mutual Policy-holders of this Company, declared July 1, 1869; also, three per cent. January 1, 1870.

JORDAN H. MARTIN, Vice President.

H. S. PRICE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Dr. H. G. DAY, General Agent.

STATEMENT OF THE BUSINESS OF THE SOUTHERN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, VA., January 1st, 1870.

Number of Policies issued..... 2,483

Amount of Premiums received..... \$3,477,996.67

Amount of Premiums Notes deposited with the Company..... 153,861.89

Amount of cash premiums and fees received..... 75,126.36

Amount paid for Losses..... 46,310.95

Losses adjusted not due..... 2,025.00

Persons in town or country having property to insure will find it to their interest to call on me before insuring elsewhere, and learn the terms of this Home Company.

H. H. PECK, AGENT.

Office with Drs. Hanger & Fultz, 2 doors North of the Spectator office, Staunton, Va.

Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad.

ON and after WEDNESDAY, 2nd of February, 1870, the PASSENGER TRAINS will run as follows, viz:

NIGHT TRAIN will run daily between Richmond and Staunton (except Sunday, between Gordonsville and Staunton); leave Richmond at 8:35 A. M., and arrive at Staunton at 4:20 P. M.; leave Staunton at 9:30 A. M., and arrive at Richmond at 4:40 P. M., making close connections at Gordonsville and Charlottesville with the Orange, Alexandria & Manassas R.R. and New Building for Alexandria, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, &c.; also for Lynchburg, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Memphis, New Orleans, Montgomery, Mobile, &c.

MAIL TRAIN will run tri-weekly between Staunton and White Sulphur Springs; leave Staunton on THURSDAY and SATURDAY, leave White Sulphur Springs at 4:40 P. M., and arrive at Staunton at 8:30 A. M.; leave Staunton at 8:30 A. M., and arrive at White Sulphur Springs at 3:30 P. M., and arrive at Staunton at 8:30 A. M., and going West will connect with stages as follows:—At Goshen with stages for Lexington, Natural Bridge and Rockbridge Bats. At Millboro' with stages for Bath, Alum and Warm Springs, and at White Sulphur with stages for Lewisburg, Charleston, &c.

STAGES will also leave Staunton on TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY mornings for Lexington and Natural Bridge.

NIGHT PASSENGER TRAINS will run between Richmond and Washington nightly, without change of cars, leaving Richmond at 8:30 P. M., and arrive at Washington at 6:30 A. M.; leave Washington at 6:30 P. M., and arrive at Richmond at 3:30 A. M., making all through connections at Richmond and Washington.

STAGE COACHES will be attached to this train, and will run through between Richmond and Baltimore without change.

THROUGH TICKETS issued at all points North, West and Southwest.

JAMES F. NETHERLAND, General Ticket Agent.

Mattresses, &c.

Mattresses, Made at the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, Hair Mattresses, Moss and Shuck Mattresses, Hair Mats, all sizes, Corn Brooms.

Old Mattresses renovated, Old Chairs filled with new cane seats. Books bound in plain binding.

Articles to be repaired will be called for at private residences, and returned when finished.

All orders for work should be made through the Steward, or Foreman of the Shop to the Principal, and will be attended to.

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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.

BY MRS. M. L. GADY.

A wintry night. The wind moans at my door,

But, from the grate, the ruddy firelight glow-

ing. Upon my lowly walls and cottage floor

A charm is throwing.

And I, meanwhile reclining in its beams,

And bannering banners in bold defiance,

And broad domains all merged within the fire

In apt applause.

I watch the fire flames as they towering blaze

And send themselves to many a quietude,

Such as my fancy wrought in other days

When joy was real.

Proud places with gilded dome and spire,

And domes and towers in bold defiance,

And broad domains all merged within the fire

In apt applause.

The placid summer sky that beads above

Proclaims softly down its amber beams in show-

ers the age provided for the future.

To add perfection to this scene of love

And glad the hours.

Within those stately halls a happy throng

And, and the ripple of a song

That floated after.

And lo! what strains of olden memories rise

As the faint echo of those tones come stealing

How sweet the touch of heaven's upward to the

eyes

Ah, days of youth, and song of long ago,

Why hasten my heart to night with such strange

sweetness?

It is to mock me with your loss, and show

Back to your realm! I would in now recall