Staunton Spectator.

SIC SEMPER TYRANNIS

VOLUME XLVIII. STAUNTON, VA., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1870. NUMBER IX.

Staunton Spectator.

PUBLISHED EVERY TUESDAY MORNING BY

Richard Mauzy & Co.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

For 1 yr. $3 in currency or equivalent in specie.
For 6 mo. 1.50 " " " "
For 3 mo. 85 " " " "

Read This!

☞ To any one who will send us *two new subscribers* and *six* dollars, we will send the *Spectator* for one year GRATIS.

To such as may send us FIVE or more advance-paying subscribers, we will allow a commission of 25 per cent. on the subscriptions obtained, which may be retained by the persons sending them.

☞ Subscriptions will not be discontinued, except at the option of the Editor, till all arrearages be paid.

ADVERTISING RATES.

ADVERTISEMENTS will be inserted at the rate of One Dollar per Square of Eight Lines or less, for the first and 50 cents for each subsequent insertion. Unless the number of insertions be marked upon the manuscript it will be published until forbid and charged accordingly.

☞ *Obituaries, Announcements of Candidates for Office, Communications calling upon, Advocating or Opposing Candidates, and all Communications or Notices of a Personal or Private character, or intended or calculated to promote any Private Enterprise or Interest, will be charged for as advertisements.*

SPECIAL NOTICES will be inserted at double the advertising rates.

☞ Address—"Staunton Spectator," Staunton, Augusta County, Va.

Professional Directory.

AMUEL C. BASKIN,
ACCOUNTANT AND *BOOK-KEEPER,*
☞ OFFICE OVER FIRST NATIONAL BANK. ☜
oc11-tf

DR. S. H. HENKEL, *DENTIST,*
Staunton, Va., (formerly of New Market, Va.)
Graduate Baltimore Dental College.
OFFICE:—On Bruce's corner, up stairs. ENTRANCE—On Augusta street, 3 doors North of Main.
☞ Satisfaction guaranteed in all cases. ☜
sept20-1y*

DR. B. P. REESE offers his professional services to the public. He will continue to give his special attention to the treatment of "diseases peculiar to females." Arrangement has been made that patients can procure board at twenty-five dollars per month.
Office on Augusta street, second door above Spectator building, and diagonally opposite the drug store of Dr. B. P. Reese & Co.
Office hours from 8 to 12 o'clock, A. M., and 2 to 6 o'clock, P. M. At night he can be found at his residence opposite the old market house.
sep20-6m—Town papers copy

GEORGE M. HARRISON,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
STAUNTON, VA.,
will practice in all the Courts holden in Augusta county, and in the Circuit Courts of the adjoining Counties.
☞ *Strict attention given to the collection of Claims.*
Office—East of Court-house, over Court of Appeals Room. aug2-1y

S. TRAVERS PHILLIPS. J. FRED. EFFINGER.
PHILLIPS & EFFINGER,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
STAUNTON, VA.,
will practice in all the courts of Augusta and Alleghany, and in the Circuit Courts of Rockingham, Rockbridge and Nelson.
☞ Special attention given to collecting.
july5-1y

H. M. MATHEWS. ALEX. F. MATHEWS.
MATHEWS & MATHEWS,
ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,
LEWISBURG, WEST VA.,
Practice regularly in the Courts of Greenbrier, Monroe, Pocahontas and Nicholas counties, W. Va, the Court of Appeals, and the Federal Courts for the District of W. Va.
☞ Particular attention paid to Collections and to special cases anywhere in their State.
may17—1y

J. M. HANGER, M. D. J. H. FULTZ, M. D.
DRS. HANGER & FULTZ having formed a co-partnership in the practice of medicine, offer their professional services to the citizens of Staunton and vicinity. When not professionally engaged they will be found at their office on Augusta street, two doors North of the Spectator office. nov2—tf

JOHN B. BALDWIN. GEO. M. COCHRAN, JR.
BALDWIN & COCHRAN,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
STAUNTON, VA.,
Will practice in all the Courts holden in Augusta county. jan4—tf

DR. JAMES JOHNSTON,
DENTIST,
MAIN STREET, Staunton, Va.
OFFICE:—Over Cease's Confectionery Store.
dec21—tf

Foundries.

PRICE OF PLOWS REDUCED.—I have this day reduced the price of the genuine Bradley Livingston Plows, and will now sell them as follows:

No. 4 (2 horse) Plow at $7.50.
" 5 (medium 3 horse) " " $8.50.
" 6 (large 3 horse) " " $9.50.

These plows, together with the castings suitable, all of the very best quality, will be found constantly on hand, at the Hardware Store of Geo. E. Price, Staunton, Va., and at the foundry near Steele's Tavern.
H. F. LYLE,
aug16-3m Manufacturer.

BURKE'S IRON WORKS,
STAUNTON, VA.
WM. A. BURKE,.....Proprietor,
NOTICE—Persons having Threshing Machines, Reapers, Mowers, Drills, &c., needing repairs, can have them done in the very best style and workmanship, at Burke's Iron Works at short notice. I keep constantly on hand repairs for all the leading machines in the country at manufacturer's prices. I have a supply of sections for the following machines:
Buckeye Reaper and Mower,
McCormick " " "
Wood " " "
Union " " "
also all the repairs for
Pitts and Sweepstakes' Threshing Machines,
and
Bickford and Huffman's Grain and Guano Drill.
TERMS CASH. W. A. BURKE.
☞ I am still putting up the best LIVINGSTON PLOWS made in the State.
june 16—tf WM. A. BURKE.

New York Advertisements.

COMFORT and Cure for the Rupture.—Sent post paid on receipt of ten cents. Address Dr. E B. FOOTE (Author of Medical Common Sense), No. 120 Lexington Avenue, New York. mar15—6m*

AWAY with Spectacles.—Old eyes made new easily, without doctor or medicines.—Sent post paid on receipt of 10 cents. Address Dr. E. B. FOOTE, 120 Lexington Avenue, New York. mar15 6m*

Saddles, Harness, &c.

SADDLES AND HARNESS.—If you want good work, go to GEO. F. ELICK'S where you will find the best assortment this side of Baltimore, which he will sell cheap for cash. Saddles and Harness of all kinds—old and new; Trunks, Whips, Bits, &c.; Buck Gloves, (Winchester 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.
Also, a good lot of old McClellan Saddles and Halters for sale cheap.
Store on Main street, 3 doors west of Augusta, nextdoor to Woods & Gilkeson's hardware store.
ap19

Elias' Transparent Cement, for mending China, Glass, Marble, Alabaster, Terra Cotta, Wood, Leather, Ivory, &c., &c., sold by
F. H. LINK, Druggist.

Insurance.

PIEDMONT AND ARLINGTON LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

HOME OFFICE, CORNER NINTH & MAIN STS., RICHMOND, VA.

Officers: W. C. CARRINGTON, President; JOHN E. EDWARDS, Vice President; D. J. HARTSOOK, Secretary; J. J. HOPKINS, Assistant Secretary; B. C. HARTSOOK, Cashier; Prof. E. B. SMITH, Actuary; D. P. FACKLER, Consulting Actuary; Drs. C. H. PERROW, C. H. SMITH, GEORGE ROSS, Medical Advisers; JAMES E. WOLFF, Superintendent of Agencies.

Directors:—Wm. B. Isaacs, D. J. Hartsook, W. G Taylor, R. H. Maury, J. J. Hopkins, A. Y. Stokes, John Enders, John E. Edwards, C. H. Perrow, W. C. Carrington, Wm. H. Palmer, John C. Williams, George S. Palmer.

CARTER BERKELEY, Staunton,
GENERAL AGENT for the Valley and Piedmont.
JAMES KER, Agent, Staunton.

JOHN F. BALTHIS, Capt. N. FOUNTAIN, R. N. NELSON, Rev. A. POE BOUDE, JOHN PILSON, JOB G. MCVEIGH, CHAS WITHROW, SOLICITORS.

DIVIDEND paid policy-holders, 1st April, 1869, *forty per cent.*

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 and surpassed by none in existence.

Commenced active operations about Nov. 1st, 1867.

Assets 15th of Sept., 1869, $1,500,000—now much increased.

Policies issued, 8,000.

It has paid for losses of $31,000 and in every instance waived the ninety days time and paid 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 part 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—terms—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 have been comfortably provided for, left destitute by the want of a proper foresight in its 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 incontestible after five years for all misstatements 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 own 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.

REFER TO THE FOLLOWING CITIZENS WHO HAVE INSURED IN THIS COMPANY.

A. F. Ackerman,	H. Ker,
E. W. Bayly,	James Ker,
H. M. Bell,	Mrs. C. M. Kelley,
John A. Bickle,	Dr. W. S. McChesney,
H. R. Boykin,	W. J. Nelson,
Orris A. Brown,	H. L. Opie,
W. A. Burke,	J. N. Opie,
R. L. Cleveland,	W. L. Olivier,
Dr. B. B. Donaghe,	C. W. Parker,
James Fagan,	B. F. Points,
S. N. Giles,	W. R. Pointdexer,
Mrs. Julia Gorman,	R. T. Phillips,
A. A. Grubert,	E. H. Sears,
C. W. Hunter,	James E. Taylor,
C. A. Bolt,	W. H. Tams,
Wm. T. Jewell,	D. S. Williams,

Charles E. Young.

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

Insurance.

LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Look at Exhibits:

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

Organized.	COMPANY.	No. Policies Dec. 31, 1868.	No. Deaths in 1868.	One in every
1843	Mutual Life	60872	396	154
1845	New York Life	28340	199	142
1847	Connecticut Mutual	55691	424	131
1850	Manhattan	13625	112	122
1850	Charter Oak	19028	137	139
1851	Massachusetts Mutual	10396	72	144
1851	Phœnix	17761	107	166
1858	Northwestern	27887	178	157
1859	Equitable	27666	185	150
1860	Washington	8885	43	207
1860	Home	10311	65	159
1862	North America	11328	78	145
1862	John Hancock	5018	26	193
1862	Security	10603	64	166
1864	Widows and Orphans	3452	21	164
1864	National, N. Y.	2093	13	161
1865	Universal	3832	20	192
1865	Hahneman	2452	11	223
1686	Great Western	1472	5	294
1866	Atlantic Mutual	2675	15	178
1866	World	1423	9	158
1866	New Jersey Mutual	2691	19	142
1866	Travellers'	3568	17	210
1866	Hartford Life & Annuity	1105	1	105
1866	American Popular	2604	16	163
1867	Piedmont & Arlington	3122	10	312

Average of all companies organized since 1859, one in 188.

Average of all companies organized prior to 1860, 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, 10,056.
Losses by Death, Policies and Reversionary Additions.....$455,838.46
Losses admitted and not yet due..... 85,600.00
Total Losses in 1868 .....$541,438.46

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.
jan4—1y

Richmond Advertisements.

CHARLES L. TODD—GROCER AND **Commission Merchant,**
RICHMOND, VA.
Consignments of Flour, Grain and Produce solicited, and liberal advances made on same by
J. W. TODD & CO.,
july26 Burwell corner, Staunton.

J. J. WAGGONER. WM. G. HARVEY.
WAGGONER & HARVEY,
WHOLESALE GROCERS
AND
Commission Merchants,
No. 3 Pearl Block, Fourteenth street,
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.
Strict personal attention given to the sale of COTTON, TOBACCO, GRAIN and COUNTRY PRODUCE. Grain Bags furnished at five cents for fifteen days. Commissions for selling grain 2½ per cent. aug9-tf

P. E. WILSON,
General Commission Merchant,
12th street, third door South of Cary, (in Corn and Flour Exchange Block) Richmond, Va., Will sell *Tobacco, Hay and Flour* at 2½ per cent; all other produce at 5 per cent., and in all cases make prompt returns. *Liberal Advances made* on all consignments when desired. Grain Bags furnished free of charge.
T. GRAHAM WILSON of Rockbridge county is with me, and would be pleased to receive the patronage of his friends. jan25—1y

Millinery.

MRS. M. E. FAGAN & SISTER have now opened their complete stock of Millinery and Fancy Goods. Also the greatest variety of Chignons, Curls, &c., for the hair. They have a handsome selection of Sash Ribbons, Neck Ties, Lace Collars, Jet and White Wax Necklaces, Corsets, all the varieties of French Hats—the Dauntless, the Rhine, the King William, Arab, Nile, St. Clair and many others—all of which are becoming and pretty, and which they offer very cheap for cash, and pledge themselves to give entire satisfaction.
oc25-3t

TEMPLE OF FASHION.—I have returned and am now opening one of the largest and best Stocks of Millinery and Fancy Goods I have ever brought to this market, consisting of all the latest French and German novelties. Orders from the country promptly attended to.
MRS. K. M. KELLY.

Mattresses, &c.

NOTICE.—Made at the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind,
Hair Mattresses,
Moss and Shuck Mattresses,
Coir 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. feb8—1y

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. Donaghe as an office, and invites all his friends and the public generally to give him a call.
y 30 P. B. GRAVES

STAUNTON NURSERIES:
Staunton, Augusta County, Va.
TANNEHILL & WHEAT, Proprietors.
FOR SALE.
STRAWBERRY PLANTS:
Agriculturist, Wilson's Albany,
Russell's Prolific, Chs. Downing,
Green Prolific, Downer's Prolific.
RASPBERRY PLANTS:
Philadelphia, Clarke, Mammoth Cluster.
EVERGREENS.
☞ Call and supply yourselves.
ap19—tf

Groceries and Produce.

GREAT BARGAINS.—The subscribers having opened a new store room on Augusta street, opposite the Court-house, next door to Hendry Brothers, (on site of Col. Geo. Baylor's law office) have opened an entirely new stock of GOODS, and offer a full STOCK OF GROCERIES:
Sugar, Coffee, fine Teas, Syrups, Vinegar, &c. Leather of all kinds, such as French and Country Calf Skins, Kip Skins, Sole Leather, &c.
A general assortment of Domestic Goods, such as Prints, Jeans, Casinets, Fulled Cloth, Cotton Yarns, and a variety of other Dry Goods.
Also Glassware, Woodenware, Brooms, &c., which we offer at a small advance on cost, *for cash only.*
Flour, Bacon and Meal constantly on hand.
We respectfully solicit a call from our friends and acquaintances.
oc25-tf N. A. BAYLOR & CO.

FACTORY CLOTH.—That very superior Factory Cloth of Winchester make, which has given such satisfaction to our customers, to be had very cheap, at
oct25-tf BAKER BROS.

JUST RECEIVED—Fresh Crackers of all kinds, at the "new store on the wharf.
R. D. SEARS, agent.

CHICKENS, Chickens, always on hand at the new store on the wharf.
R. D. SEARS, agent.

A NO. 1 CIDER by the gallon only, for sale by R. D. SEARS, Agent.

JOHN O. TAYLOR,
Grocer and Commission Merchant,
Main, near Augusta street, Staunton, Va., offers to the trade a large assortment of Groceries, Provisions, &c., at the lowest figures.
Cash paid for all kinds of produce, and liberal advances made on consignments.
oc4-3m

J. S. GILLIAM & CO., next door below the Post-office, keep constantly on hand a large stock of choice Groceries; also Salt and Plaster, and 600 gallons prime stoneware, all of which we will sell very cheap.
sep27

NEW GROCERY STORE.—J. W Utley & Co., dealers in Choice Family Groceries, Bagby's new building, Frederick street, Staunton, Va., respectfully inform their friends and the public that they have in store a choice stock of sugars, coffees, teas, bacon, lard, soap, candles, fish, salt, molasses, tobacco, plaster, brooms, buckets, shoes, &c., and, in fact, everything usually found in a first-class grocery store.
Cash paid for country produce, or goods given in exchange at market prices. They are prepared to supply families with anything in the grocery line at very low prices for cash.
sep6

H. KER & BRO., Augusta street, opposite the P. O., have for sale
SUGARS,
COFFEES,
TEAS, &c.
No. 1 Hams, family sizes, breast bacon, Wood's Family Roe Herring, nice new mackarel, N. C. cut Herring, buckets, brooms, tubs and all kinds of wooden ware, 500 *earthen crocks*, white bolted meal, flour, oats and offal.
☞ Bring your greenbacks, and get cheap goods and good goods. au30

FLOUR, GRAIN *AND FEED.*
Always in store, choice FLOUR for Family use. CORN MEAL and FEED of all kinds at the lowest wholesale and retail prices.
BUTCHER & LEWIS,
next door above the Postoffice, Staunton.
july19-12m

CHARLES N. COLE,
(late of Winchester, Virginia,)
DEALER IN
Country Produce, Flour, &c.,
426 NINTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
Solicits consignments, guaranteeing quick returns and moderate commissions.
References—The business men of Winchester and adjacent counties.
au23-3m

POWERS & PRITCHARD,
Augusta street, Staunton, Va.,
Grocers, Flour, Grain and Produce *MERCHANTS.*
ON HAND—4,000 pounds Bacon, White and Brown Sugars, Green and Black Teas, Market, Herrings, &c., &c.
july19-6m

FINE TEAS.—We have very superior teas, at reasonable prices—English Breakfast Tea—a prime article. All qualities of Teas at
ju7 RICHARDSON & WHEAT.

NEW SUPPLY OF GROCERIES at
GEO. C. JACKSON'S NEW STORE,
on Augusta Street, opposite C. H. Square.
Coffees, Teas, Sugars, Syrups, Bacon, Fish, (Herrings and Mackerel fresh and nice) and ALL articles usually kept in a first class FAMILY GROCERY.
These goods having been bought exclusively for cash can be sold *very low.* Everybody call and see. ap12

P. B. HOGE & BRO.,
(successors to Hoge & Mason,)
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in
Groceries, Produce and Fertilizers.
Highest market price in CASH paid for FLOUR, WHEAT, RYE, OATS, CORN, &c.
aug4—

Carriage Making.

CARRIAGES AND BUGGIES.—I wish to inform my friends that I have moved my CARRIAGE SHOP to my new building near the "Virginia" Hotel, where I will keep on hand Carriages and Buggies of every description. By close attention to business and fair dealing, I expect to give entire satisfaction. I will pay strict attention to REPAIRING. Give me a call before purchasing.
jan 15 J. H. WATERS.

CARRIAGE-MAKING.—At the solicitation of many of my former patrons I have again taken charge at my old stand, where I will carry on the CARRIAGE-MAKING 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.
an4—tf JOHN M. HARDY.

PREPARE FOR WINTER.—THIS IS THE SEASON TO HAVE FURNACES, FIRE-PLACE HEATERS & OTHER STOVES made ready for winter.
W. J. POINTS, on the Wharf near the Depot, is prepared to receive your orders and execute them promptly, and at very low prices:
ROOFING and GUTTERING Houses done of the best tin and at low prices.
COOKING STOVES of all kinds for sale cheap, and warranted. se20-3m

Pay Up!

JULY 1st, 1870.—My accounts will be ready in a day or two, and I hope my friends will feel the importance of a prompt settlement. Old accounts in all cases must be settled before new ones are made. DAVIS A. KAYSER.

SPECIAL—EXTRA—Our ACCOUNTS are drawn off to the 1st of July. Persons knowing their indebtedness will please call and settle, or they may expect to be refused further favors. We must have money to carry on our business.
ju5 CONE & HANGER.

AMERICAN HOTEL
Livery Stables,
STAUNTON, VA.,
DONOVAN & O'TOOLE,.....Proprietors.
Our stables are constantly supplied with elegant horses, carriages, buggies, hacks, &c., which will be furnished to our patrons on most reasonable terms. Also good and reliable drivers supplied if desired. We can furnish livery equal, if not superior, to that of any other stable in the State. Give us a trial and we guarantee satisfaction.
DONOVAN & O'TOOLE.

☞ 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.

For the Spectator.

The Aurora Borealis.

Mysterious visitants! with stately pace
Wheeling your march around the eternal pole,
Making strange discord in the peaceful hymn,
Which through the silence of the night hours dim
The banded orbs in their serene control
Pour through the echoing vaults of boundless space!

Like flaming brands athwart the crystal sky
Your crimson banners with terrific light,
The blood red spears, and swords from conquest bright,
Flash with the din of armies fierce from war,
Till with affright each sweet harmonious star
Swoons at the awful pageant passing by.

Fair Lyra's trembling hand the golden strings
Sweeps all in vain their wonted melody
Dies in the air in one expiring wail;
And white-winged Cygness—than at death more pale—
Husheth his song—then chanted clear and free—
While their in disonance your music rings.

With anxious brow, bold Cephus mindful still
Of the lost glory of his beauteous bride,
Matches your glorious banners flaunting wide,
Lest from her treasurs yet another gem
Your horde barbaric, who his throne o'erwhelm,
Snatch the wild splendor of your arms to fill.

And Droco, vigilant as e're of yore
Guards the bright pole-star from your vengeful ire
His glittering scales reflecting far and wide
The irredescence of your darts of pride,
Harmless they fall, not all your shafts of fire
Him conquer, or that wonderous world expose.

Yet while I gaze your strife and discord cease
Ye furious hosts to white-robed angels changed
With palms of glory, as in palace halls
Of Heaven's eternal courts, where never falls
Sound save of love and joy, and ye arrange
Your martial clangor to such hymns of peace.

Whence and what are ye? still again we ask
Pointing to secrets sicence high hath solved
And boldly reaching up to scale to skies
"Not this on man—presumptuous man—devolved,
Bide thou the 'time' each star ray week replies
Leave for the life to come the mighty task."

***

For the Spectator.

EMORY, VA., Nov. 5th, 1870.

MR EDITOR:—We, the Students and Faculty of this College, have organized a Memorial Association for the purpose of taking care of the graves of the Confederate Soldiers here interred. At our usual meeting, held a few days since for the election of officers for the subsequent term, on motion of Prof. Jas. A. Davis, it was

Resolved, 1st, That we inquire into the expediency of erecting a monument to their memory.

Resolved 2nd, That each member be empowered to solicit contributions in this vicinity and elsewhere, and forward the same to the Treasurer of said Association.

We have expended a considerable amount of labor and money in putting the graves in a condition becoming a christian community, and our treasury is exhausted. Will not the friends and patriots of the sunny South contribute something to consummate an end so noble in the eyes of men and especially so in the sight of God? Ah! the citizens of this glorious old Commonwealth foster in their hearts too vivid a recollection of the past; they hold in too great a reverence the names of those who fell on the bloody plains of Manassas, Gettysburg and Chancellorsville, battling for their trespassed rights and country's honor, to even hesitate in granting this little request as a testimony of their gratitude.

When the whole State was overrun by an overwhelming force of the enemy, and with fire and sword they ruthlessly spread devastation on all sides; when it seemed as if the lurid lightnings of the great Jehovah had burst asunder from their sombre hiding places, prognosticating immediate destruction to every creature—like the little Spartan band at Thermopylae—the proud sons of Virginia were seen staunch, choosing rather to perish than forsake the posts which the voice of their common country had assigned them.

Never did brighter jewels adorn the pages of history, and although the casket in which they were contained is now broken, yet in no wise does it detract from their lustre and magnificence, but only adds more glory and celebrity to their former fame to know that they were crushed in the cause of liberty and humanity.

Do we not owe such worthies some tribute of respect? I know the unanimous response of the multitude. Forbid it God! that Virginia should be remiss in her duty—that she now in in her greatest prosperity should pluck one gem from the coronet of her future greatness. Our fathers, now sleeping placidly beneath the cold and weltering sod, still moist from the breath of the two contending armies, would cry out with indignation to think they were so soon forgotten. I will refrain, for fear that while I depict, I may do injustice to their illustrious deeds; but permit me to ask you to remember that the civilization of a nation is judged by the care it takes of its dead. I hope the age of commemoration is at hand. Now let us demonstrate our gratitude—not by vaunting words, but by stretching forth the strong arm of prosperity and plenty, and erect a suitable monument to celebrate their heroic actions

Any contributions will be kindly and thankfully received, and properly expended.

Yours, very truly,
S. S H.

N. B.—Papers duly appreciating our design, will please copy.

Private Letter from General Lee.

The original of the following private letter from Gen. Lee to his son, was found at Arlington House, during the late war. It is interesting as illustrating a phase in his character:

ARLINGTON HOUSE, April 5th, 1852.

My Dear Son:—I am just in the act of leaving home for New Mexico. My old regiment has been ordered to that distant region, and I must hasten to see that they are properly taken care of. I have but little to add in reply to your letters of March 26. 27 and 28 Your letters breathe a spirit of frankness; they have given myself and your mother great pleasure. You must study to be frank with the world; frankness is the child of honesty and courage. Say what you mean to do on every occasion, and take it for granted you do right. If a friend asks a favor, you should grant it, if it is possible, if not tell him plainly why you cannot; you will wrong him and wrong yourself by equivocation of any kind. Never do a wrong thing to make a friend or keep one; the man who requires you to do so, is dearly purchased at such a sacrifice. Deal kindly, but firmly, with your classmates, you will find it the policy which wears best. Above all do not appear to others what you are not. If you have any fault to find with any one, tell him, not others, of what you complain; there is no more dangerous experiment than that of undertaking to be one thing before a man's face and another behind his back. We should live, act and say nothing to the injury of any one. It is not only best as a matter of principle, but it is the path of peace and honor.

In regard to duty, let me, in conclusion of this hasty letter, inform you that nearly a hundred years ago there was a day of remarkable gloom and darkness—still known as the dark day—a day when the light of the sun was slowly extinguished as if by an eclipse. The Legislature of Connecticut was in session, and as its members saw the unexpected and unaccountable darkness coming on, they shared in the general awe and terror. It was supposed by many that the last day—the day of judgment—had come. Some one, in the consternation of the hour, moved an adjournment.—Then there arose an old Puritan legislator, Davenport, of Stamford, and said, that if the last day had come, he desired to be found at his place doing his duty, and therefore moved that candles be brought in so that the house could proceed with its duty. There was quietness in that man's mind, the quietness of heavenly wisdom to obey present duty Duty, then, is the sublimest word in our language.—Do your duty in all things like the old Puritan You cannot do more Never let me and your mother wear one grey hair for any lack of duty on your part.

R. E. LEE.

G. W. CUSTIS LEE.

Rules of Table Etiquette.

True politeness has its origin in Christian charity and kindness, and all standard rules of etiquette were founded for the greater convenience and happiness of the members of society. Although the reasons may not be obvious at first sight, they exist and will be apparent on careful consideration.

1st. Do not keep others waiting for you either at the beginning or close of the meal.

2d Do not sip soup from the tip, but from the side of the spoon.

3rd. Be careful not to drop or spill anything on the table-cloth.

4th. Keep your plate neat; do not heap all sorts of food on it at once.

5th. In passing your plate to be rehelped, retain the knife and fork.

6th When asked for a dish do not shove, but hand it.

7th. While drinking do not look around.

8th. Instruct the servant to hand the cup at the left side so that it may be received by the right hand.

8th. Do not drink your tea or coffee without first removing the teaspoon from the cup to the saucer.

10th. Use the knife for cutting only; never put it to the lips nor in the mouth.

11th. Break your bread into small pieces and rest them on your plate while spreading.

12th. Do not eat too fast; besides giving one the appearance of greed, it is not healthy.

13th. If you find any thing unpleasant in your food put it aside as quietly as possible without drawing the attention of others to it.

14th. Do not open the lips nor make any unnecessary noise in chewing.

15th. Do not touch the head.

16th. Do not rest the elbow on the table.

17th. Do not speak with the mouth full.

18th. Brush the table neatly before bringing on the dessert.

19th. Be thoughtful and attentive to the wants of those about you.

20th. Converse on pleasant subjects with those sitting near you.

21st. Do not say anything not intended for all present to hear.

22d. Leave your plate with the knife and fork lying parallel, the handles pointing to the right.

23d. Never leave the table before others without asking the lady or gentleman who presides, to excuse you.

"How's That for High?"

Brick Pomeroy, in his *Democrat*, thus explains the paternity of the above popular interrogation. In answer to a correspondent, Pomeroy says.

Henry Ward Beecher is the author of the sentence, which has become so popular. At the time of the Cleveland Convention, in 1864, when John Cochran was by certain disaffected Republicans nominated for the Presidency, Henry Ward Beecher, the author of the phrase, "It's most d——d hot," was at the Spaulding House, Binghampton, New York. While there waiting for the train to bear him west, he became acquainted with a few gentlemen, among them a conductor of the Erie Railroad, named C. O. Graves, who was a strong Republican, a great admirer of Beecher, and a member of the same church.

To while away the time before the train which was to bear them westward should arrive, it was deemed best to seek a little quiet amusement in a private parlor, by indulging in the popular game of "seven up," or "old sledge."

To this game Mr. Beecher made no objections, stating that he played all such games as checkers, back-gammon, chess, euchre, whist, etc., etc., at home with his family, and that he considered it no harm to seek such amusement when traveling, or even to carry with him a pack of cards or a box of chessmen, as he generally did.

Graves and Beecher were partners, the party playing for the lemonade. On a four-handed game Graves and Beecher were stuck, and "awed" to see who should pay for the lemonade. They played a single game to decide the matter. At last it stood, Beecher six, and Graves five, with his deal. By accident or design Graves turned the jack of hearts, which put him six: It was then a question who had the highest card to go out. Beecher looked at his hand, found nothing in there of note, and he laid down the deuce on the table with the remark:

"I give you your Jack; that puts us six apiece Here is the deuce; how's that for high?"

The remark was so original, and the joke so good, that everybody laughed, and Graves ordered in the beverages. The story was told first to one conducior and then to another along the road, and, at last ran over the country, till now nearly every one uses that as a slang phrase which has become as popular as "You bet," Red hot," or "Shoo fly."

"*Barney.*"—I received the rat tarrier yu sent me by the Merchants Union Express, last evening, and gave him a quart of milk for hiz tea

He pocketed the milk, and wagged for sum more; it made him stick out like a false cuff.

He slept sound last night, and hasn't waked up yet, altho it iz now 10 o'clock this morning.

I have stopped writing tew tickle his noze with a pin, and he is now rushing things around the room for sum rats.

He haz just tipped over a Chincze god worth 8 dollars, and broke him, he will get rats when mi wife cums in.

He kant find enny rats, and is now chawing oph mi little boys toe—to his shoe.

He iz now crazy for rats agin, and will smash the other vase agin i'll bet.

Thar goes the other vase, bi thunder! and tew powder.

He iz now out ov his mind, and iz running his tung out and in.

He wants tew go out ov doors for sumthing, and I have let him went.

He haz just found a poor little boy in the street, whom he knows and the boy seems ter know him, and they have gone round the next block, on a run, together; tew see sumthing.

He dont seem ter cum back.

It iz now to-morrow, and the tarrier dont seem tew cum back.

My wife iz glad ov it.

I am out 2 vases, a quart ov nu milk, and a terrier.

My wife sez, if I ever buy another pup, she will put him tew immediate soak in the cistern at onst.

My wife iz one ov them kind of wimmin that dont make enny statements unless they are true, so you needn't send enny more terrier.

"Madam," the lawyer demanded, "what sort of conduct have you pursued through life that should subject you to the suspicion of this outrage upon the plaintiff?" She answered: Impudence, which has been the making of you, has caused my ruin!"

The Sword of Lee.

BY REV. A. J. RYAN.

Forth from its scabbard, pure and bright,
Flashed the sword of Lee
Far in the front of deadly fight,
High o'er the brave in the cause of right,
Its stainless sheen, like a beacon light,
Led us to victory.

Out of its scabbard, where full long
It slumbered, peacefully—
Roused from its rest by the battle song,
Shielding the feeble, smiting the strong,
Guarding the right, avenging the wrong—
Gleamed the sword of Lee!

Forth from its scabbard, high in air,
Beneath Virginia's sky—
And they who saw it gleaming there
And knew who bore it, knelt to swear
That where that sword led, they would dare
To follow and to die.

Out of its scabbard, never hand
Waved sword from stain as free,
Nor purer sword led braver band,
Nor braver bled for a brighter land,
Nor brighter land had a cause as grand,
Nor cause a chief like Lee!

Moral and Religious.

SPEAK KINDLY TO HIM.—A farmer once saved a very poor boy from drowning. After his restoration he said to him:

"What can I do for you, my boy?"

"Speak a kind word to me sometimes," replied the boy, as the tears started from his eyes. "I ain't got a mother like some of them."

A kind word! Think of it. That farmer had it in his power to give that boy money, clothes, and play things, but the poor little fellow craved nothing so much as a kind word now and then. If the farmer had ever so little heart the boy must certainly have had his wish granted.

A kind word! You have many such spoken to you daily, and you dont think much of their value; but that poor boy in your village, at whom everybody laughs, would think he had found a treasure if some one would speak one kind word to him. Suppose *you* speak it. The next time you meet him, instead of laughing at him, speak kindly to