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july5-1y

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may17-1y

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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

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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.
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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:
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☞ I am still putting up the best LIVINGSTON PLOWS made in the State.
june 16—tf WM. A. BURKE.

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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, next door to Woods & Gilkeson's hardware store.
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Elias' Transparent Cement, for mending China, Glass, Marble, Alabaster, Terra Cotta, Wood, Leather, Ivory, &c., &c., sold by
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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, $1,600,000—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 loan 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 mis 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 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.

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Charles E. Young.

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

100 TONS Pure Ground Windsor PLASTER, (Charlottesville Mills) or sale by P. B. HOGE & BRO.
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Insurance.

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 Discovery
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	27696	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 Westeru	1472	5	294
1866	Atlantic Mutual	2675	15	178
1866	World	1423	9	158
1866	New Jersey Mutual	2691	19	142
1866	Travellers'	8568	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 Advanses 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 Flats—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.
s 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
BAKER BROS.
oct25-tf

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.
au24-3m

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. apl2

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 18 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.

SIX LITTLE FEET ON THE FENDER.

In my heart there liveth a picture
Of a kitchen rude and old,
Where the firelight tripped o'er the rafter,
And reddened the roof's brown mould,
Gilding the steam of the kettle
That hummed on the foot-worn hearth,
Throughout all the live-long evening,
Its measure of drowsy mirth.

Because of the three little shadows
That frescoed that rude old room—
Because of the voices echoed
Up 'mid the rafters' gloom—
Because of the feet on the fender,
Six restless, white little feet—
The thoughts of that deer old kitchen
Are to me so fresh and sweet.

When the first dash at the window
Told of the coming rain,
O! where are the fair young faces
That crowded against the pain?
While bits of firelight stealing
Their dimpled cheeks between,
Went struggling out in darkness,
In shreds of silver sheen.

Two of the feet grew weary,
One dreary, dismal day,
And we tied them with snow-white ribbons,
Leaving them by the way;
There was fresh clay on the fender
That weary wintry night
For the four little feet had tracked it
From the grave on the bright hill's height.

O! why, on this dark some evening,
This evening of rain and sleet,
Rest my feet all alone on the hearthstone—
O! where are those other feet?
Are they treading the pathway of virtue
That will bring us together above?
Or have they made steps that will dampen
A sister's tireless love?

[From the New York Herald.]

A Thrilling Adventure.

Perils of Balloon Travel from Paris.

We have to thank Messrs. Gustave Kuhn & Co., of No 7 Murray street, in this city, for the perusal of some original letters from Mr. Jacques Friedmann, their representative in Paris, which detail the mishaps of a party that left Paris on the 7th of October for Tours, in a balloon, and had the ill luck to fall prematurely, and close to the Prussian lines of investment Mr Friedman wrote to Mr Kuhn on the 6th of October announcing the intended trip. Mr. Piper, a government contractor, attempted to leave Paris by balloon on the 28th of September, but had been prevented at the last moment by his bulk and weight. He then had a balloon constructed expressly for his own use, as urgent business affairs required his presence elsewhere than in Paris, and the following letter of Mr. Friedmann, which we translate from the original, describes the result:

PARIS, October 13, 1870.

Dear Mr. Kuhn:

On the 7th of October Mr. Piper and I ascended in a balloon, and have since then endured the most terrible sufferings and anxieties in consequence of having fallen between the French and Prussian outposts near Stains, where both forces kept up a steady fire on us for more than an hour. We had fallen into an immense pond, and it was only by feigning to be dead for fully three hours, or from the moment when we descended until dusk, that we escaped. At last we got away by swimming, sometimes plunging almost up to our shoulders into the mire of the puddle; and thus only were we at length enabled to reach the French outposts. All that we had with us was carried away by the balloon, which rose again at once as we left it. I send you herewith enclosed a clipping from the *Figaro* of October 10, which gives the most exact details of our mishap. To have escaped safe and sound seems to us miraculous. * * * *

Your devoted
JACQUES FRIEDMANN.

We append the extract from the *Figaro* of October 8th, referred to in the above:

THE LA VILETTE BALLOON

At forty-five minutes past two o'clock yesterday afternoon a balloon went up from the gas works at La Vilette Its car contained Mr. Piper, an army contractor, with letters for Tours; Mr Friedmann and one of M. Godard's employees

Wafted by a southwest wind the balloon was moving rather slowly to the northward, when, about half an hour after starting, it suddenly became disenflated and fell, almost like a dead mass, into a pond formed by an inundation of the river Craud

The situation of the ærial travellers was extremely critical They had fallen at a distance of but fifty paces from the Prussian sentinels stationed in front of the farm of Chantourteville, about 409 yards from Dugny and from Pierrefitte—positions occupied by the Prussians—and at a nearly equal distance from the fort of La Courneuve, held by the volunteer riflemen of the press. Well sustained platoon firing was poured in from three sides at once upon the shipwrecked æronauts, who had no other resource than to remain up to their necks in the water and feign to be dead.

This frightful situation lasted for three hours. At half past seven, the darkness being almost complete, Mr. Piper and his companions ventured to swim through the mire to the direction where, as they thought, they had heard French spoken, and had scarcely left the water ere they were captured by a detachment commanded by M. Emile Jourdet, Captain and Adjutant Major of the volunteer riflemen of the press

They soon made known who they were, and thus terminated an adventure which those who participated in it will probably never forget.

IF PEACE COMES, THEN WHAT?—A correspondent of the New York *Herald*, writing from Paris on the 28th of October (by balloon) speaking of the state of affairs that will follow when peace comes, says: "There will be an enormous expense to France She will have to indemnify Prussia for her expenses in the war; for Jules Favre stated in his first famous diplomatic note that the empire was the aggressor and had forced an unjust war; but it seriously doubted if the authorities will consent to pay any expenses incurred in fighting the public, or after the battle of Sedan—rather, to be more exact, after the 4th of September. France will have to disarm; 400,000 men will pass again to the status of peaceful citizenship; Prussia will recognize any government by France, but not usurped by Paris. The moneyed effect will be to send rentes up, for France even now is in a splendid condition of material prosperity. But I am afraid peace will in time overthrow the present government, because there are so many who despise it, and will be glad to condemn it on any subjects. The arrogance of these "reds" is collosal With but only two arrondissements in Paris, out of twenty, they will expect to control 40,000,000 of people. The significance of their demand will be appreciated when it is known that the arrondissement is the same to Paris as a ward is to New York city.

Agricultural fairs are epidemic now; but there is no use of garden vegetables competing the prizes.—The cabbage will always be a head.

Mr. Shiftless is amusing at his own expense: says he is like a first-rate watch, always going on tick.

For the Spectator.

MR. EDITOR:—Alleghany having no paper published within her limits, is rarely heard of by the outside world through the medium of the press; hence many little things of which her citizens feel disposed to boast, and which, we think, place our good old county just "*a little ahead*" of all her sisters, we get no credit for from this same "outside world."

For instance, who but ourselves know that at the late election Alleghany gave to C. Douglas Gray, the Radical candidate for Congress from this District, *not one single vote?* Who but ourselves know that the county offices could not be filled under military appointment, except by importation, because our citizens had all been too loyal to the late "*so-called*," and treasured too sacredly the glorious memories of the lost cause to swallow the "iron-clad?"—What "old Reb," now that the information is given him, wont *take off his hat* to Alleghany? Who wont give her *three cheers and a tiger?* *Tiger* suggests wild animals generally, *including Bears*, and reminds me that I ought to say, too, that Alleghany boasts three of the greatest Bear hunters in the mountains?"—When the father of these brothers (old Mr R.) died many years ago, so great had been the destruction among the "varmints" by his *steady aim* during his life, that bears, wolves, deer, &c., forgot their hatred of each other and met as friends "in frolic grand" to rejoice mightly over *his demise—their deliverance;* but their joy was of short duration; for soon they learned, to their sorrow, that he had left behind them three boys, any one of whom was warthy to "wear his shoes" I might give you an idea of their wonderful skill by a recital of some of their exploits, successful hunts, &c, but you'd think I was "yarning," so I forbear

Please just say to any of your Valley friends who have a little capital and much enterprise, who are fond of Bear meat and venison, hate radicals and radicalism, and want to move to a good, healthy country where there is plenty of paying work to be done, that Alleghany will suit them to a T.

Covington, Nov 10th 1870

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The Mistake of a Name—How One Man Lost a Bride that Another Man Won.

Two years ago a young lady, who shall be like the pure and radiant maiden whom the angels named Lenore, nameless here forever more, resided in the upper part of the city.—She had a bevy of devoted admirers who sought her favor. Not having much of the coquette in her composition she did not give smile to all, but chose one of her admirers on whom she lavished all her love Of course the fortunate male was happy in the love of one so beautiful in feature and mind, and sought by every device known to lovers to make himself more worthy of his treasure He was her constant attendant at all places of public resort, and the gossips soon began to whisper that they were engaged—a whisper to which the coloring of fact was speedily given by the appearance of a ring on a certain finger of one of the lady's hands Her parents about this time (for business reasons) removed to the western part of the State, and the lovers were separated They parted with the usual number of assurances of everlasting fidelity to each, which probably meant as much and no more than those assurances generally mean. They were lovers, engaged to be married; and those who have been in that condition can easily imagine what was said. Those who have not yet been in love, and parted with the idols of their hearts, ought not to know what occurred at the parting. Each pledged the other to write frequent letters, and thus by means of the facilities afforded by our obliging Uncle Samuel they hoped to keep alive their love for each other. According to the laws of etiquette the gentleman wrote the first of these tender missives, and there the correspondence on his part ceased, the how and why of which will be more fully detailed below. The young lady in due course of time received the letter and answered it. But in directing it she forgot to put the street and number of her lover's residence upon the envelope, and by a mistake on the part of a letter carrier the letter was delivered, not to the person for whom it was intended, but to another with the same name—This last-mentioned individual was mightily surprised at the receipt of the missive; but, as he rather liked the manner in which it was written, he concluded to confi-cate all such communications as might be indicted in future by the young lady So he wrote a reply, in which he protested his love in terms as strong as had the original lover, and to guard against mistakes, he informed the fair correspondent that he had changed his residence He gave the name of the street and number of the house in which he lived, and particularly requested the lady to direct her letters there, as he had reason to believe that another person of the same name was living in Troy. The correspondence was continued until a few weeks ago, when the person who had received the letters intended for another concluded to visit the fair unkown (to him at least) and expose his acts He did so, but instead of the reproaches which he had expected, mild words of reproof were only uttered, and but few of these. The lady seemed to like him and he undoubtedly worshipped her The upshot of the matter was that the two were married some days ago. The first lover, it is said, thinks of arraigning the Post-office Department for inefficiency. We end this recital in the customary way:—Sich is life.

DISGRACEFUL PROCEEDINGS—*A Bayonet Charge in a Ball Room.*—One of the companies of the Independent Blues, a new command, which Colonel Clarence Peters is organizing, held a ball at their armory, on Monday evening. The hall was crowded, to its utmost capacity, and everything passed off in a quiet and orderly manner until about 1 o clock, when, it is alleged, a crowd of desperate characters made their appearance and commenced cheering, and indulged in smoking cigars in the ball-room Col Peters used every endeavor to quiet them by persuasion, which failed to have ady effect upon them. He then attempted to put out the ringleader, who was taken from him by his friends, when the whole party set upon the Colonel He then drew his sword and cut two of them down, but he became completely surrounded, and with the assistance of several of his officers, he kept them at bay until the company was formed. The Colonel was obliged to use the company, and drive them out of the armory at the point of the bayonet. The company was formed in two ranks, stretching from wall to wall, driving the rowdies headlong down the stairs, pellmell over each other. During the melee Colonel Peters was struck several times, and Lieutenant Huffington was struck with a billy and knocked insensible.—*Balto. Sun.*

A fool, says the Arab proverb, may be known by six things: "Anger without cause, speech without profit, charge without object, putting trust in a stranger, and not knowing his friends from his foes."

Robinson met Smith as he was going on board a steamer on the Mississippi, and asked: "Which way, Smith—up or down?" "That depends upon circumstances," replied the latter. "If I get a berth over the boiler, I shall probably go up; if in the cabin, down."

Here is a Western Democratic conundrum which none of the Radical orators have as yet undertaken to answer: "Why do the national banks have the privilege of issuing their notes as money, said notes costing the people nearly or quite $20,000,000 a year, when legal tender notes could have been issued for nothing?"

A Wisconsin Sunday school desired to purchase musical instruments for the use of the school, and instructed a commission to a business man who was going to Milwaukee to buy goods. He brought back six flies and a drum.

Moral and Religious.

Better is a little with the fear of the Lord, than great treasure and trouble therewith.

Beware of judging hastily; it is better to suspend an opinion than to retract an assertion.

"Few persons have sufficient wisdom to prefer censure which is useful to them, to praise which deceives them."—*La Roche-foucald.*

It is a bad sign when a preacher tries to drive home his logic by thumping the desk violently with his clenched hand. His arguments are *so-fist*-ical.

Surely happiness is reflective, like the light of heaven; and every countenance bright with smiles, and glowing with innocent enjoyment, is a mirror transmitting to others the rays of a supreme and ever shining benevolence.

Falsehood flies swift as the wind, and Truth creeps behind her at a snail's pace. But Falsehood makes so many twistings, that Truth, keeping steadily on, looking neither to the right nor left, overtakes her before long.

Josh Billings says: "Menny people spend their time in trying to find the hole whar sin got into the world If two men break through the ice into a mill pond, they had better hunt for some good hole to get out, rather than get into a long argument about the hole they fell in."

No trait of character is more valuable than the possession of a good temper. Home cannot be rendered happy without it. Like flowers springing up in our pathway, it revives and cheers us. Kind words and looks are the outward demonstration; patience and forbearance are the sentinels.

Paul was fearless, powerful and unyielding. His success, though incomplete, was wonderful. Men like Jesus and Paul, whose great aim is to benefit and elevate human nature, however widely one might differ with them, deserve the student's laborious research, the phil