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Professional Directory.

A. HENKEL, Physician and Surgeon, STAUNTON, VA. Respectfully tenders his services in the various branches of his profession.

MADE P. WHITE, Attorney-at-Law, STAUNTON, VA. will practice in the Courts of Augusta, Rockingham and Highland Counties.

SAMUEL C. BASKIN, ACCOUNTANT AND BOOK-KEEPER. OFFICE OVER FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

D. S. H. HENKEL, D. M. T. T. T. Staunton, Va., (formerly of New Market, Va.) Graduate Baltimore Dental College.

D. B. P. REESE offers his professional services to the public. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia.

GEORGE M. HARRISON, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. will practice in all the Courts held in Augusta county, and in the Circuit Courts of the adjoining Counties.

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Groceries and Produce.

THE new two dollar cash department. R. D. SEARS, agent, Main st. THE self-setting mouse trap—75 cents.

CANNED TOMATOES, 25 cents; canned Corn, 35 cents; Jar Pickles, 35 cents.

DRIED BEEF—A No. 1—35 cents. R. D. SEARS, agent, Main st.

FRESH SILVER CRACKERS. R. D. SEARS, agent, Main st.

SILVER DRIPS, \$1.50 per gallon. R. D. SEARS, agent, Main st.

PRIME 2 year old Vinegar, 50 cts per gallon. R. D. SEARS, agent, Main st.

HERRINGS—10 barrels No. 1 met Herring, 10 barrels No. 1 gross Herring, 5 half barrels Family Rice Herrings.

PRIME COFFEE SEED—Extra quality. Brown sugars, 104 to 13 cents.

Remover, 10 barrels No. 1 met Herring, 10 barrels No. 1 gross Herring, 5 half barrels Family Rice Herrings.

SEEDS—50 bushels genuine Norway Seed for sale. JOHN B. HOGE.

REMOVAL—R. D. SEARS, agent, has removed his store from the What to the old stand of Cleveland & Sears, where he will be happy to see his old customers.

COFFEE SEED—A choice lot for sale low. J. W. TODD & CO., Burwell corner.

TOWEL ROLLERS, Hat Racks and Brushes of all kinds for sale by J. W. TODD & CO., Burwell corner.

C. A. RICHARDSON, FLOUR AND PRODUCE MERCHANT, Augusta street, Staunton, Va.

I respectfully inform all my old friends in the country who have FLOUR and PRODUCE for sale, that I am again in the Trade and hope they will call on me before selling elsewhere.

J. S. GILLIAM & CO., next door below the Post Office, have on hand a supply of choice Groceries, also prime clover seed, and all kinds of country produce.

Agents for the sale of James S. Welch's celebrated brand of FAMILY FLOUR.

Attention of country merchants is called to our machine made brooms, of superior quality, at Baltimore prices.

TAHIFT OFF—Great Reduction in PRICE.—The tariff having been reduced on Coffee, Sugar, Tea, Spices, &c., we are now giving our customers the FULL benefit of it.

WE have yet some of those cheap Cotton hats for comfort. BAKER BROS.

NEW GROCERY STORE.—J. W. WOODS & GILKESON, next door below the Post Office, have on hand a supply of choice Groceries, also prime clover seed, and all kinds of country produce.

NEW SUPPLY OF GROCERIES IN GEO. C. JACKSON'S NEW STORE, on Augusta Street, opposite C. H. Square.

COFFEES, TEAS, SUGARS, STRIPS, Bacon, Fish, and ALL articles usually kept in a first class FAMILY GROCERY.

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE IN CASH paid for FLOUR, WHEAT, RYE, OATS, CORN, &c.

WARRANTED FRESH AND PURE, \$11 per ton—bags 10 cents.

VERY LOW PRICES! We have a large supply of superior Wind-er-Plaster, which we warrant pure.

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Richmond Advertisements.

ST. CHARLES HOTEL, Corner 15th and Main Street, RICHMOND, VA.

This Hotel is situated in the centre of business and more convenient to the principal railroad depot and boat landings than any house in the city.

ALLISON & ADDISON, dealers in SEEDS, CLOVER, TIMOTHY, Orchard Grass, KTY. BLUE GRASS, LAWN GRASS, HERDS GRASS, and EVERY VARIETY OF FIELD GRASS AND GARDEN SEEDS OF THE FINEST QUALITY, at the LOWEST MARKET RATES.

500 BARRELS SEED POTATOES, OF THE EARLY ROSE, EARLY GOODRICH, and OTHER CHOICE VARIETIES.

Wholesale quotations furnished to dealers. Prompt and careful attention given to all orders.

jan1-2m JAMES G. DEATON, JAMES C. DEATON, Commission Merchants, North side of the 11th st., RICHMOND, VA.

SOLE AGENTS FOR THE SALE OF FLOUR, WHEAT, CORN, OATS, FLOUR and ALL OTHER COUNTRY PRODUCE.

My friends and those of Mr. Matthew Blair, who will aid him in conducting the business.

Matthew Blair invites the attention of his friends and the farmers generally to the above card.

References.—William H. McFarland, Esq., President State Bank of Virginia, Richmond; Isaac Deaton, Esq., President First National Bank of Virginia, Richmond; John B. Morton, Esq., Cashier National Bank of Virginia, Richmond; Col. C. O. Tompkins, late of Kanawha county, West Virginia; Moses Lacy, Esq., Lynchburg, dec 13-3m.

CHARLES L. TODD—GROCER and Commission Merchant, No. 2 Post Office, Fourth street, RICHMOND, VA.

Consignments of Flour, Grain and Produce solicited, and liberal advances made by cash.

J. J. WAGONER, WM. G. HARVEY, Wholesale Grocers, No. 2 Post Office, Fourth street, RICHMOND, VA.

Commission Merchants, No. 2 Post Office, Fourth street, RICHMOND, VA.

Strict attention given to the sale of Coffee, Tobacco, Grain and Country Produce.

Grain Bags furnished at five cents for fifty cents. Commissions for selling grain 2 1/2 per cent.

RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF DAILY LINE between Richmond and Baltimore via York River and Chesapeake Bay.

Trains leave Richmond daily at 2 P. M., connecting at West Point with steamers for Baltimore—arrive in Baltimore at 10 A. M.

Trains leave Baltimore daily at 4 P. M., No. 90 Light Street Wharf.

Through bills of lading given to all points North and South.

Freights received daily and forwarded promptly.

Seamers leave Pier No. 2 Light Street wharf daily at 4 P. M., via York River for Richmond and the South and West.

Arrive in Richmond at 10 1/2 A. M., and at Richmond at 4 30 A. M., and at Richmond at 4 30 A. M.

On and after Monday, Feb. 28, 1870, the Passenger Trains will run as follows:

Main Train will run daily between Richmond and Staunton (excepting Sunday, between Gordonsville and Staunton).

Leave Richmond at 8 A. M.; arrive at Staunton at 4 30 P. M.

Leave Staunton at 8 A. M.; arrive at Richmond at 4 30 P. M.

Going West passengers dine at Gordonsville and sup at Covington. Going East, breakfast at Gordonsville, and dinner at Staunton.

This train connects with stages as follows: At Staunton for Lexington, Natural Bridge and Harrisonburg.

At Harrisonburg for Bath Alum Springs, 10 miles; and Warm Springs, 15 miles.

At White Sulphur Springs for Lewisburg, 9 miles; and Charlestown, 10 1/2 miles.

Through tickets issued to all points, North, West and Southwest.

JAS. F. NETHLELAND, General Ticket Agent.

Saddles, Harness, &c. If you want good work, go to GEO. F. ELICK'S, where you will find the best assortment this side of Baltimore.

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Groceries, Produce and Fertilizers.

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Poetry.

Among the writings of George D. Prentice nothing has been more justly admired than the beautiful prose poem, bearing the above title, of which the following is a partial versification:

What is this darkened life? It cannot be An empty bubble on Time's boundless sea, Then sink to float a little moment there, Then sink to night and darkness and despair.

Reply of Dr. Thos. S. Creigh, of Greenbrier County, Va., to Dr. J. H. Phares, of No. Jersey.

The following letter was written by Dr. Thos. Creigh, in reply to one received by him from Dr. Phares, sending a biographical notice of Thad. Stevens, and telling him it was intended to read the rebels into loyalty.

I received your present and will keep it as a memento of your interest, and was strangely pleased to hear you were going to "train the rebels into loyalty."

Training horses and animals and men is sometimes a dangerous experiment, especially when there is a good deal of antagonism in their habits and their feelings and intellectual developments.

I wish to say in the first place, that I think that the Southern statesmen and people have a high and holy sense of right and justice, but a true and correct perception of constitutional liberty and gave to the constitution under which you live its legitimate, natural and philosophical interpretation.

Four ideas of liberty are contending for the mastery in the South: the Southern, the Federal, the Democratic and the Restrictive. Your theory is that all power is in the Government.

The Southern is, that power is vested in the people. There are other differences besides, of which I will not say more than is necessary to show that the people in the South know what liberty is, and that they need no training from the North, either in their understanding or interpretation of the constitution.

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State Taxes.

The following is the substance of the "act imposing taxes for the support of government and free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt" as finally passed on the 13th by the General Assembly:

Land.—On lands and lots and improvements thereon, 50 cts. on every \$100 of the assessed value—one-half to be applied to the support of public free schools.

Inheritance.—On collateral inheritances six per cent on the value or amount.

On persons.—Upon every male person over the age of 21, \$1.00 for free school purposes.

Personal Property.—Same as on lands.

Income.—On every \$100 in excess of \$1,000 50 cts.

On Railroad and Canal Companies.—On every \$100 of the estimated value of real and personal property, 50 cts.—one-half for support of public schools; and on net earnings, in excess of \$1,000 per annum, 1 of one per cent.

Express and Transportation companies.—Same as the preceding.

Savings Banks and Insurance companies.—On capital stock and assets 50 cts on \$100, and on net income or dividends in excess of \$1,000, 50 cts on \$100.

Foreign Insurance Companies.—On assessments collected, premiums received and obligations for such premiums, 1 of one per cent.

Telegraph companies.—Same as on express companies.

Will, etc.—On probate of every will or grant of administration, not exempt by law, \$1 under \$1,000; for every additional \$100 over this limit, 10 cents.

Liquor Licenses.—Specific tax, wholesale and retail, \$100; retail only, \$50; tax on sales, varying as heretofore, according to the amount sold.

Commission Merchants.—Specific tax of 35¢; and 3 per cent on amount of commissions.

Sample Merchants.—Specific tax of \$100, and any sample merchant permitting any one to use his name in connection with a line of \$50 for each additional line.

Peddlers.—Specific tax of \$50.

Junk Dealers.—Specific tax of \$50, and 20 cts on every person canvassing any county or corporation, or any part thereof, for the purpose of buying any junk.

Patent Rights.—On sale or barter of patent rights, 25¢.

Land Agents.—Specific tax on a land agent \$25.

Book Agents.—Specific tax \$10.

Agents for Manufactured Articles.—The specific license tax upon an agent for the sale of manufactured articles, or machines of other States or territories, shall be thirty dollars; and this tax shall be any party licensed under this section, the right to sell manufactured articles, or machines of other States or territories, in all of the counties of the State.

General Auctioneers.—Specific tax on general auctioneers \$20; and if the place of business is in a city or town having, when assessed, a population of more than five thousand inhabitants, two dollars for every thousand above that number; but no specific tax shall be assessed on a general auctioneer, who shall pay an additional tax of one-fourth of one per cent on the amount of sales for the year.

Real Estate Auctioneers.—Specific tax, \$50; and if the place of business is in a city or town containing, when assessed, a population exceeding 500 inhabitants, \$100; and he shall pay an additional tax of one-fourth of one per cent on the amount of sales.

Tobacco Auctioneers.—Specific tax, \$30.

Common Carriers.—Specific tax, \$10.

Every person canvassing any county or corporation, or any part thereof, for the purpose of buying any matters of substance, except as is excepted by law, \$30.

Brokers and Bankers.—On a stock broker \$250; on a private banker \$250; both together \$400.

Distillers.—Specific tax \$250, of malt liquors \$25.

Rectifiers.—Specific tax \$50 and additional tax 25 cts per gal. or 1 cent per gallon, in excess of one hundred barrels, except that a manufacturer of any spirituous liquors manufactured by himself without additional charge.

Ordinaries.—Specific tax \$25 and additional tax of 50 cts on annual rent over \$100 and under \$1,000, and on the annual rent in excess of