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OFFICE—The same formerly occupied by his father, Col. Geo. Baylor, dec'd., on Augusta street, opposite the Court-house, no21.

CHAS. GRATTAN,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Staunton, Va.
Will practice in the Courts of Augusta, Rockingham and Highland.
Office with the Sheriff, no21-4f.

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Staunton, Va.
Will practice in all the Courts held in Augusta County, and in the Circuit Courts of the adjoining counties.
Office—East of Court-house, over Clerk's office, Court of Appeals, no31-4f.

DR. R. REED,
HOMOEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN,
NEW BRICK BUILDING,
Corner of Main and Augusta streets,
Staunton, Va.
Entrance on Augusta street, o17-3m.

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Staunton, Va.
Will practice in the Courts of Augusta. Special attention given to collecting.
Office on Augusta street, over G. C. Jackson's, July.

DR. R. P. REESE,
HAS MOVED TO HIS OFFICE
at his residence opposite the Market House, corner of Frederick and Water Streets.
Ladies will find a private room where they can consult him at all times.
Special attention given to the treatment of canker sores in his family.
June 20-6m.

THOMAS D. RANSON,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Staunton, Va.
Offers his professional services in the County and Circuit Courts of Augusta and in the Huntington Court and the Courts of Appeals held in Staunton. Will also prosecute claimants through legal representatives in this and other States.
S. TRAYLOR PHILLIPS, J. FRED. EFFINGER, ROBERT ORR, ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW,
Staunton, Va.
Will practice in all the Courts of Augusta, Rockingham, and Highland, and Nelson.
Special attention given to collecting.
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A. M. HENKEL, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon,
Staunton, Va.
Respectfully tenders his services, in the various branches of his profession, to the public; and may be consulted at any time, at his office, unless he is professionally engaged.
SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO SURGERY.
Jan 10-1y.

MEADE F. WHITE,
Attorney-at-Law,
Staunton, Va.
Will practice in the Courts of Augusta, Rockingham and Highland.
Refers, by permission, to the Law Faculty of the University of Virginia, and to the Faculty of the Law School of the University of the District of Columbia.
Office on Court-house alley, d-c 13-1y.

M. MATHEWS & MATHEWS,
ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,
Staunton, 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 Columbia.
Particular attention paid to Collections and to special cases anywhere in their State.
no31-1y.

JOHN S. BALDWIN,
Attorney-at-Law,
Staunton, Va.
Will practice in all the Courts held in Augusta County.
Office—Over Cassie's Confectionery Store, no21-1f.

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DENTIST,
Main Street, Staunton, Va.
Office—Over Cassie's Confectionery Store, no21-1f.

FIRST-CLASS SEWING MACHINES
\$40 FAIR PRICES. \$40
THE McLEAN & HOOPER
Elastic Lock-Stitch
Family Sewing Machines.
It requires no extra attachment for Embroidering, Braiding and Gathering. It takes the thread directly from the spools, thus saving trouble and economizing time. It requires but one foot to move the needle even in sewing the heaviest fabrics.
It is made of the BEST STEEL, and at all points of wear case hardened.
Its chief points of excellence are: Unequalled simplicity, quietness of operation, ease of management, rapidity of execution, non-ability to drop stitches or break thread, short straight needle, simplicity of tension, ease of managing it, and its ability to sew on all kinds of fabrics.
Beading, Gathering and Embroidering without attachments.
Send all orders to
HUNTER & CO.,
Staunton, Va.

TAILORING! TAILORING!
The co-partnership heretofore existing between Graves & Sprinkle has been mutually dissolved. 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.
P. B. GRAVES

Groceries and Produce.

CHARLES C. WHEAT,
(successor to Richardson & Wheat)

CORNER MAIN AND AUGUSTA STREETS,
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA.

Begs leave to state that he has always on hand a large and well selected stock of

Family Groceries.
His stock embraces everything usually found in a first class grocery, of which he would only mention the following:

SUGAR, BACON, COFFEES, LARD, BUTTER, TEAS, MOLASSES, EGGS, SYRUPS, RICE, FLOUR, CHEESE, BROOMS, LEATHER, COTTON YARNS,

He is determined to give satisfaction to all who may need anything in his line of business, and would ask all those who have not tried him, to do so before purchasing elsewhere.

Special attention given to the purchase of Flour for family use.

He would express many thanks to his friends for the liberal patronage heretofore extended him, and would ask a continuance of the same.

Remember the place for CHEAP GROCERIES—New Brick Building—corner Main and Augusta streets, Staunton, Va.
N. B.—Mr. James T. Byers is with him and will be glad to see his friends.
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WANTED—FOR CASH—
FLOUR, GRAIN, PORK, CLOVERSEED!
Immediate Delivery.
JAMES H. BLACKLEY,
directly opposite the Court-house, no28 Staunton, Va.

200 SACKS LIVERPOOL SALT,
In prime order,
For sale very low for cash.
JAMES H. BLACKLEY,
directly opposite Court-house, no28 Staunton, Va.

India Rubber Weather Strips
FOR
Windows and Doors.
Those desiring to be supplied with the above-named article, will do well to call at the store of
R. D. SEARS, Agent,
and examine a sample.
If there is a sufficient demand, an order will be forwarded and promptly filled.

FOR India Rubber
Cocoa, Grass, Shuck and Jute MATS.
Call on R. D. SEARS, agent.

FOR Grits, Hominy, Canned Goods, Sardines, Jellies, French Mustard and Cauliflower.
Call on R. D. SEARS, agent.

GO TO R. D. SEARS, Agent,
and buy your CLOTHES BASKETS.

CALL and examine those HAMPERS at R. D. SEARS, agent.

IF you wish a nice DRESS'D TURKEY, call at R. D. SEARS, agent.

EGGS always on hand at R. D. SEARS, agent.

BATH BRICK
A splendid article for cleaning Kitchen Utensils, polishing Knives and Forks, and Table Cutlery, at R. D. SEARS, agent.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR,
RYE MEAL AND GRAHAM FLOUR,
at R. D. SEARS, agent.

ROPE, Rope.—All sizes for wells, and hay forks for sale, and cheap, at BAKER BROS.

Groceries, &c.

C. A. RICHARDSON,
(late of Richardson & Wheat)

New Building, Augusta Street, immediately opposite Spitzer & Hunter, and next door to Valley Virginia office, STAUNTON, VIRGINIA.

Having again gone into the Grocery business, in connection with my Flour and Produce trade, I can sell choice Family Groceries cheaper than they can be bought in the town.

Having purchased a stock of Staple Groceries at the lowest cash rates, I will sell them upon a small profit.

My present stock consists in part of the following choice and selected goods:

EGGS, LARD, TEAS, BACON, SYRUPS, RICE, BUTTER, COFFEES, MOLASSES, FLOUR, SOAPS, SPICES, BROOMS, MEAL, BUCKETS, COTTON YARNS, COTTON YARNS, ESSENCES, &c.

I am determined to sell at the lowest CASH RATES. My motto is quick sales and small profits. All goods sold are warranted in every respect as represented.

Satisfaction will be rendered to one and all—do not fail to call and see me.

I make a specialty of FLOUR—BUYING and SELLING all brands and grades—a choice stock of flour always on hand for family use. All flour sold warranted as represented.

I tender my thanks to all my friends and patrons who have stood by me so continually and well for the past few years. I tell them now that I am started again and will deal with them as fairly and as liberally as ever. Come—come all, and give me a trial again.

Be sure to remember the place for the cheap groceries—new brick building on Augusta street, next door to the Valley Virginia office, and immediately opposite Spitzer & Hunter and H. A. Glenn & Co.

N. B.—I am not on the corner of Main and Augusta streets as formerly, but in the rear part of the new building, in the store room, recently occupied by Messrs. P. B. & P. A. Sublett, may 20.

TO HOUSE-KEEPERS.—You will save money by buying goods in my line from me. I keep none but the best and warrant satisfaction.
Coffee—green and roasted;
Tea, that is tea;
Sugars, of all kinds;
Molasses, Vinegar,
Flour—best grade,
All kinds of Crackers,
Cheese and Macaroni,
Lard, Bacon, Rice,
Borax, Soap, Canned
Tomatoes, Peaches, Corn,
Pickles, Pickled Onions, Pickled
Looking Glasses, Baskets,
Buckets, and the largest
Stock of Queensware
in the Valley.
Buy and sell all kinds of Country Produce.
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NEW STORE and CHEAP GOODS
on the corner of Augusta and Frederick streets.—I am now receiving a large stock of new staple goods, consisting of cotton goods, calicoes, plaid cotton, ginghams, bleached cottons, also heavy woolen and tweed goods, boots, shoes, hats, etc., queensware, crockery, tinware, glass, etc., all of which I will sell at low figures for cash or exchange for flour, wheat, corn, oats, &c. The farmers and everybody will do well to give me a call before selling or buying elsewhere.
J. A. LOGAN.

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 sugar, coffee, lard, soap, molasses, fish, salt, molasses, tobacco, brooms, brushes, shoes, &c., and, in fact, everything usually found in a first-class grocery store. Cash 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.

BEST MARKET PRICE paid for Flour and Grain, by J. W. UTLEY & CO., corner of Augusta and Frederick streets, July 10-1y.

TEA! TEA!—A prime lot of fresh teas:
No. 1 Gunpowder Tea,
No. 2 Gunpowder Tea,
Japan Tea,
Black Tea, just received and for sale at
RICHARDSON'S.

CHEESE.—Young American, Fine Apple and N. Y. State, Dutch, Cheese on hand and for sale by CHARLES C. WHEAT.

FLOUR FLOUR!—A choice supply of flour always on hand for family use. All grades and brands kept at RICHARDSON'S.

IT is a duty that you owe yourself and family to buy your provisions as cheap as possible for the quality—so go to RICHARDSON'S, no28-30.

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. at P. B. HOGE & BRO.

POWERS & FRITCHER,
GRAIN AND PRODUCE Commission Merchants,
All of our friends, and the public generally, who desire good cash prices for Flour, Grain and other Produce, will find it to their advantage to ship to our Richmond House—L. Powers, 1540 Main street, Richmond, Va. Advances made on consignments if required.
We keep on hand in our large, roomy store, nearly opposite the Post-office, a full supply of all kinds of Groceries. Call and see us at P. O. BOX 100, POWERS & FRITCHER.

BAKER'S CHOCOLATE, Cox's Gelatine, Vanilla and Lemon Extracts, Paraffine Wax Candles, for sale by CHARLES C. WHEAT, corner Main and Augusta streets, July 10-1y.

FISH.—No. 1 Potomac now net Herring, No. 2, and 3 Mackeral—all warranted and for sale by CHAS. C. WHEAT.

Poetry.

LINES,
Written at the tomb of the Koutuckians who fell at Buena Vista, buried in the Cemetery at Frankfort.

BY THEODORE O'HARA.

The muffled drum's roll has beat
The soldier's last tattoo!
No more on life's parade shall meet
That brave and fallen few;
On Fame's eternal camping ground
Their silent tents are spread,
And Glory guards, with solemn round,
The bivouac of the dead.

No rumor of the foe's advance
Now swells upon the wind,
Their halcyon and their night haunts
Of loved one's merry chime;
No vision of the morrow's strife
The warrior's dream alarms,
No brav'ring horn or screaming fife
At dawn shall call to arms.

Their shivered spears are red with rust,
Their plumed helmets are bowed,
Their banners and their standards
In no more martial show—
And pensive funeral tears have washed
The dust from their armor's gleam,
And the proud forms by battle gashed
Are free from anguish now.

The marching troop, the flashing blade,
The bugle's stirring blast,
The charge, the dread cannonade,
The din and shout are past—
For war's wild note, nor glory's peal,
No more shall sweep their path,
Those breasts that never more may feel
The rapture of the fight.

Like the fierce Northern hurricane
That sweeps his great plain,
Flushed with the triumph yet to gain,
Dawned down the serried foe—
Whence the storm of battle blew,
Break'd o'er his life beneath,
Knew well the watchword of the day
The glory of the foe.

Long did the doubtful conflict rage
O'er all that stricken plain,
For never fiercer fight did wage
The venereal blood of Spain;
And the storm of battle blew,
Still swelled the gory tide—
Not long our stout old chieftain knew,
That his life's end could be.

'Twas at that hour, his stern command,
Called to a martyr's grave,
The flower of his own loved land,
Where straggling steps and tongue resound
By rivers of his father's gore
His first-born laurels grew,
And he deemed the price worth paying
For his life for glory's sake.

Full many a Northern's breath has swept
O'er Augusta's plain,
And long the pitying sky has wept
Above his mortal remains,
The ravens' scream or eagle's flight,
Or shepherd's pensive lay,
Alone wake each solemn height
That frowned o'er that dread day.

Sons of the Dark and Bloody Ground!
You must not slumber there;
Where stranger steps and tongue resound
Along the heedless river;
Your own proud land's heroic soil
Should be your litter grave;
She claims from you the richest spoil—
The ashes of the brave.

Thus, 'neath their parent turf they rest
Far from the gory field,
Born to a Spartan mother's breast
On many a bloody shield,
The sunshine of their native sky
Shall cheer their slumbering eyes,
And kindred eyes and hearts watch by
The hero's sepulchre.

Rest on, embalmed and sainted dead!
But deem not that you are
No impious footsteps shall tread
The heritage of the grave;
Nor shall your glory be forgot
By the brave men of the day,
Or honor points the hollow spot
Where Valor proudly slays.

You marble minstrel's voiceless tones,
In endless song, shall tell
When many a vanished year has past;
The story how ye fell;
Nor time's remorseless doom,
Can dim one ray of holy light
That glads your glorious tomb.

A COWARDLY SENSATION.—A cow was the cause of a most remarkable instance of devastation a few nights since. Breaking into the yard of Mr. Lane's dwelling, and putting her head into an empty barrel in an exploring search for any contents it might have, she was unable to extricate herself and soon became thoroughly frightened and began to rush wildly about in a condition such as to excite the curiosity of the household, and she was taken into the kitchen, and thence into the dining-room of the house, becoming all the while more furious. From the rear she made her way into the parlour, throwing down and trampling under foot everything that came in her way. Mrs. Lambert aroused her husband, who arose and went for help. The cow next rushed into the bedroom, where Mrs. Lambert, with a little boy and one child, occupied a bed, and another child was in a crib in front of it. The enraged animal mounted the bed, but help arrived, and an instant to soon. The windows were rattled from the outside, and Mr. McKenzie attempted to enter when the barrel gave him a blow which knocked him back against the space. The children were all in bed, and passed through the window, and Mrs. Lambert soon followed. The door of the bedroom was then closed and the cow was left to herself. At last she became quiet and the barrel fell from her mouth. The furniture, which was very nice, is fearfully demoralized. The plastering was knocked from the walls and the panels of the doors broken out.—*Detroit Tribune.*

THE NEWSPAPER BUSINESS.—The Nashville newspapers have determined to increase their rates of subscription, having found that at the present rates they furnish their papers for less than the cost of the white paper upon which they are printed. Few enterprises are as expensive as newspapers and few are so laborious, troublesome and unremunerative. Great as is the cost of publishing them, the rates for the war, it is much greater since. The privilege of printing paper has increased considerably. Composition, which means type setting, is almost double what it was, while to the one item of telegraphing must be added two hundred per cent. on old rates. Except in large cities, where the almost infinitesimal profit on each issue counts up by means of an extended circulation and liberal advertising, the publisher loses that he ought not to have. Nothing is more prevalent than unreasonable complaint about the price of newspaper subscriptions. Many persons, indeed, appear to think that they ought not only to have the privilege of directing the course of the newspaper they take, but that it ought to be furnished to them for nothing.

A long observation and experience have satisfied me that there is no class who confer so many benefits upon the public and are so poorly rewarded as newspaper men.—*Richmond Whig.*

SINGULAR EFFECT OF A DREAM.—A remarkable instance of the effect of a dream in a dream occurred in an interior town of Wisconsin recently. A young man, a school teacher, just married, spent an evening in reading to his wife incidents of Indian life and warfare in the Western country. Going to bed with his mind filled with the subject, he dreamed of being in the morning the scene he had been reading of during which he had lost his scalp at the hands of a redskin, receiving thereby a terrible fright. On being awakened by the sun in the house in the morning he found himself unable to speak, and could only communicate with the others by writing—thus relating his dream. At last accounts he had not recovered his speech.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA.

SENATE.—Saturday, Dec. 16th.—Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act passed February 12th, 1866, in relation to horse-stealing, was taken up and read the second time. It amends the law so as to make the minimum punishment three years in the penitentiary, and the maximum eighteen years, instead of the death penalty. The passage of the bill was opposed by Messrs. Lackland, Nutting, and Cochran, and advocated by Messrs. Penn, Pridmore, Patterson, Thomas and French.

Mr. Rolfe then reconsidered the vote by which the bill was ordered to a third reading and engrossment, in order to offer an amendment continuing the death penalty. His motion was put and lost; Ayes, 9; noes, 21.

On the passage of the bill the yeas and noes were called, and the question was determined in the affirmative by a vote of 23 to 8.

General James A. Walker, of Pulaski, in the House of Delegates, informed the Senate of the passage in that body of a resolution to discontinue the issue of bonds required to be issued by the act for funding the public debt.

Mr. Fitzpatrick said that the advocates of the resolution did not contemplate taking final action to-day. They wanted everybody to be heard.

The motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, amended by Mr. Querry, making it a continuing order, was adopted; so the consideration of the resolution is the special continuing order for Monday.

Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 10 of chapter 17 of the Code of 1860, in relation to the removal of causes pending in one court to another, was passed.

HOUSE.—House joint resolution to discontinue the issue of new bonds under the provisions of the act passed on the 15th of the present order, and was passed.

The following bills were passed:
Senate bill amending the law declaring when the State is in default in relation to rail-roads in county and circuit courts.
House bill to amend the act authorizing the Board of Public Works to sell the State's interest in the various internal improvement companies.

HOUSE bill to amend the road law.
Mr. Daniel submitted the following joint resolution, under a suspension of the rules, which was ordered to be printed:
"Whereas the public credit of the State of Virginia has been injured, and is now being injured, by the apprehension in the minds of some persons that this General Assembly will not pass a law to amend the act, and whereas we deem it important to the people such an apprehension from the minds of all persons, and to remove it at once; and whereas, if the disposition existed on the part of the General Assembly to amend the act, the Constitution, both of the State and Federal Governments, positively prohibits the passage of any such law; and in order to prevent any further injury to our credit:

Resolved, That the General Assembly will pass no such act of reprobation.

Resolved, That such legislation would be no less derogatory of our future prosperity than of our credit, our integrity, and honor."

It was agreed that these resolutions should be considered on Tuesday after the special order is disposed of.

SENATE.—Monday, Dec. 18th.—A number of resolutions of enquiry and reports of committees were adopted. Among them was a resolution instructing the Committee for Courts of Justice to inquire into the expediency of so amending the 3rd section of the act, approved June 27th, 1870, known as the homestead act, to abolish entirely the right of a wife of a homesteaded, as provided for in said 3rd section; and to amend the act, so as to give the right of homestead cannot be secured to the homesteader, &c., by a mode of proceeding less restrictive than is now provided by law.

At 1 o'clock the joint order being the election of judges and Circuit Clerks, the day for the opening of the session was adjourned to 1 o'clock, and was put and determined in the negative.

The question then returned upon the adoption of the resolution, and after considerable debate the Senate adjourned to 5 P. M.

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