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CHANGE OF FRONT!

BOOT AND SHOE SHOP!!

Custom-Made Work.

Having purchased the Shoe Shop, Machinery, &c., of N. B. Hendry, I take this method of informing the public that I am prepared to execute orders at short notice and at liberal rates.

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made in my shop to be of the best Material and Workmanship.

Boots and Shoes of any style or finish, for gentlemen or ladies, made to order with promptness, and a neat fit or no sale.

Repairing a "*specialty*," by one of the best workmen in the country.

Dealers supplied at wholesale prices.

Call, as heretofore, at the store of N. B. Hendry, Augusta street.

june 4 tf WM. A. BANTZ.

The largest stock of Ladies' and Misses' Shoes and Slippers in black and fancy colors is to be found at WELLER'S boot, shoe and hat store.

Ladies' Serge, Kid Newport Ties, Lasting Opera Polish, Pompa Ties, Janauscheck Slippers—all beautiful styles, at WELLER'S boot, shoe and hat store. april 23 tf

Mens' Boots, Prince Albert's, Oxford and French Ties, Creole and Imitation Congress, Button Balls and English Ties, at WELLER'S boot, shoe and hat store. april 23 tf

The largest stock of Shoes and Slippers for Children and Infants in black and fancy colors is to be found at WELLER'S boot, shoe and hat store. april 23 tf

All the latest style Hats for Gentlemen, boys and children. Umbrellas, &c., at WELLER'S boot, shoe and hat store. april 23 tf

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Fine calf sewed pegged Boots and Gaiters for Gentlemen and Youths, low, at

april 23 tf C. L. WELLER'S.

THE LARGEST STOCK of School BOOKS in the Valley is at

J. COWAN'S, bookseller,

se5-tf New street, Staunton, Va.

Groceries, &c.

THE Subscriber has commenced a General Produce Business in one of Stuart's new Warehouses, near the Railroad Depot in Staunton, where he will buy and sell all kinds of country produce for Cash.

He will keep constantly on hand Flour, Corn, Wheat, Oats, Meal and Plaster.

Mr. N. B. Hill is assisting the undersigned in this business, and would be pleased to see his former customers and friends generally,

july 16 tf C. HAILE.

TIMOTHY SEED AND FERTILIZERS.

We have a choice lot of prime Timothy Seed, also a lot of choice Clover Seed, which we will sell low for cash. We are prepared to furnish ZELL'S and POWHATAN SUPER PHOSPHATE on time for approved negotiable notes, interest added. Give your orders early.

We also keep GROUND PLASTER, SALT and a general assortment of Dry Goods and Groceries.

SMITH & PATTERSON,

july 16 6t Waynesboro', Va.

C. A. Richardson,

Flour and Produce Merchant.

AUGUSTA STREET, STAUNTON, VA.

A Choice Stock of Family Groceries always on hand.

Sugars, Coffees, Syrups, Molasses, Salt, Fish, Bacon, Rice, Crackers, Cheese, Butter, Teas, Tobacco, Buckets, Brooms, Cotton Yarn, Spices, &c., &c., &c.

I am selling my Groceries at the lowest CASH RATES.

Farmers and Citizens will find it to their interest to try me before buying elsewhere.

Remember the place for the CHEAPEST GROCERIES, and call on

C. A. RICHARDSON.

July 2 tf

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!! We have just made large additions to our varied stock of Staple Dry Goods, Groceries and Hardware—part to arrive.

Our Dry Goods Department has been selected with special reference to the wants of our country friends.

We have in store, and to arrive

10 bbls. Va. Pan Sugar,
20 " N. Orleans "
15 " White "
20 Bags Coffee,
25 bbls. Syrup,
10 " Prime Syrup,

with Teas, Spices, Soaps, Candles, &c., &c.

Our Stock of Hardware has been much enlarged, and we call the attention of Farmers and Builders to the opportunity of saving money by giving us a call. We now have a full stock of

Rolled and Hammered Iron,
Nails, and Horse Shoes,
Nail Rods, Horse Shoe Nails,
Forks, Shovels and Spades,
Locks, Hinges and Screws,
Pen Knives and Table Cutlery,
Barn door Hangers, and Coffee Mills,
Trace, Breast, Halter and Fifth chains,
Hatchets, Hammers and Saws,

with many other articles in this line—also

The Lightning Saw,

the Hand, Wood (or Buck) and Cross-cut Saw—an entirely new make, for this market. Read this certificate:

"We note as a proof of the ease that permits sustained effort, the sawing by hand of twenty-six cords of hard wood, in eight hours, by two men with one saw, once filed. This is wonderful." BAKER BROS.

may 7 tf

THE WOOD RAT TRAP.

The Steel Spring Rat Trap,
The Self setting Rat Trap,
The Self-setting Mouse Trap,
White-wash Brushes,
Feather Dusters,
Counter Brushes,
Hatchet Handles,
Laundry Clothes Baskets,
Market Baskets,
Coffee Mills,
Pepper Box Stove Polish,
Fruit Soaps,
Fancy Toilet Soaps,
Extra Steeled Axes,
Horse Brushes,
Curry Combs,
Horse Cards,
Tacks,
&c., &c., &c.,

and a large assortment of other goods too numerous to mention

at

R. D. SEARS, Ag't.

july 2

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 toasted;
Tea, that is tea;
Sugars, of all kinds;
Molasses, Vinegar,
Flour—best grade;
All kinds Crackers,
Cheese and Macaroni,
Lard, Bacon, Rice,
Candles, Soaps,
Canned
Tomatoes, Peaches, Corn,
Matches, Brooms, Waiters,
Looking Glasses, Baskets,
Buckets, and the largest
Stock of Queensware
In the Valley.

Buys and sells all kinds of Country Produce.

R. M. AYRES, R. M. AYRES,

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We refer to the following persons who have used it with great success, viz:

Benjamin Crawford, Geo. M. Cochran,
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Col. Wm. D. Anderson, John S. Churchman,
M. W. D. Hogshead, H. P. Dickerson,
Wm. Bell Crawford and others.

Leave your orders early.

au-28 P. B. HOGE & BRO.

200 SACKS LIVERPOOL SALT, in prime order,

For sale very low for cash.

JAMES H. BLACKLEY,

directly opposite Court-house,

no28 Staunton, Va.

P. B. HOGE & BRO.,

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aug4—

3,000 LBS. COUNTRY-CURED HAMS, and a full stock of Sides, Shoulders and Breasts, for sale low.

J. W. TODD & CO.,

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FLOUR! FLOUR!! FLOUR!!!

The best brands and grades for family use, always on hand and sold at reasonable rates.

Remember the place,

july 2 C. A. RICHARDSON.

CASH STORE! Cash Store!!—Buy your Groceries Cheap and pay the Cash. A choice stock of Family Groceries at the lowest prices for the Cash. "Quick sales and small profits."

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Sugars, Coffees, Syrups, Salt, Cotton Yarns and a general supply of Staple and Fancy Groceries, sold at the Lowest Cash prices at C. A. RICHARDSON'S.

Groceries and Produce.

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A prime lot of choice sugar-cured Hams,
The brighest sugar in town for 12½ cents,
The best brand of condensed milk,
Easy washing soap,
Five and Ten gallon Kegs,
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Wooden Spickets,
Towel Racks,
Dooley's Yeast Powders,
Twin Brothers Yeast Powders,
Hosford's Yeast Powders,
Davis & Miller's Yeast Powders,
Concentrated Lye,
Sealed Measures,
Stove Blacking,
Floor Mops,
Scrubbing Brushes,
Cheese Safes,
Lemon Squeezers,
Cup Mops,
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Sugar Boxes, Flour Pails,

Chickens and Fresh Vegetables constantly on hand. R. D. SEARS, agent.

QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE, STONEWARE, &c., at reduced prices.—The largest and prettiest assortment in the Valley; also table cutlery, looking glasses, waiters, and baskets of all kinds.—Self-sealing fruit cans, &c.

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Special attention given to supplying WEDDING and SOCIAL PARTIES,

Candies of all descriptions manufactured and sold, wholesale and Retail, as cheap as can be purchased in the Valley or the State.

N. B.—My accounts are all made off, and persons knowing themselves indebted are earnestly requested to come forward and settle. june18

TOBACCO! TOBACCO!!—Chewing and Smoking—various brands and grades—sold as cheap as possible, at

july 2 C. A. RICHARDSON'S.

WOOL! WOOL!!—20,000 lbs. of Wool wanted, at highest market prices. Cash or goods *at cash prices*. Washed wool *preferred*, by BAKER BROS.

april 2 3tf

Wheat Fan!—We have a No. 1 wheat Fan, such as we have been using several years, and know to be a first rate article—for sale at moderate figures.

au8-tf BAKER BROS.

TEAS! TEAS!! TEAS!!!—Gunpowder, Green, Japan and Black, of the best qualities and at the lowest prices.

july 2 C. A. RICHARDSON.

CHEESE.—Young America, Pine Appie, and N. Y. State Cutting Cheese on hand and for sale by CHARLES C. WHEAT.

Threshing Machine

WITH 8 AND 10 HORSE

Mounted and Down Powers.

MADE BY THE WELL KNOWN

AULTMAN & TAYLOR M'F'G CO.,

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The brilliant success *of these Improved Grain-Saving, Time-Saving and Money-Earning Threshing Establishments is unparalleled in the annals of Farm Machinery. Largely increased earnings are reported by Threshermen who have purchased—A great saving of grain by Farmers who have employed—Three years introduced and proven*—**Fully Established**—*No experiment—In use in* 400 *Counties in* 16 *States by* 1700 *purchasers—Endorsed by forty thousand farmers who have employed them*—**Grain-Saving**—*Matchless "separating" principle—They shake the grain out of the straw—No Beaters, Pickers, Raddles or Endless Aprons—No clogging or "wrapping" in Flax or Wet Straw—"Overblast" Fan—Sieves have over eleven square feet of surface*—**Many kinds of Work**—*Great "capacity" in Wheat, Rye, Oats, Barley, Buckwheat, Peas, Beans, Millet, Hungarian, etc.—Unapproachable in Flax—Unrivaled in Wet Straw and Grain—Unsurpassed in Timothy*—**Time-Saving**—*No littlerings to clean up—No detention from wet straw, high winds, puttering, clogging or bad weather—Quickly set and moved*—**Simply constructed**—*Easily managed—Remarkably light draft—Very durable—Cheaply kept in order—only about* ONE-HALF *as many Belts, Gear Wheels, Boxes, Journals, Shafts and Pulleys to clog, wear out, add to draft, or to keep in repair as in Endless Apron Machines—More conveniences and less to annoy—All the latest improvements*—**Money-Making**—*Faster threshing—Less detention—Choice of jobs—Extra Prices for work—Farmers wait for weeks and months—Elegant—Finely Finished—Salable.*

Investigate!

Call *on the* **undersigned,** *(or send your name and post office address), and get a* **Factory Price List** *and* **Descriptive Pamphlet** *(free) containing 60 illustrations and letters from hundreds of purchasers.* **"Complete Threshing Establishments,"** *as well as* **Horse-Powers** *"alone,"* and **Separators** *"alone."*

FOR SALE BY

E. C. VINCENT,
Churchville,
ap9-tau1 Augusta county, Va.

AULTMAN & TAYLOR'S **Threshing Machines.**

The undersigned are the SOLE AGENTS for Augusta county, for the above celebrated Thresher.

We are prepared to furnish said Thresher, with "Mounted" or "Down" power, at Factory prices, adding freight, and on liberal terms.

Any other parties soliciting sales of said Thresher in our territory, (Augusta county) will be summarily dealt with.

may 21 tf WOODS & GILKESON.

The "CHAMPION."

We would invite the attention of Farmers in need of Reapers and Mowers, to the

"CHAMPION."

We have in our Store now, ready for operation, this celebrated Machine; put up both as a Mower and Self Rake Reaper, and it will give us pleasure to show the operation of them to parties fond of looking at superior machinery, whether they wish to purchase or not. We sell it either as a Self Raker or a Dropper.

WOODS & GILKESON.

april 16 tf

THRESHING MACHINES.

We would call the attention of Threshers and others to the

"Russell Thresher,"

with "Mounted or Down Power."

These Threshers have been in successful operation for many years, and during the last two seasons over 2,000 of them have been sold.

We are also agents for Russell's Combined Clover Thresher and Huller, and will be glad to furnish circulars to any parties desiring information as to either of the above.

june 25 tf WOODS & GILKESON.

H. J. LUSHBAUGH & BRO.,

Manufacturers of

Sash, Doors, Blinds,

BRACKETS, MOULDINGS, FLOORING, &c. &c. &c.

Near Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Depot,

STAUNTON, VA.

N. B.—No material but seasoned lumber used by us. dec5-1yr

HENKEL'S HORSE LINIMENT

FOR SALE AT

WAYT & BRO'S Drug Store.

june 18 3m*

Legal Notices.

TO CONTRACTORS.—Sealed proposals will be received until August 10, 1872, at 12 M. by the Committee on Streets, for furnishing and setting 4,500 feet of stone curbing, and laying 4,000 yards of brick paving. Specifications—1st, 2000 feet of curbing to be dressed to a uniform thickness of 4 inches above ground, and not less than 18 inches deep, with a paved gutter 2 feet wide.

2nd, 2500 feet of curbing, to be dressed to a uniform thickness of 5 inches above ground, and not less than 18 inches deep, with a paved gutter 2 feet wide.

For paving, the best quality paving brick will be required, the same to be laid in river sand.

Bids for curbing will be made by the running foot; for paving by the square yard, and bids will be received for a part or the whole of the work

Parties contracting will be required to enter into bond with satisfactory security for the faithful performance of their contracts; all work to be done under the superintendence and direction of the Committee on Streets, and the Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

H. KER,
JNO. B. EVANS, } Committee
R. M. GUY, } on Streets.

july23-3t Town papers copy

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—I am required to make a final settlement of the estate of John Churchman, deceased, and notify all persons indebted to the estate that longer indulgence than the *first of next September* cannot be given, and unless then paid the collection will be enforced.

JOHN S. CHURCHMAN,

Surviving Ex'or of John Churchman, dec'd.

july 23-3t

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

Staunton Va., July 10th, 1872.

To all Persons claiming as heirs-at-law to Mary B. Kenney, dec'd:

Take notice that, in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, rendered on the 19th day of June, 1872, in a cause therein depending in the name of James M. Dunlap and others, Plaintiffs, vs. Alexander Gardner, in his own right, and as Administrator of Mary B. Kenney, dec'd., and others, Defendants, you are ordered to come forward on or before the 20th day of August next, and at my office in Staunton, prove your identity and rights as heirs-at-law, to the said Mary B. Kenney. Otherwise you will hereafter be precluded from asserting such rights.

Given under my hand as Commissioner in Chancery of the Circuit Court for said county on the day and year first aforesaid.

july 16 4ts J. W. GREEN SMITH.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—The creditors of S. H. Burnham and of Burnham & Gordon, contractors on Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, are required to forward their claims to the undersigned at *Covington, Virginia, by the 1st day of August*, 1872.

Accounts must be itemized, and to each must be appended an affidavit of correctness, and that no part of same has been paid.

ROBERT L. PARRISH, Trustee,

july 16 3ts and Attorney at Law.

NOTICE.—The accounts of J. A. & Y. M. Bickle are made off and ready for settlement.

Persons knowing themselves indebted to us are respectfully requested to come forward and settle *at once*.

july 16 3t J. A. & Y. M. BICKLE.

STAUNTON, Va., July 1st, 1872.

DISSOLUTION!—The Partnership heretofore existing under the style of

TAYLOR & KINNEY,

has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

All parties knowing themselves indebted to them will please call and settle in the next 30 days, as after that time the accounts will be placed in the hands of a lawyer for collection.—Mr. Jas. E. Taylor will settle the business of the late firm.

JAMES E. TAYLOR,
E. T. KINNEY.

NOTICE.

I take this occasion to thank my many friends for the very liberal patronage they have bestowed upon the late firm and it gives me pleasure to assure them that Mr. Taylor will spare no pains to keep up the old established reputation of the concern, as a first class Confectionery. Hoping that he will receive that patronage which he well deserves, I remain,

Very respectfully,

july 9 tf E. T. KINNEY.

A Card to the Public.—The subscriber takes this occasion to thank his many friends and the public generally for the kind and liberal patronage heretofore bestowed upon the late firm of Taylor & Kinney, and hopes, by prompt attention to business and fair dealing with all, to secure a continuance of the same.

Respectfully,

july 16 4ts JAS. E. TAYLOR.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.—In pursuance of a decree of the County Court of Augusta, entered June 25th, 1872, in the case of Hugh W. Sheffey vs. Jonathan Lamb and al., I shall proceed at my office, in Staunton, on *Thursday, the 1st day of August next*, to take and settle an account showing the sums due from Jonathan Lamb to the plaintiff and other parties, constituting liens upon the sums due from William Vance and George Vance to said Lamb by judgments, &c., &c. Parties claiming liens and on said judgments will report them to me on or before the day last above named.

JOS. A. WADDELL,

july 9 4ts Commissioner.

NOTICE.—I have this day sold my interest in the concern of J. W. Utley & Co., to J. W. Utley, who will in future conduct the business on his own account at the old stand. In retiring, I commend Mr. Utley to the public.

april 16 B. T. BAGBY.

Having purchased the interest of B. T. Bagby in the firm of J. W. Utley & Co., as above indicated, I shall continue the business in my own name at the old stand. I ask a continuance of the liberal patronage heretofore extended me.

april 1 J. W. UTLEY.

The BOOKS of J. W. Utley & Co., are in my hands for settlement, and the accounts must be closed. Parties indebted, will please call at my store, corner of Frederick and Augusta streets, and settle. J. W. UTLEY.

april 16

Land Sales.

SALE OF VALUABLE AND Highly improved REAL ESTATE, in Rockbridge county, 2 miles from Lexington.—The undersigned offers for sale his highly improved and valuable farm, lying on both sides of the Valley Plank road, 2 miles south of Lexington, Rockbridge county, Virginia. The real estate consists of **382½ acres,** about 100 acres are in fine timber and woodland, the balance in a high state of cultivation. The improvements consist of a

NEW BRICK DWELLING HOUSE

with tin roof, porticos, &c., and contains eleven rooms, and a brick kitchen, cistern, etc. Also stabling for horses, cattle, etc., granary, coach house, ice house, wood sheds, and every necessary out house. The garden adjoining the dwelling house comprises 15 acres, drained and highly improved with all permanent beds of fruits, etc., necessary for a market garden. A vineyard in bearing now of 5000 vines, and an orchard of 2000 trees.

The place is well watered, and has upon it ve tenant houses of four rooms each, well finished, plastered and painted, with stables attached thereto, so as to enable the farm to be conveniently divided and worked by different purchasers. The farm will be sold as a whole or will be divided to suit purchasers. There is upon the tract a quantity of limestone and a fine site for a kiln, and the fencing is nearly all new, and in fine order. For terms, &c., address,

JOHN B. LADY,
or my agent, F. W. HENDERSON,
jan10-tf P. O. box 60, Lexington, Va.

To Physicians and Land Buyers.

LAND FOR SALE.

I wish to sell a part, or the whole of my farm, known as "Hermitage," 5 miles from Waynesboro', and 10 miles from Staunton, containing

130 Acres.

The land is in a fine state of cultivation, and handsomely improved. There are two Orchards of about 500 bearing fruit trees, selected from the nursery. All together, this is one of the prettiest places in the county. It is a good country Store Stand, and is one of the best locations for a Physician in the county; being centrally situated between Waynesboro' and New Hope, and the Blue Ridge and Staunton, and in a densely settled neighborhood. I would sell the whole, or in lots to suit the purchaser, viz:—27, 50, 60, 75, 80, 103, or 130 acres. This is a rare opportunity for a man of small means, or desirous of a small property. Come and see it, or ask N. K. Trout, Esq., Staunton, Va.

SAML. KENNERLY, M. D.

P. S.—This is a Post Office, with a Tri-weekly mail. may 21 tf

Poetry.

THE OLD COUPLE.

"They sat in the sun together,
Till the day was almost done,
And then, at its close, an angel
Stepped over the threshhold stone.

He folded their hands together,
He touched their eye-lids with balm,
And their last breath floated upward
Like the close of a solemn psalm.

Like a bridal pair they traversed
The unseen, mystical road,
That leads to the beautiful city,
Whose Builder and Maker is God.

Perhaps, in that miracle country,
They will give her lost youth back,
And the flowers of a vanished spring time
Shall bloom in the spirit's track.

One draught of the living waters
Shall restore his manhood's prime,
And eternal years shall measure
The love that outives time.

But the shapes they left behind them,
The wrinkles and silver hair—
Made sacred to us by the kisses
The angel imprinted there,

We'll hide away in the meadow,
When the sun is low in the west,
Where the moonbeams cannot find them,
Nor the wind disturb their rest.

But we'll let no tell-tale tombstone,
With its age and date, arise
O'er the two who are old no longer—
In their Father's House in the skies."

EDITORIAL EXCURSION.

SYRACUSE.

On our way to Watertown, where the Editorial Association of New York was to hold its annual meeting, we passed through Syracuse, noted for its extensive salt-works, and stopped for about 3 hours to enjoy the hospitality of its kind citizens. We reached this city about half past eleven o'clock on Monday morning; were met at the depot by the Mayor and Common Council, the Police Commissioners, Representatives of the Press and many prominent citizens, who escorted us to the Globe Hotel, and seemed determined to overcome us with kind attention and most liberal hospitality. But the day's rest we had enjoyed at Geneva, enabled us to stand up under the many good things which were literally heaped upon us.

After partaking of the refreshments prepared for us at the hotel, we entered the carriages waiting to carry us around the city. As we had but three hours to remain in Syracuse, we could only get a glimpse of the many objects of interest in the city. Among others we remember the new Methodist University, in course of erection, situated upon an eminence from which can be had a splendid view of the city; Renwick Castle, with its extensive grounds filled with flowers, shrubbery and beautiful statuary, the residence of a merchant-tailor of Syracuse; the salt-works, through which we were conducted and the process of salt-making explained and illustrated; St. James street, with its splendid private residences and double row of shade trees, by far the most beautiful street we have seen in any city or town on our travels.—We were particularly struck with the large number of elegant private residences to be seen in this city. The houses are built principally of limestone, hammer-dressed, which, at a little distance, can scarcely be distinguished from granite. Each has a large yard in front and considerable space between it and the other buildings on either side, and what more particularly attracted our attention was the absence of any enclosure. There is no fence of any kind between the street and the yards, or between the yards of different houses. Sometimes the boundary is marked by broad limestone rock, embedded in the ground and not rising more than two or three inches above the surface, but that is all. Being accustomed to the high walls and fences which generally enclose our yards, both in country and town, t.is was a somewhat strange sight to us, but we must say we like it—it gives an impression of sociability, neighborly intercourse and friendly equality that is quite pleasing.

Upon our return to the hotel a splendid dinner was served, which was thoroughly and satisfactorily discussed. Several speeches were made abounding in expressions of welcome and mutual good-will. Mr. Lapham made a very eloquent and excellent speech on behalf of the press of Syracuse. In the course of his remarks he said he trusted that in our journey North we would run across only pleasant places, avoiding all Ku-Klux and other horrid things that harrow up men's souls, and that we might return home safely, bearing with us only pleasant remembrances. Near the close of the entertainment the following sentiment from Dr. R. F. Stevens was read by Mayor Carroll, who presided over the table:

"May the fraternal union of to-day be emblematic of a never-ending fraternity and union of States."

R. B. Berkeley of the Richmond *Whig* responded to the sentiment in an eloquent speech, which he was, however, obliged to cut very short, owing to the arrival of the hour for departure.

At five minutes past two, with three cheers on each side, we took the Eastern-bound train for Rome.

Among the amusing incidents of our stay in Syracuse was the introduction of the

"VIRGINIA GIANT,"

(as they called him up North) Mr. J. H. Foster of the Charlottesville *Chronicle*, to the Syracuse giant, Mr. George A. Ostrander. The meeting was very affectionate, and it was curious to watch them as they sized each other.

AT ROME

we stayed long enough to partake of the supper prepared for us, and exchange words of hearty good feeling, and regretted that we could not stay longer to become better acquainted with those who seemed so anxious to do all they could to add to our pleasure. When we reached

WATERTOWN,

we became the guests of the Editorial Association, and all of us received the kindest attention possible from the generous, hospitable and warm-hearted people of Watertown during the three days we spent with them. At the depot we were met by more than a thousand people, accompanied by the "Davis' Sewing Machine Band" which furnished the music during the whole three days. Pleasant quarters were assigned us at the Woodruff House, from whose proprietors and clerks we received the kindest attention during our stay. On Tuesday we attended the Convention at Washington Hall. The Hall was appropriately decorated by the hands of the fair ladies of Watertown. In the rear of the platform, back of the President's chair, a large banner was suspended, upon which was the following design: At the top a large quill pen with the word "Power" written underneath; still lower were two clasped hands with the words, 'North' and 'South,' and over all hovered the American Eagle. In the evening a splendid reception was given to the Editorial party by President Hall and lady, at their residence, and it was truly an elegant affair from beginning to end. The next morning about seven o'clock, we took the train for Cape Vincent, where we were escorted to the steamer "Watertown," on board of which we steamed down the St. Lawrence river to the

"THOUSAND ISLES."

Our trip among these lovely islands that, gem-like, deck the bosom of the St. Lawrence was truly delightful. The company was composed largely of ladies, a splendid band was on deck, and not unfrequently did the Southern boot keep pace with the dainty Northern slipper as they together threaded the mazes of the joyous dance. The day was one of June's loveliest, and the golden sunbeams were reflected from the gentle ripples of the clear St. Lawrence like diamonds in an emerald setting. All was joyous and happy as we sped down the English channel of this noble river, with the flag of the Union and the British banner waving over us. The scenery of the "Thousand Isles" is too beautiful to be described. We had expected to be delighted, but the beauty of the scenery far exceeded our brightest fancy. Sometimes we could almost touch the shores of the charming islands which stand so near each other that we could not decide upon the route for even half a mile ahead. The water had the loveliest tint, showing in the clear places beneath the dashing foam as we rushed through it.—And what a pleasure it was to lean over the rail, listen to the low, soft plashing, and forget that in the real life-voyage there are any difficult places and shoals full of danger. But we were soon aroused from thoughts like these by an unpleasant sound that broke upon our ear, and in an instant the boat struck upon a rock, but fortunately recoiled without receiving any injury. There was a considerable mixing up of the party about that time, and many graceful attitudes were assumed, probably with the intention of taking the threatened ducking as gracefully as the circumstances would allow.—Without further interruption, we pursued our route to "Pullman's Island," where a splendid dinner was provided for us by Senator Winslow of Watertown. The beautiful island on which we stopped is the property of Mr. Pullman, of "palace-car fame," who kindly tendered us the use of it. Our return to Watertown was as delightful as possible. We stopped half an hour at Clayton to partake of the hospitality of the Hubbard and Walton Hotels. At both hotels elegant tables were spread with fine cigars and the best of liquors. Those who wished to, partook according to their tastes, and though it is said that one editor made a "misprint" and "inserted" something else when he wanted wine, yet there was not a member in the whole party but was "proof" against any excess.

"The shades of Evening were falling fast" as we steamed away from Clayton amidst the waving of handkerchiefs and repeated cheers both from the boat and shore. Music, dancing and singing beguiled the way to Cape Vincent, where we arrived about half-past eight, and were transferred to the train which was waiting to take us back to Watertown. An hour's ride brought us to our destination, and a happier excursion party, we suppose, never left the city of Watertown or any other city.

Our letter is growing long, but we cannot close without mentioning the Davis Sewing Machine Band, which, by the gentlemanly conduct of its members, and their charming music, added no little to the pleasure and delight of the occasion. In our next we will try to give some account of the Grand Ball given by the citizens of Watertown to the Editors of New York and the South.

A. S. M.

For the Spectator.

First Night in a Skating Rink.

Mr. Editor:

Happening to be in your city the other day, I heard nothing talked of but the "Skating Rink," and as I had to remain over night and had never seen anything of that kind I was naturally anxious to go, and so go I did. When I got to the Town Hall, which they now call a "Skating Rink," I found it cleared out and a ring made all round it, something like a circus ring only it was made of chalk instead of sawdust. Well, says I, that looks queer, are they agoing to skate on chalk, but I had hardly gotten the words out when there came a fellow bearing right down upon me; I was somewhat afraid he was agoing to run into me, but he gave himself a little sort of a twist just as he got to me and slided along by, smiling ever so sweetly as if it was the nicest thing in the world to go along that way. As he passed I looked to see what he had under him to make him go so smoothly, and what do you think? He had a little four-wheeled wagon tied on to each foot. Well, says I, that beats anything I ever heard of, that's better than these two-wheel affairs they used to call velocipedes. Just then a fellow comes up to me and says, "Won't you try a pair?" Well, I thought it looked very easy, and they called it skating, so I thought I might try it just a little, for you see I had skated some last winter on a big pond near our house, and everybody said I did very well. So I told him to put them on; you see I wanted to tell them at home that I had skated at the great "Rink" in Staunton, where all the young men and pretty young ladies go every evening. He tied the little wagons on to my feet, all the time telling me not to be afraid, that it was just as easy as falling off a log, and so I afterwards found it, especially the falling part.

By the time I had gotten properly geared to the wagons, several other young fellows, just about as green as myself, had hitched up and we all drove out to take our places on the floor, which we did as quickly as possible, though not as gracefully as I have seen it done at a country dance. And some fellows seemed so well pleased with the position they occupied that they remained there for some little time. At length by a sort of a side movement like, they reached the nearest bench and then arose to a full sense of the delightful position they had occupied and hastened to resume it again. I never saw fellows try so hard to fall or fall so hard when they tried in my life. Falling seemed to be the order of the evening, but no one appeared to wait for the order. All this time, Mr. Editor, I was gradually *feeling* my way towards a pillar, on which to rest my aching head; and the fact is my head was the first thing I did rest against it, for as I approached and leaned forward affectionately towards it, my little wagons ran backwards and my head went forwards in a sort of inverse ratio. Now this was all mighty funny to the lookers-on but I "couldn't see it." But at length after many vain efforts I succeeded in maintaining that upright position natural to man and felt proud that I could "meet my friends once more" on an equal *footing*, if not on a stable equilibrium. I looked around me, and beheld the fellow I first saw, sailing, swimming, skimming around the room just as if those little wagons were running of their own free will, and I sorter believe they did, for mine ran any other way in the world than in the way I willed them to go. I tell you it was splendid to see this fellow go; he went so swiftly and smoothly. As he passed me the third time my admiration knew no bounds. I inquired who he was; somebody said *Dunn*. I thought he had challenged me for a race, so exclaiming, "if it were done when 'twere done, 'twere well 'twere done quickly" I rushed forward, no I started to rush forward, but I found I had made a mistake; he only meant to say that it was Mr. Dunn the skatist. I tell you, Mr. Editor, I became fairly excited when I saw a young lady slip out of some corner, on those little wheels and go gliding gracefully around the room like a "winged thing of light," and when this nice looking young fellow came along side of her, and they sailed right off together, I couldn't *stand* it any longer—started to pursue, and—sat down gently in a corner. But remembering the injunction, "to be up and doing with a heart for any fate," I soon regained my feet and spent the remainder of the evening so industriously in