Staunton Spectator.

Tuesday, December 16, 1873.

The Catamount will hop and the Funny Boy will give one of its smiles on next Monday.

Prof. Richard's class in the Virginia Female Institute will give a concert on Friday evening next in the Hall of the Mozart Institute.

Last week the barn of Rev. J. E. Massey of Albemarle was destroyed by fire. It was insured to the sum of $1,500, sufficient to cover the loss.

If you wish to enjoy a good laugh, go and see the new Chromos, "Pluck No. 1" and "Pluck No. 2," on exhibition and for sale at B. M. Clinedinst's Fine Art Gallery. de9 2t

A large and beautiful selection of fine Chromos, Paintings, Sterescopes and Sterescopic Views, suitable for Christmas presents, can be found at Clinedinst's Fine Art Gallery. Also a large stock of Frames. de9-2t.

Mr. Jas. W. Hudson, who advertised in the *Spectator* his farm on Christian's Creek for sale, containing 260 acres, divided it and sold one half, with the improvements, to Capt. C. G. Miller for $25 per acre.

We are sorry to announce that Prof. Agassiz died at Boston at 10½ o'clock P. M., on last Sunday. With his death one of the brightest lights of science is extinguished. He was a native of Switzerland.

Maj John A. Harman's nomination for Postmaster of the Staunton office having been confirmed by the Senate, he will enter upon the duties of his office on Monday next, the 22nd inst., instead of the 1st of January, as heretofore announced.

The members of Hiawatha Tribe, No. 39, I. O. R. M., are requested to be in attendance on their next meeting. A full attendance is desired. The Tribe have removed from their former place of meeting and now meet in the Hall belonging to the Sons of Temperance.

THE SPEAKERSHIP.—We are pleased to find the following expression of opinion in the Richmond *Whig*:

"The Hon. J. Marshall Hanger, who has presided with such grace, impartiality and ability, will doubtless be re-elected without opposition."

In the published proceedings of the Board of Supervisors last week, it was stated that the County Treasurer was allowed further time to make his report, whereas that officer is not required to make his annual report till after the 15th of March.

On Monday of last week, as Wm. Dickson, aged 24 years, a brakeman on a freight train on the Ches. & Ohio Railroad, attempted to get on the train at the White Sulphur Springs while the train was in motion, he failed to do so, and fell beneath the wheels of the car and was instantly killed.

CALL TO PAY UP SUBSCRIPTIONS OF STOCK.—A call is made upon the Stockholders of the Valley Railroad Company for the 1st and 2nd quotas, of 30 per cent, with interest, and the counsel of the company notify them that, if not paid before, they will move for judgments against them at the March term of the Circuit Court of this county.

Go see the new Chromo—"At the Fountain"—on exhibition and for sale at B. M. Clinedinst's Photograpic Art Gallery. Also the following new Chromos: "Beatice de Cenci," "Coming into Port," "Day Dreams," "Mater Dolorosa." The Beatitudes—No. 1.—"Blessed are the pure in heart;" No 2.—"Blessed are they that mourn;" "Cinderella," and many others—large and small—suitable for Holiday Presents. 2t

LIST OF PATENTS.—The following patents were issued from the U. S. Patent Office to citizens of Virginia, for the week ending Nov. 25th, 1873. Reported for the *Spectator*, by Alexander & Mason, solicitors of Patents, 605 Seventh street, Washington, D. C.

Collar and Cuff drier—David W. De Forest, Petersburg.

TRADE MARK.

Guano—Guanahani Guano Co., Petersburg.
Plows—Hunter & Frost, Fredericksburg.

We are pleased to announce that Mr. Howell Fisher of Pottsville, Pa., has removed to this city to live. He is a man of extensive means and of business enterprise, and in conjunction with Messrs. Echols, Bell & Catlett, has purchased since the war a number of valuable tracts of mineral lands, coal and iron, on the line of the Ches. & Ohio Railroad. They have established several furnaces and have opened coal mines and are now delivering coal at this and other places.

CROWNED WITH A TILE.—Ed. S. Kemper, Esq., an enterprising and worthy citizen and successful merchant at Cross Keys, Rockingham county, has presented the Editor of the *Rockingham Register* with a very handsome and fashionable hat. If some other gentleman will now present him with a suitable suit of clothes he will be able to resume his attendance at church. The merchants of Harrisonburg should look to this matter. They are considered merchants of the right character, as they *do business upon the square.*

"PANTHER GAP IRON COMPANY."—It affords us pleasure to announce that another Iron Company has been chartered, the principal office of which is to be in this city. This Company is entitled the "Panther Gap Iron Company," and organized with the following officers: President, Supt. and Treasurer, Wm. R. Johnson of Richmond; Secretary, H. M. Bell; Directors, Samuel Coit of Hartford, Conn., Howell Fisher, John Echols, H. M. Bell and R. H. Catlett.—The capital is required not to be less than $40,000, and the possession of land is not to exceed 2,000 acres.

BIBLE SOCIETIES.—In the notice of the establishment of Bible Societies in the Valley, which we made last week, the name of Rev. S. D. Stuart was printed, by mistake, Wm. D. Stuart. Rev. S. D. Stuart is doing good work in the establishment of Bible Societies in the Valley counties. He has been very successful, and thinks the interest taken in other counties has been due to a considerable degree to the active interest manifested by prominent citizens of this city. It is hoped that the citizens of Augusta will be stimulated in turn by the active zeal awakened in every portion of the Valley, to *persevere* in the good work. There was not a single Bible Depository in the whole Valley—now there is one in every county. It is estimated that 6,000 persons in the Valley are without the Bible. Will not every church in Augusta help at once to supply this lamentable deficiency.

"THE PINE AND THE PALM."—This is the title of the handsome and interesting book furnishing an account of the trip of the Northern Editors to the South in 1871, and the return visit of the Southern Editors in 1872, under the leadership of Maj. N. H. Hotchkiss, the energetic and ubiquitous travelling agent of the Ches. & Ohio, and the Richmond & York River Railroads, edited and compiled by Mr. N. J. Watkins of Baltimore, and dedicated "to the editorial fraternity—the great lever that moves the world." The frontispiece contains a striking and life-like picture of the Major, with his long flowing beard and ever present pipe and characteristic beaming countenance, which no one could fail to recognize if he had ever seen the original.

We are indebted to him for a copy of "The Pine and the Palm," which we have read with much interest, and think that its circulation North and South would be productive of good results, and would tend to bridge the chasm of prejudice which exists, as it would cause the people of the two sections to form more correct opinions of each other, and to entertain for each other kinder sentiments of respect. To like each other better, it is only necessary to know each other better.

SERMON TO YOUNG MEN.

Ecclesiastes, xi, 9, and xii, 13, 14.—Rejoice, O young man in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou that for all these *things* God will bring thee into judgment.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man.

For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil.

Dr. Roszell preached the last of a series of sermons to young men from the above text, in the Methodist church, on last Sunday night.

He divided his subject into three grand divisions, as follows: "Man—his duty—his doom." In his former discourses, he treated of the two first divisions, and on this occasion he preached on "his doom"—"Know thou that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment."—Man's doom is his condition in the everlasting future, and will be determined by God according to his character in time. His doom is a certainty. If he refuse all the callings of the Holy Spirit, God will mock when his fear cometh.—There is a day of retribution. The voice of revelation declares its coming. Its evidences are plain. "God has appointed a day wherein He will judge all men." He died and rose again that he might be the judge of dead and living. The decisions of God will be impartial in their nature and everlasting in their issues. "God is not mocked—whatsoever a man soweth, that will he also reap." Justice feels no mercy and knows no malice. The judgment of God is according to truth. The heart of man will undergo the severest scrutiny. Nothing will mitigate the doom of the impenitent. "The soul that sinneth, it *shall* die." Nothing can turn away the stroke of right. The finally impenitent will be compelled to render a reluctant admission to the justice of the sentence. As man doeth, so God requiteth him. Not only will the sentence be just, but it will be irreversible—cannot be changed by the court of appeals—will never be set aside. Justice will claim the payment of all arrearages.

The sinner, in his imprudence, makes a raid upon hell. Better deny the existence of God than invest the mind with the single attribute of benevolence. It is more flagrant to deny God's justice than His existence; either one saps the foundation of religion. It assimulates the immaculate with the most vile. Continue not in sin because sentence is not executed speedily. Beware of the doctrine of Universalism. Genuine penitence brings pardon.

The judgment angel is constantly recording every action. Every one is responsible to God—just as responsible as if he were the only occupant of the earth. Every act and whisper is recorded: God is everywhere, beholding the evil and the good—in heaven and hell—He is omnipresent. While he bespangles the garments of the angels, He weaves the winding sheet of the damned.

"What is man that thou art mindful of him?" Come to Jesus in the morning of life. The stars shall be swept away—the foundations of the earth will topple. He shall descend to summon the millions to His bar. On that day will be clearly revealed the value of religion. "My son, give me thine heart." Religion in youth prevents many of those sins which grace may pardon, but rarely ever does it. God speaks through the spirits of departed parents and friends—"My son, give me thine heart."

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments; for this is the whole duty of man."

MEMPHIS ORPHANS.—The Young Ladies of the Augusta Female Seminary will give a CONCERT in their Chapel, on the evening of December 23rd for the benefit of the Memphis Orphans.

The programme will be rich and varied and a Musical Joke will be introduced into Part 2d.

Admission, 50 cents. Doors open at 7½ o'clock.

Tickets can be had at the Stores of Olivier & Wheat and Hunter & Co., and at the door 2t

We invite attention to the advertisement of the Leonard Scott Publishing Company, for 1874. Their republications of the English Quarterlies and Blackwood are furnished at a cheaper rate than they can be procured in England. Without disparagement to the many excellent periodicals published in this country, it can be safely said that none of them will compare in solid merits and scholarly finish with these standards of British current literature.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.—The show windows in all parts of the town indicate not only that Christmas is coming, but also that our merchants are making extensive preparations to supply the demand for good-will offerings and delicacies indulged in at Christmas. Already the eyes of the children begin to glisten at the prospect of presents and goodies in store for them, and each little breast is filled with impatience for the coming Christmas morn.

POSTPONEMENT—FOURTH GIFT CONCERT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY OF KENTUCKY—A CARD TO THE PUBLIC.—The Trustees of the Public Library of Kentucky and the management of the Gift Concert, announce the postponement of the Fourth Gift Concert until Tuesday, the 31st of March next.

The public will readily understand the causes which have made this postponement necessary.

The financial panic which has for the last two months paralyzed the business of every section of this country and of Europe, has prevented thousands from investing in tickets. The epidemics pervading almost the entire South have cut off a large and available market. And, too, the public judging from the effects of these causes have expected a postponement and have declined to invest without a more positive assurance of the drawing taking place on a fixed day.

All interested, desire a full drawing, but for the reasons just stated this could not be had on the 3rd of December, but the short postponement now announced will secure it.

The management have met with unprecedented success. The sales of tickets, the proceeds of which have already been received, amount to OVER A MILLION DOLLARS, with a number of agencies in this country yet to hear from and all those in Europe.

Thus a drawing (scaling the gifts one-half,) could be had now, but the management deem it best to have a postponement and a *full drawing.*

This postponement *assures the sale of all the tickets and* A FULL DRAWING. That this determination will meet with the approbation of nearly every one interested, is made apparent by the very humorous letters received from every section of this country and the Canadas asking for a postponement.

This action of the management will work no detriment to any but will be for the good of all. By it the fortunate ticket-holders will receive their gifts *in full*, while it will not affect those who do not draw gifts.

In making this announcement the management *emphatically state that there shall be no further postponement*, and to this end all agents will be imperatively required to close up and transmit their accounts to this office by the 21st of March.

THOS. E. BRAMLETTE,
dec16-1t Agent Public Library, Ky.

For the Spectator.

Mr. Editor:—This article was taken from a late number of the *Virginia Herald*, Fredericksburg. It is important—the millers in the Valley should cut it out and paste it up in a conspicuous place near the *meal chests*, because curious, inquisitive people sometimes weigh after them. We wish the *Vindicator* and *Virginian* and both the Rockingham papers will please copy, as all are interested.

A VALLEY FARMER.

THE MILLER'S GUIDE.—Law and usage permit a miller in Virginia to take one-eighth toll for grinding corn. Fifty-six pounds being the standard bushel for corn and forty-eight pounds the standard for a bushel of meal, the following table, prepared at Parr's Mill, says a writer in the Warrenton Index, will show precisely to the miller, without making a calculation, the number of ounces or pounds due from him to a customer on the fractional part of a bushel after toll has been extracted:

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"	3	" "	"	2 "	9 1-7	"
"	4	" "	"	3 "	6 6-7	"
"	5	" "	"	4 "	4 4-7	"
"	6	" "	"	5 "	2 2-7	"
"	7	" "	"	6 "	"	"
"	8	" "	"	6 "	13 5-7	"
"	9	" "	"	7 "	11 3-7	"
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"	11	" "	"	9 "	6 6-7	"
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On Sunday morning of last week, a cow was drawn from the bottom of a deep well near the Railroad depot in Harrisonburg.

The Sacrament of the Holy Communion will be administered at Mt. Moriah on the third Sabbath of December.

On Saturday previous there will be preaching at 11 A. M. and at 2 P. M. Prizes also delivered to the children of the Sunday School at the conclusion of the afternoon service.

Persons will please come prepared with lunch that they may remain till last service.

dec16-1t J. I. MILLER, Pastor.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS remaining in the Staunton Post-Office, for the week ending Dec 13th, 1873:

GENTLEMEN.

Bosserman J C	Moris Jock
Benford J C	Moore Esau
Becks John	Meeks N J
Booker H	Mura P H
Brown Geo	Murray Prof P H
Cook A G	McComb J R
Cook J T	McIntic J A
Crawford W Bell	Mosby Jno col
Coleman Sam'l	Morgan Frank
Clarke R S	Mcbiney C W
Carmody Michael	Payne John R
Cary Lewis	Pleasents R S
Coursey J F	Patterson S W
Carson John 2	Page George
Crossing Junius	Quain Prof W F M
Christopher H B	Rohds Saml
Clarke Geo P	Rynolds W F
Carmody Michael	Reagan T B
Dixon Wm B	Rouke W R
Clarke T E	Sulevan T
Davis Pond 2	Thomas Johnson
Dull C F	Sheets Jacob M
Clarke J S	Sulise Chas
Ewen W B M	Sedor H
Fax W H	Shuey John
Erwin John	Smith James H
Farce M	Swink W
Echard H	Smith Thos
Eubanks H	Smith W M
Ellis C	Suldegs A
Farrer Mr	Turk A S
Fisher R H	Turk W R
Figgatt R H 3	Tally Jessie
Furr E	Taris A S
Gorden W F	Vanfossen John
Gannon James	Venable Parb
Hogan Patrick	Ware Capt J H Reg
Harris Wyett	Wright J A
Hagun E	Way James S
Huivey C	Wright John
Johnson W M	Williams T J
Jenkins James	Williamson, T D
Kenny P	Wells Saml
Lesly Betsy	Williams C L
Long John	Watson Wm
Kelley Francis	Warrington Mr 3
Logan J A	Worker D F
Lyick Geo	Wodder B
Lewis F	

LADIES.

Alexander mrs M	McQuade miss V
Boxley mrs	Masy miss Viney
Brewer miss M J	Maybush M H
Bailor miss S	Moon miss H S
Brown miss M	Powen miss A H
Brown miss Emma	Powell miss B
Bowles Charlotte	Powers miss N D 2
Burwell miss F	Pbose miss M J
Coffelt mrs M A	Perkins mrs F
Cregle mrs M T	Quarls mrs R
Carwell miss M E	Madison mrs M
Cosbey miss Mary	Ross mrs L
Crawford mrs M J	Rods miss B
Casy miss Julia	Rowan miss Bell
Charlton miss L 2	Raglin miss Anna
Charlton miss L M Reg	Shumate mrs C 2
Coiner miss E L	Tyler mrs
Dickinson miss F	Sheets mrs J D
Fraction miss M	Sheets Jacob M
Gear miss M 2	Shaver miss S C
Gardner miss K	Thompson miss Anne
Gorden mrs C	Taylor Churchvill
Harris mrs L	Tyler mrs A M
Hardy mrs M	West miss L
Johnson M C	Wallace miss' H
Jackson miss E	Wellshire mrs M
Johnson miss L A	White miss B
Keller miss Jennie	Yates mrs F
Lewellen miss E	Yancy Sarah

Persons calling for Letters in the above list should state that they are "Advertised" to distinguish them from the daily mail. As a list of Advertised letters are made up every week, the date of the paper in which they appear should be given. E. H. SEARS, P. M.

The Postmaster General has entered upon an insane crusade against country newspapers, and is the pliant tool of the large city dailies which desire to crush out the smaller neighborhood newspapers, which help to control and keep more pure the political atmosphere in their various localities.

Not content with imposing the tax (onerous upon nine-tenths of the newspapers of the whole country,) of prepayment of postage on exchanges, he now stupidly recommends that every publisher prepay postage on all papers sent to subscribers! None but the large and wealthy publishers can afford this, and, of course, poorer ones must go down.

It is another step towards centralizing the power of the Press in the hands of purchasable proprietors, and is a vital stab at the true "Liberty of the Press."

Let every newspaper in the country urge upon Congress the immediate repeal of the law compelling payment on exchanges and smite this further attempt to throttle free expression of opinion throughout the country.—*Fred. News.*

A great deal of stealing is going on in and near the "old town" of Winchester. The *Times* says:

"We hear every day of thefts in the town and country. Nothing portable is safe, if left exposed even for a short time after nightfall."

43d CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION.

SENATE, Friday, Dec. 5th.—The Senate was not in session to-day, having on Thursday adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.—In the House Mr. Bundy, of Ohio, introduced resolutions, which were referred to appropriate committees, directing the committee on banking and currency to report a bill to prohibit national banks from paying premium or interest on deposits, and to amend the banking act so as to allow the banks to invest surplus revenues in United States bonds convertible into currency on presentation. Also instructing the committee on the judiciary to report amendments of the bankrupt act so as to allow involuntary bankruptcy only where evidence of collusion and fraud exists. On motion of G. F. Hoar, of Massachusetts, the Secretary of the Navy was directed to furnish all information in his possession relative to claims of compensation for services rendered in the rescue of the officers and crew of the Polaris. After the announcement of the standing committees the House adjourned until Monday.

SENATE.—Monday, Dec. 8th.—In the Senate, Merriman, of North Carolina, presented the resolution of the Legislature of that State, asking a modification of the Internal Revenue laws.

Spencer, of Ala., introduced a bill in relation to the United States Courts in that State.

Stevenson, of Kentucky, introduced a bill providing that busts of the late Chief Justice Taney and Chase be placed in the Supreme United States court-room.

Mr. Windon, of Minnesota, introduced a bill incorporating the Southern Trans-Atlantic railroad, and giving it the right of way through the public lands. Referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. West introduced a bill protecting the public works on the Mississippi river, also for the better organization of the District Court for Louisiana.

Mr. Cooper introduced a bill relieving the East Tennessee University. Mr. Gordon of Georgia, moved that the papers in the case of Francis W. Sykes, of Alabama be referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections, and that the committee have power to send for persons and papers; so ordered. Sykes is a contestant for the seat now occupied by Spencer, of Alabama.

Sunderland was elected Chaplain, and Young Executive Clerk.

The bill repealing the salary increase was argued.

HOUSE.—The House was engaged in the call of States for bills. A large number were introduced.

A vast number of bills were introduced, including one for the payment of French spoliations; refunding proceeds of cotton illegally seized; granting lands for a railroad from Decatur, Ala., to Rome, Georgia, for a ship canal near St. Phillips, La.; for steamship service between New Orleans and Mexican ports; to reimburse pensioners dropped during the war.

Mr. Maynard, of Tennessee, from the Committee on Rules, reported a bill removing all disabilities imposed and remaining on any person by the third section of the 14th article of the amendment to the Constitution, and substituting for the iron-clad oath the modified oath now administered to persons from whom disabilities have been removed.

Mr. Lawrence, of Ohio, asked whether under that law Jefferson Davis might not obtain a seat in either House?

Mr. G. F. Hoar inquired whether the Committee on Rules had a right to report such an act of general legislation?

The speaker doubted very much whether that Committee had a right to report it, except under a call.

Mr. Hoar said he would not insist on the point.

Mr. Butler, of Massachusetts, said that he would

Mr. Maynard moved to suspend the rules, and to receive and pass the bill. In reply to Mr Lawrence's question, he said that the late President of the Southern Confederacy might as well as the Vice President have a seat in either house, provided the people should think proper to send him

Mr. Butler, of Massachusetts, said he would not object to the bill if it had been examined by and was reported from a committee.

Maynard said it was the unanimous report of the Committee. The bill was then passed by a vote of 141 to 29

SENATE.—Tuesday, Dec. 9th.—In the Senate to-day a bill was introduced by Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, providing for the resumption of specie payment and free banking. By Mr. Ingalls, providing for the annual appropriation of $500 000 for arming and equipping the militia of the United States. By Mr. Pratt, of Indiana, a bill relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, providing in certain cases for the reversal of decisions of the highest courts of the States. The Vice President gave notice that he would be absent after to-day, and that a president pro tem would have to be elected.—Adjourned.

HOUSE.—In the House a bill from the committee on ways and means was passed to redeem the $20 000 000 loan of 1858 in gold.—The day was consumed in discussion of the bill to repeal the law for the increase of salaries.—The debate was at times spicy, but thoroughly good humored—in fact funny. Mr. Cox, of New York, and others succeeded in putting the best face on the matter possible. Mr. O'Brien, of Maryland, made his maiden speech, in the course of which he took occasion to say that the press and people of his State did not so much object to the salary increase as to other objectionable features of the law, particularly the retroactive clause. The House, at 4 o'clock P. M., adjourned

SENATE.—Wednesday, Dec 10 h.—In the Senate to-day Mr. Ferry, of Michigan, introduced a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue the forty-four million reserve and make it a part of the permanent circulation; referred to the committee on finance. Mr. Hamilton, of Maryland, offered a constitutional amendment providing that only gold and silver coin shall be a legal tender for public or private debts. A majority and minority report from the committee on finance were submitted with regard to devising measures to redeem the pledge of public faith, and providing for a currency of uniform value. It was agreed that reports should be taken up on Monday. The House amnesty bill was received and read for the first time, and the Senate after an executive session adjourned.

HOUSE.—In the House Mr. Phillips, of Kansas, introduced joint resolutions condemning the Virginius massacre, and recognizing Cuban independence, which were referred to the committee on foreign affairs. A bill from the naval committee was passed authorizing the employment of ten thousand men in the navy, but limiting the increase of force to January, 1875. A bill was reported from the committee appropriating the $5 000 000 asked by Secretary Robeson for the navy, and referred to the committee of the whole. The House then resumed debate of the salary repeal bill, adjourning without action.

SENATE.—Thursday, Dec. 11th.—In the Senate, the Vice President being absent, Hon. M. H Carpenter, of Wisconsin, and Allen G. Thurman, of Ohio, were presented as candidates for president pro tem. Mr. Carpenter was elected and took the chair. Mr. Howe introduced a bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to regulate the sale of alcoholic liquors; referred to committee on finance. Mr Sumner called up his bill on finance, and argued in favor of specie resumption and against inflation On his own motion the bill was referred to the committee on finance Resolutions were introduced, by Mr Gordon calling for a detailed statement of the amount saved by the abolition of the franking privilege; by Mr. Davis, directing the secretary of the Senate to furnish all the information in his power relative to the compensation of members of Congress from the foundation of the government. The resolutions in both cases were ordered to be printed, and the Senate, after an executive session, adjourned until Monday,

HOUSE.—In the House of Representatives a resolution was adopted instructing the committee on elections to report the best method of electing presidents and vice presidents of the United States, &c. A resolution was adopted calling upon the Postmaster-General for information as to the number of postal savings bank and telegraph employees that would be necessary under his proposed schemes. The committee on education reported a bill to establish an educational fund, and to give the proceeds of public land sales to the education of the people. The salary repeal bill was further discussed, the chief event of which was a speech from Hon. Alexander H. Stephens, of Georgia, in favor of the increased pay for congressmen, President, judiciary, cabinet officers, and others His words were heard with marked attention After further debate the House refused to second the demand for the previous question on the bill. Mr. Orth moved its recommitment with instructions to the committee to report a bill repealing all increase of salaries absolutely so far as it can be done constitutionally, and to equalize the pay of congressmen so as not to exceed $6 000 per annum. Pending further consideration the House adjourned.

SENATE.—Friday, Dec. 12th.—The Senate was not in session to-day.

HOUSE.—In the House, the Senate bill was passed relieving of their disabilities Thomas S. Bocock, E. J. Harvie, and D. Grigg, of Virginia, and Jno. H. Reagan, of Texas. The Speaker laid before the House the letter of the Secretary of War in relation to the mismanagement of the bureau of freedmen, and charging General O O. Howard with irregularities; referred to the committee on military affairs.—The discussion of the salary bill was resumed, and it was formally agreed to recommit it with instructions directing the committee to repeal the whole salary act, except with reference to judges of the Supreme Court, so far as it could be constitutionally done, and to ascertain the average amount of salary, milage, and all other allowances (exclusive of any estimate for the use of the franking privilege) paid to members of the Forty first Congress, and to report a bill determining the compensation of members hereafter at the amount as near as practicable thus ascertained, with necessary traveling expenses, restoring all other salaries as they were before the passage of said act.

The House then resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Tyner, of Indiana, in the chair, to consider the bill appropriating four millions of dollars to meet extraordinary emergencies in the Navay Department, to be divided among the various bureaus, allowing the appropriations to be transferred from one bureau to another if necessary.

In explaining the circumstances which called for this bill Mr. Garfield, of Ohio, stated that the Secretary of the Navy had asked for five millions, but the committee had cut it down a million. In the discussion that ensued Mr. Cox, commenting on an allusion to the Spanish complications, said that he did not believe there was fight enough in the house to kill a mouse; that our coast was in a defenseless condition; that it was a shame that we should be at the mercy of such a power as Spain. He wanted a better kind of diplomacy than that he had seen on the Spanish question.

The course of the government was defended by Messrs. Hale, Myers, Hawley of Connecticut, and others. Mr. Cox said that in charging the House with pusillanimity he had allusion to the act referring his resolutions for recognizing the beligerent status in Cuba to the committee on foreign affairs That all the soldiers from Connecticut were brave when sectional strife was pending, but when it came to defending the honor of the flag abroad they were cowardly to act. Mr. Hawley—excited and pulling up his coat-sleeve.—"If you want to know who are cowards you can find out."—Mr. Cox disclaimed any intention of discourtesy. The discussion of the bill was further continued, Mr. Archer, of Maryland, advocating it, saying that we needed a large number of armor-plated vessels. On motion of Mr. Beck an amendment was adopted requiring the President to communicate to Congress any order transferring appropriations from one bureau to another, and the reasons therefor. The bill was then passed as amended, and the House, at 4,20 P. M., adjourned until Monday.

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Married.

On the 10th inst., Mr J. W Wilson, of Ind,, and Miss Eloise Carpenter of Louisa co., Va.

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On Sunday morning, Dec. 14th, 1873, by the Rev. James Murray, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Paul A. Mix, of Staunton, to Miss Rebecca Blauth, daughter of A. Blauth, Esq., of Greenville.

On the 11th inst., at the residence of Rev. Dr. Manly, in this city, Mr. Benj. M. Smith to Miss Mary A. Gibbs, daughter of the late Joseph N. Gibbs, all of this city.

On December 4th, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Chas Manly, D. D., Mr. John R. Swain, formerly of Danville, to Miss Laura G. Candler, of this place.

On Tuesday, December 9th, in Staunton, by Rev. Chas Manly, Mr. John H Fuller to Mrs. Rebecca S Greaver, both of this place.

On the 27th ult., at the residence of the bride's father, Mr F. F. Powell, of Nelson county, by Father McVerry, Edward C. King, son of C. F. King, of Baltimore and Miss Cornelia Powell.

At Stafford Store, Stafford county, Va., on Thursday evening, November 20th, 1873, by Rev. Mr. Newman, Charles Jewel, Esq., of Lexington, Va., and Miss Scythia Tolson of Stafford county.

On Thursday, the 4th inst, by the Rev. J. C. Hensell, John Calvin Argabright and Miss Lizzie Ann Brown, all of Rockingham county, Va.

On November 27th, by the Rev. —— Wine, Cyrus Dove, of Dovesville, and Miss Gochenour, of Hardy county, W. Va.

At Forestville, Shenandoah county, Va., on the morning of December 2d, by the Rev. J. S. Rennick, Benjamin F., son of Samuel C. Myers, Esq., to Miss Mary E. M., daughter of George W. Heagy, M. D., of Forestville, and formerly of Carroll county, Md.

On the 4th inst., by the Rev. E. D. Junkin, at the residence of Mrs. Mary Culton, near Brownsburg, Mr. Zachariah J. Culton and Miss Sarah Emily Gulley—all of Rockbridge.

On December 2d, at the residence of Mrs. Jordin, near Hillsboro', West Va., by the Rev. —— Baldwin, James Houltz, of Bath county, Va., and Miss M. N. Jordin, of Pocahontas county, W. Va.

On the 4th inst., at the bride's father's, at New Port, Page county, Va., by the Rev. S. Henkel, Philip Kite, to Miss Nancy, daughter of Isaac Louderback, both of Page county.

Recently, near Dovesville, Rockingham county, Va., by the Rev. —— Wine, Morgan Wetzel to Miss Sarah Stulls, all of Rockingham county

Deaths.

Obituaries are charged for at Advertising Rates. Notices of deaths published gratuitously.

Died, in Covington Va., Dec. 15th 1873, Mrs. Phelicia Kyle, sister of B. F. Points, of this city.

On the morning of the 25th of November, at the residence of her husband, Mr. William H. Wise near Staunton, Mary E. Wise, in the 35th year of her age, after a protracted illness of seven months.

The deceased was a great sufferer during this last illness, but she endured her sufferings with patience. She was perfectly resigned at the prospect of death, as she felt that Jesus had forgiven all her sins. She leaves a husband and two little children to mourn her loss.

On Monday morning, December 8th, at Dale Enterprise, Rockingham county, Va., Mrs Mary Ann Showalter, wife of Samuel F. Showalter, aged 28 years, 2 months and 24 days.

On the 11th day of August, 1873, near Dale Enterprise, Rockingham county, Va., Joseph Abram, son of Samuel F., and Mary Ann Showalter, aged 4 years, 2 months and 9 days

Near Ludlow, Champaign county, Illinois, on November 22nd, St Clair Hupp, aged 41 years, 6 months and 5 days.

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