Staunton Spectator.

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 1877.

Local Department.

☞ **Subscribers, Look at the Figures on your paper and make the calculation how much you owe us; then just imagine how much pleasure you can create in our hearts by giving us the trouble of changing them.**

SALES OF LAND ADVERTISED IN THE "SPECTATOR."

The following *memoranda* of sales of tracts of land and houses and lots refer to sales, public and private, advertised in the columns of this paper, to which, for particulars, attention is specially called:

PUBLIC SALES OF LAND.

Saturday, May 12.—H. M. Bell, substituted trustee, will sell three lots fronting on Carolina street, with new and valuable brick dwelling houses and out-buildings on them. Also a large number of valuable building lots lying along the Valley turnpike.

Saturday, May 12.—Geo. M. Harrison, com'r, will sell, in front of the Court-house in Staunton, a valuable farm of 118 a. 1 r. and 16 p., situated in the Southeastern part of Augusta county. Improvements good.

Monday, May 21—Alex. F. Mathews and Jno. W. Harris, com'rs, will sell in front of the Hotel in Lewisburg, Greenbrier county, W. Va., a number of valuable tracts of grazing and farming lands, the property of Matthew Arbuckle, Esq.

Thursday, May 17.—Ro. Cargill will sell 100 acres of land near Staunton.

Friday, May 25.—Messrs. Stuart and Bumgardner, com'rs, will sell on the premises that valuable real estate formerly owned and used by the Va. Porcelain and Earthenware Company and which was conveyed to Wm. Green and others, also the machinery, appliances, implements, &c. There are two tracts of land, one of 10 and the other of 100 acres.

Saturday, May 26.—Messrs. Cochran and Echels, com'rs, will sell 446 acres of very valuable land on Middle river, lately owned and occupied by Jacob Hanger, dec'd, situated about 6 miles from Staunton.

Monday, May 28.—Geo. M. Cochran, com'r, will sell in front of the court-house in Staunton two parcels of land near Waynesboro'. See advertisement.

Monday, May 28.—Messrs. Cochran, Fultz and Craig, comm'rs, will sell that valuable property known as Mt. Solon Mills.

Monday, May 28—Messrs. Baylor and Guy, com'rs, will sell 150 acres of land on South river. It has on it dwelling and other necessary out-buildings, water, fine fruit, &c.

Thursday, May 31—Alex. H. Fultz, Ex'or, will sell, on the premises, on the Churchville road, 4 miles from Staunton, the tract of land containing 286 acres, of which David Hupman died seized. The tract will be divided into two farms of 143 acres each.

Thursday, May 31.—The com'rs J. H. McCue, Jas. Bumgardner and M. F. White will sell on the premises, near Mt. Solon, the mansion house tract containing 106 acres, and a woodland tract of 25 acres, now in the possession of Maj. J. M. McCue; also two other tracts of valuable land adjoining containing together 46 acres, 1 rood, 31 poles, may be sold at the same time.

Thursday, May 31—H. W. Sheffey, Trustee, will sell several tracts of land near Mt. Solon.

Friday, June 1st.—Messrs. Elder and A. White, com'rs, will sell 64½ acres of land, near Craigsville, with a log dwelling, nearly new, on the premises.

Friday, June 1.—Messrs. Anderson and Cochran, com'rs, will sell 164 acres of valuable land on Middle river, known as the Samuel Sterrett farm. Sale will take place in front of the Court-house.

LANDS OFFERED AT PRIVATE SALE.

LOCK BOX 233, Staunton, Va., wishes to exchange a valuable city residence for a small farm near the city. See advertisement.

R. E. POGUE offers 5,700 acres of timbered land in Lewis county, Va., and a No. 1 Circular Saw Mill. Address, Quincy, Lewis Co., Ky.

MR. H. A. PALMER offers a valuable mill property for sale, located on Middle river, near Spring Hill.

MR. T. D. RANSON offers for sale a Cottage House and lot on east Main street. Terms easy.

MR. S. J. BONDURANT offers for sale a fine farm of 180 acres, located near Fishersville, in Augusta county.

JONATHAN KOINER, Executor of Jacob Coyner, dec'd, offers a tract of land for sale privately—known as the "Grove tract," containing 110¾ acres, on the waters of Long Meadows about 2 miles from Fishersville depot, one-half cleared and the rest finely timbered. Address, Jonathan Koiner, Waynesboro'.

SAMUEL H. STEELE offers for sale privately a portion of his Home Farm, near Fishersville, in this county. He will sell 135 or 140 acres as the purchaser may wish, with 25 or 30 acres heavily timbered. Address, Samuel H. Steele, Waynesboro'.

Spool Cotton 3, 4 and 6 cents at Newton's.

It would no doubt be highly amusing, and at the same time astonishing to see a complete list of all the expressive and "powerful" names of the multitude of short-lived medical preparations placed upon the market during the past few years as "most wonderful discoveries" and "infallible cures," (*In hoc signo vinces,*) by unscrupulous speculators and adventurers who, recognizing the value of advertising, seek by these means to obtain public favor and popularity for their doubtful and so often entirely worthless and even dangerous Preparations. And it is a genuine pleasure for us to commend DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP as one of the few really deserving medicines offered to the public. Its adoption by many of our intelligent Physicians is due only to its real worth and merit, and by thousands of families it is regarded as "the standard household remedy."

National Surgical Institute.—Two of the Surgeons of this notable Institute will visit Staunton, Va., MAY 25th and 26th, 1877, stopping at the Virginia Hotel. They will have with them a fine outfit of braces and surgical appliances, and will be prepared to treat all kinds of Deformities and Chronic Diseases, such as Club Feet, Hip Disease, Spinal Disease, Paralysis, Piles and Fistula, Catarrh, Private Diseases, Diseases of the Eye, &c. For full particulars, address NATIONAL SURGICAL INSTITUTE, Atlanta, Ga. may1-4t*

RABBI FOR THE HEBREW CONGREGATION OF HARRISONBURG.—The Hebrew congregation of Harrisonburg have engaged the services as Rabbi of Rev. Dr. Stern, formerly of Manchester, England. The *Old Commonwealth* says that "he preached in B'nai Brith Hall on Sunday morning of last week to a large congregation, and impressed his hearers that he was a ripe scholar and well versed in the history, laws and traditions of the Jewish people, who have preserved their religion and peculiar distinctions longer than any other.

Services will be held regularly in the same hall every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, until further notice.

Dr. Stern, in addition to his duties of Rabbi, will open a school for the children of his own congregation, to which will be admitted those of other sects also."

"La Modello Habana" Watson's Boys choice and After Dinner Cigar at
apr10-1m. FIFER & CO.'S

ADVERTISING HER HUSBAND.—Mrs. Susannah R. Roadcap, whose address is Harrisonburg, Rockingham county, publishes a card in the Harrisonburg papers, for the purpose of learning the whereabouts of her husband, Jacob Roadcap, aged 23 years, who left his home near that place, without any known cause, whilst she was sick in bed, on the 3rd of July, 1876, and forewarns all persons against harboring him as she is determined to prosecute any one who may do so.

If you wish Zeigler's Fine Lasting Gaiter for $2.25, go to J. W. NEWTON'S.

ATTEMPT TO BREAK JAIL.—On Saturday night a week it was discovered that Anderson Shiflett, who has been convicted of the murder of David G. Lawson in Rockingham, was endeavoring to cut a hole through the wall in the jail to get access to the cell in which Silas Morris, accessary in the same murder, was confined. Since then Shiflett has been put in irons, and at night is chained to the floor.

The best cigar in the city for 5 cents can be found at Fifer & Co's. may1-1m

RELEASED FROM PRISON.—On Monday of last week, Jefferson D. Campbell, who was arrested and lodged in the Rockingham county jail in February last, on the charge of having stolen a horse in Pendleton Co., W. Va., was released upon a writ of *habeas corpus*,—there being no evidence before the court of his guilt, and no requisition for him from the Governor of West Virginia.

Having been made the agents for the Terra Cotta Works, we defy competition. Terra Cotta Pipe and Vases lower than the lowest.
may8 LIPSCOMB & SOMERVILLE.

HON. JNO. T. HARRIS HAS A FALL.—On Sunday afternoon of last week, whilst walking on Water street in Harrisonburg, Hon. Jno. T. Harris slipped and fell down an embankment receiving a severe cut on his head and other injuries. At first, it was thought he was seriously injured. His head was cut by striking a stone.

BOARD OF DISTRICT STEWARDS.—At the meeting in Harrisonburg on last Tuesday of the Board of District Stewards for Rockingham District, M. E. Church, South, the salary of the Presiding Elder for the conference year was fixed at $1,000, which amount was apportioned between the several stations and circuits of the District.

Supervisors' Meeting.

On Wednesday last the Supervisors of Augusta, held a meeting at the Court-house—there being present, Messrs. Paris, Rush, Ellis, Seig, East, and Crawford.

ANOTHER BOND QUESTION.

James H. Skinner, adm'r with the will annexed of C. W. Skinner, dec'd, having appeared before the Board at a meeting held on the 12th day of April, 1877, and presented two bonds of Augusta county—one for $1,000, and one for $500, issued Nov. 27, 1861, in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Augusta, entered June 24, 1861, and authorized by act of Assembly passed January 19th, 1861, signed by Robert Guy, Presiding Justice of the county, and interest paid on each to January 1st, 1861—again appeared before the Board and demanded payment thereof; and the Board believing that this money borrowed of C. W. Skinner's Adm'r was "intended to be used, and was used in arming and equipping volunteer companies, then engaged in war against the United States—that the said Skinner knew the purposes, for which said money was intended and that this Board has no power to order the payment of these claims because expressly forbidden by Article X, Section 10 of the Va. Constitution—it is therefore unanimously ordered that said claims be disallowed." Thereupon Col. S. asked the Board to consent and agree that he should institute suit upon his claims, in the Circuit Court, which consent was not given by the Board.

This case is a similar one to that of Smith's Ex'or, which will be probably determined at the June Term of the Circuit Court.

COUNTY LEVY.

The Board proceeded to lay the county levy for the present or ensuing year, based upon a statement furnished by the Clerk, as to assessed values from land and property books of the several magisterial districts of the county.

LEVY—1877.

To this sum for bridge across Middle River Road, Precinct No. 15, Pastures District, near M. P. Funkhouser's mill site, per order County Court, made March, 1877	$ 650 00
To Robert H. Hunter and George W. Guthrie, for repairs to bridge across Christian's creek road, precinct No. 3, South River Dist. per order of court	60 00
To S. F. Myers, for Lyman & Co., for opening new road B. M. Dist. per order of court	35 00
To David M. Kerr for road tools per order of court	10 00
To James Jordan and others costs on road petition	11 75
To Elizabeth Argenbright, land damages on James Jordan's petition per order of court	55 00
To Frederick Cline, land damages on same petition	120 00
To Jury service in Circuit and County Courts	800 00
To Election service (May and Nov. 1877,)	650 00
To Registration service	100 00
To Board Supervisors—public service	250 00
To Jno. N. Hendren, Judge Co. Court	710 00
To Jno. Paris, Com'r Public Buildings	30 00
To wood Cir. office, $35; Co. office, $35	70 00
To Wm. A. Burnett, books, stationery, &c., for office	85 00
To Wm. A. Burnett, Clerk Board Supervisors (services,)	25 00
To Rent of Law Library	50 00
To support of poor, outside of poor-house, to be apportioned between the six magisterial Districts	600 00
To Sheriff—coal to heat jail cells	100 00
" " Whitewashing jail, &c	30 00
" " Bedding, blankets, &c., jail	50 00
" " Contingent expenses	50 00
" " Wood for Court-house	35 00
" " Ice " " "	10 00
" " keeping in repair for one year from Jan. 1st, 1877, public road passing through North River Gap from Wm. Shafer's residence	75 00
	$4,661 75

The further laying of levy was postponed to-morrow the 9th, the board being unable to complete the same for want of proper data.

ACCOUNTS

for road service, pauper coffins, medical services, etc., aggregating $395.75, were allowed and ordered to be paid.

FIFER & CO. have just received another large assortment of Cigars, which are second to none in the city. Call and see them. may4-1m

GOLDEN WEDDING.—At their residence at Burke's Mill in this county, on Thursday last, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burke, aged respectively 73 and 74 years, celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage, which occurred near Honeyville, in what is now Page county, but which was then a part of Shenandoah county, and when it was necessary to ride to Woodstock, a distance of thirty miles, to obtain a marriage license.

At the golden wedding all the the family, consisting of 7 children and 8 grandchildren, were present. Of the 7 children, 4 are sons,—Messrs. Wm. A., and Robert W. Burke, of this city; Cap'. Thos. J. Burke, of Huntington, W. Va., and E. B. Burke of Burke's Mill in this county. The daughters are Mrs. C. Miller of Mt. Crawford, and Misses Mary M., and Eliza A. Burke of Burke's Mill. On this occasion, the venerable parents were presented by their children with golden eye-glasses and other suitable presents.

The father is so well preserved that he looks as though he might live long enough to celebrate his diamond wedding. The mother, though she has lived to celebrate her golden wedding, has always been a small and delicate woman, never weighing over a hundred pounds, and yet her prospects for living many years longer are as good as those of her robust and active husband.

Lovely Hamburg Edging at Newton's, 5, 7, 8, 10, and 15 cents.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF STAUNTON.—The report of the Superintendent for April shows that in the public schools of this city there were 768 pupils, with an average daily attendance of 601. Of the 483 white pupils, 283 are males, and 200 females. Of the 214 colored pupils, 136 are males, and 78 females.

These pupils are taught in 16 schools with 18 teachers. The annual oral examinations will commence on the 28th inst. These schools are represented to be doing well.

VISIT OF WESTERN BUSINESS MEN.—A large party of business men from the Western States on their way to Richmond and other points in the South will pass through here on the Ches. & Ohio Road on next Friday morning. They will spend Thursday night at the White Sulphur Springs, at which point they will be met by committees representing the business men of Richmond, who will give them a suitable reception in that city.

All prices of Cigars at Fifer & Co's. Try them if you want a good smoke. may1-1m

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.—This district, which is about 4 miles square, returns for taxation incomes to the amount of $70,000.

In the District there are 53 licensed merchants, 31 retailers of tobacco, 19 lawyers, 7 doctors and 2 dentists. The value of the capital invested in business, that is taxed, is about $250,000. Of taxable persons there are 858 in this District.

Make Home Attractive by purchasing a New England CABINET ORGAN, equal to any in the market, and warranted for five years. Prices from $50 to $500. For sale by
may8-tf HUNTER & CO., Booksellers.

DRUM CORPS.—A drum corps to be attached to the West Augusta Guard has been organized as follows: W. W. Bradley, 1st sergeant; W. E. Peaco, 2nd sergeant, and drummers, E. M. Taylor, S. A. Gibbs, J. H. Wehn, and C. Prufer.

Those who have ears to hear, let them hear the musical roll of the "spirit-stirring drum."

LAUREL D. COTTON 9 cents by the bolt, and COTTON YARN $1.15, at Newton's.

CHARGED WITH ROBBING THE MAILS.—The colored men, Sam'l Prayrear and Henry Terrell, charged with robbing the mails at Drake's Station, Charlotte county, were lodged in jail in Harrisonburg on Friday week to await the action of the Grand Jury at the next term of the United States Court.

You can buy No. 12 all Silk Gros Grained Ribbon for 25 cents, and No. 9 for 20 cents, at Newton's.

INSTALLATION OF REV. M. H. HOUSTON.—The Abingdon Presbytery will meet at Tazewell Court-house on the 7th of June to receive Rev. M. H. Houston and install him pastor of that church. Mr. Houston's health has greatly improved in that bracing climate, and the people pleased with his ministrations.

For cheap groceries go to
C. A. RICHARDSON.

STEALING SUNDAY SCHOOL MONEY.—Some thief entered the Reformed church in Woodstock and stole the money contributed by the Sunday school pupils. The tin box containing the money—about $5.00—was in the Librarian's book-case

INSTRUMENTAL AND VOCAL CONCERT.—At the Grange Hall, on last Friday night, a large audience attended the instrumental and vocal concert given by the distinguished Pianist, Dr Gustave Satter, assisted by Miss Lizzie Daniel, Mrs. Judge Smith, and Prof. F. W. Hamer.

The performances on the piano by Dr. Gustave Satter were wonderful, and greatly enjoyed by those whose cultivated musical tastes enabled them to appreciate them properly, and by those of less musical cultivation, they were enjoyed as specimens of wonderful execution, though the nicest touches of music were to many, like the music of the spheres, unheard and unappreciated. This was more particularly the case with such pieces as were unfamiliar to the audience. When "Home, Sweet Home," and "Dixie," which, though not on the programme, were played by special request, were given, the audience enjoyed them with exquisite delight, and were enabled to appreciate the remarkable skill of the performer.

The singing by our own sweet vocalists, Miss Daniel and Mrs. Smith, with Prof. Hamer at the piano, was greatly enjoyed, and rapturously applauded.

The following was the programme:

PART I.

1. Overture—"Tannhauser" ..... *Rich. Wagner.*
2. *a.* Impromptu, *b.* Valse, *c.* Etude, c. minor, } ..... *Chopin.*
3. Valse a'dieu ..... *Torry.*

MISS LIZZIE DANIEL.

4. *a.* Sextette "Lucia" *b.* Melodies hongroises de Schubert, } *Liszt.*

PART II.

1. Beware, ... *Perring.*

MRS. JUDGE SMITH.

2. Fantasie—Sonate, ... *Raff.*
3. Sing, Sweet Bird, ... *Ganz.*

MISS LIZZIE DANIEL.

4. *a.* "Les Belles de Richmond,"—Concert Valse, *b.* Saltarello (Italian Dance) } ..... *Satter.*

We don't intend to be Bulldozed in any way, because we *can* suit any one in Tobacco and Cigars. Faultless in price and quality. Give us a trial. FIFER & CO.
may1-1m

CITY COUNCIL.—The Council of Staunton met at a called meeting on Friday night, at which Messrs. Fultz, Witz, Bledsoe, Todd, Weller, Larew, Byers and Powell were present, to consider an application made by Charles D. McCoy on behalf of the Board of Visitors of the D., D. & B. Institution, to ascertain upon what terms per annum water will be furnished to the Institution. The application was referred to the Water committee, who submitted the following report, which was adopted by the Council:

"Your committee respectfully recommend that the D., D. & B. Institution be allowed the use of the City water, at the rate of three hundred dollars per annum for all purposes and uses of said Institution, subject to such changes as the Council may make at its annual assessment of water tax.

If this proposition is adopted by the Council, and accepted by the Institution, we suggest that the committee be authorized at once to have three-inch pipe laid from the corner of Frederick and Market streets to Kalorama street, and six-inch pipe along Kalorama street to the corner of Kalorama and Coalter streets, and tap the Institution pipe at that point.

JAMES T. BYERS,
JNO. W. TODD,
Committee."

REFRIGERATORS! REFRIGERATORS!! REFRIGERATORS!!!

Water Coolers! Water Coolers!! Water Coolers!!!

GUM HOSE! GUM HOSE!! GUM HOSE!!!
BATH TUBS! BATH TUBS!! BATH TUBS!!!
Water Closets! Water Closets! Water Closets!

A First-Class PLUMBER!

Any kind of Plumbing and Gas Fitting done at short notice and in first-class style.
apr21-1m LIPSCOMB & SOMERVILLE.

DECISION FOR $5,000 DAMAGES.—Mr. Wm. A. Wightman was one of the victims of the Narrow Passage Bridge disaster in Shenandoah in March, 1876. Geo. W. Koontz, the adm'r of his estate, instituted suit for damages against the Balt. & Ohio Railroad Company. The trial, which commenced in the Circuit Court of Shenandoah on the 12th of April, was not concluded till the 2nd of May, when the jury rendered a verdict of $5,000 damages against the Railroad Company.

The more importance was attached to this trial as there are a number of other similar cases to be tried.

The plaintiff was represented by Messrs. Moses Walton and H. H. Riddleberger of Woodstock, and the Railroad Company by Judge H. W. Sheffey of Staunton, and Gen. J. H. Williams of Winchester. The Shenandoah *Herald* says that Judge Sheffey "entertained the jury and audience by his ridicule, his eloquence and his logic."

If you wish the prettiest Double Warp Black Mohair you ever saw for 45 cents, go to J. W. Newton's.

DEATH OF OLD PEOPLE.—Mr. Isaac Hoy, a soldier of the war of 1812, who died on the 23rd ult., at the residence of his son, Mr. Thos. Hoy, near Mt. Meridian, had reached the very advanced age of 92 years and 19 days.

Mr. Chas. Lewis who died on Thursday last at the residence near this city of his son, James A. Lewis, mail agent on the Valley Railroad, had reached the old age of 84 years. He was the brother of the late Gen. Samuel H. Lewis of Rockingham, and the last brother of that family. He was the uncle of Hon. John F. Lewis, Ex-United States Senator, and of Chas. H. Lewis, recently Minister to Portugal. The deceased lived till the last few years in Port Republic where he followed for years the profession of school-teaching. He also filled the offices of Magistrate and Commissioner of the Revenue.

THE VIRGINIA LAND BUREAU.—This is the title of a company which has been organized, and has its office in Harrisonburg, for the purpose of collecting and making known information relative to all classes of lands in this State—agricultural, mineral, and timbered. Persons having lands or mineral properties for sale should communicate with this company by addressing P. B. Delany, Secretary and Superintendent Virginia Land Bureau, Harrisonburg, Va.

The officers of this company are, R. N. Pool, President; P. B. Delany, Sec. & Supt.; C. H. Vanderford, Treasurer; C. E. Haas, Attorney.

☞ Ladies and gentlemen, when you visit Staunton to purchase goods go to J. W. NEWTON'S **Mammoth Combination Store**, on Augusta Street, and examine his stock. He asks but *one price and that is the lowest.* And another great advantage, he has no favorites, but treats all alike—strangers and friends are treated alike. If you don't believe us go and learn for yourselves.

SNOW IN MAY.—On last Friday morning, the 4th of May, those who were up early saw snow upon the ground though the weather was not cold. On Thursday night there was a copious rain which was succeeded by snow about 1 o'clock, which fell in sufficient quantity to leave some still visible after day-light, notwithstanding the rain and that the mercury was many degrees above the freezing point. The morning was clear, with a bright sun, and the temperature pleasant. We suppose the mountains west of us were covered with snow.

Fifer & Co. intend to sell the best bargains in Tobacco and Cigars in the city. Give them a trial. may1-1m

COUNTY LODGE GOOD TEMPLARS.—In consequence of the failure of delegates from County Lodges to attend on last Thursday, the meeting for county organization of Good Templars was postponed to the 4th Monday—Court-day. The meeting will be at 1 o'clock, P. M., in the West Augusia Hall.

For cheap groceries go to
C. A. RICHARDSON.

Lake Herrings! Lake Herrings!—A fresh supply of those choice Lake Herrings for sale by C. A. RICHARDSON.

THE SHERIFALTY.—Mr. Wm. L. Mowry having, on Monday of last week, resigned the office of Sheriff, Judge Hendren appointed Mr. John Towberman to act till the office can be filled by election on the 4th Thursday in this month.

Carriages! Carriages!! Carriages!!!—CHILDREN'S CARRIAGES at cost, in order to make room for our large Spring Stock of REFRIGERATORS, WATER COOLERS, &c.,
may8 LIPSCOMB & SOMERVILLE.

The disqualification to vote on account of petit larceny only applies to those who have been convicted since the 1st of December, 1876.

DEATHS.—There were 15 interments in Thornrose Cemetery last week, four white and eleven colored.

Read notice of a desirable house FOR RENT by C. A. RICHARDSON.

Hon. J. Randolph Tucker commenced a course of lectures before the Law Class of Washington and Lee University on last Thursday.

The number of students at Washington and Lee University the present session is 154, of which 52 are from Virginia.

The number of students at the University of Virginia the present session is 337.

For cheap groceries go to
C. A. RICHARDSON.

OPENING OF SPRING MILLINERY.—We learn from those who "have been there themselves," that Mrs. Gladke's Spring opening on last Friday and Saturday presented a most beautiful display. The store generally is well stocked with goods of all descriptions, and on this occasion the rear end of the establishment was set apart for the display of millinery, which was very grand. The Normandy Hat, trimmed in Filleul silk, with ornaments and tips, was particularly stylish, and the Gulnare, trimmed with a profusion of flowers, was truly beautiful. The prices of the hats were marked in plain figures, and purchasers generally expressed the opinion that they were very low. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the place was crowded with both young and old.—This display will remain for a few days, and those who were prevented from attending heretofore will still have an opportunity of doing so. Mr. and Mrs. Gladke deserve a great deal of credit for the energy and good taste displayed, and the young ladies and gentlemen in their employ are lively and attentive, having an eye to business on all occasions.

LADIES—Newton will sell you an 18 Thread Lasting Gaiter for $1.25.

ROANOKE COLLEGE.—We have received a copy of the Catalogue of Roanoke College for the present session from which we are pleased to learn that that College is prospering finely, having more students than ever before—having 177 enrolled as follows:

From Virginia 70; Texas 30; West Virginia 20; Mississippi 12; Louisiana 9; Indian Territory 8; Tennessee 8; Alabama 6; Maryland 4; Georgia 2; South Carolina 2; Arkansas 1; North Carolina 1; Ohio 1; Pennsylvania 1; Florida 1; Mexico 1.

We are pleased to see that the catalogue was printed in Salem, and very nicely done. Schools and Colleges should have their printing done in the local printing offices—they are the ones which aid them by notices, &c.

Chewing Tobacco from 50 to 90 cts per lb at
apr10-1m. FIFER & CO.'S

EXCURSION TO NEW MARKET.—By reference to advertisement it will be seen that the Valley and B. & O. Railroads will run an excursion train from Staunton to New Market, on next Tuesday, the occasion of the grand memorial celebration on that day at the latter place. The West Augusta Guard, Staunton Artillery and the Stonewall Brigade Band, together with a large number of our citizens, will be in attendance. Round trip ticket from Staunton and return, only $1.75, with proportionate rates from other points along the line. The train will leave Staunton at 7 o'clock in the morning, and will arrive at 8:30, P. M.

Get your Chewing Tobacco, Smoking Tobacco and Cigars from
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COUNTY COURT.—In the County Court yesterday, John Towberman gave bond in the penalty of fifty thousand dollars as Sheriff, giving as Bondsmen Sam'l Pilson, John W. Gilkeson, John W. Beard, John S. Churchman, A. A. McPheeters, J. N. McFarland, and W. A. Burnett.

Messrs. James McFarland, Geo. Harlan, Wm T. Lightner, Wm. L. Mowry, and R. G. Byers qualified as Deputy Sheriffs.

A writ of election for the 4th Thursday in this month was issued.

An order was entered directing the indexing of deeds, under "Campbell's System," from the year 1840 down to the present time.

POSTPONEMENT OF DEDICATION.—The dedication of the 2nd Presbyterian church of this city, which was to have taken place on next Sabbath, has again been postponed on account of the inability of Rev. Moses D. Hoge, D. D., to attend. That distinguished minister has been selected to deliver the dedicatory sermon, and he cannot be here for that purpose on next Sabbath as he has to attend the meeting of the General Assemble in New Orleans next week. On his return from the Assembly, he will start to Europe, so that the time when he can be here is unknown.

Richmond Ruby cigarettes, 20 in package—only 15 cts. Try them, at FIFER & CO'S.
may1-1m V. & V. V. copy.

PIEDMONT NEWS.—We have received the Prospectus of the *Piedmont News* which Mr. M. J. Wine, formerly of this county, is about to publish at Culpeper C. H., having purchased the material for that purpose of the *Culpeper Observer*, which has been published there for some years. We have no doubt the *Piedmont News* will be a good paper, and hope that it will be liberally patronized by the citizens of Culpeper and adjoining counties, both by subscriptions and advertisements. Mr. Wine is an energetic and worthy citizen, and we hope his enterprise in journalism will be crowned with success.

Dexter's Cotton 5 cents a ball, at Newton's.

GRAND CONCERT.—The "Stonewall" Brigade Band will give a grand concert in the Masonic hall on next Friday evening, May 11th, 1877.—They will appear, on this occasion, for the first time before the public, in their new full dress uniform, in which they will present a very handsome appearance. The programme will be made up of selections of new and popular instrumental and vocal pieces, rehearsed and prepared expressly for this occasion. A fine musical treat may be expected, and we hope to see the house crowded to its utmost capacity.

FINE FLOWERS.—We would call the attention of the ladies and all dealers in flowers to the fact that Mr. Jno. Saul, Florist and Seedsman, Washington, D. C., can supply the most beautiful and healthy flowers, plants, shrubs, &c., at very low figures. He fills all orders in the most satisfactory manner. Send for illustrated Catalogue, Circulars, &c., and give him a trial order. He has a new novelty of the tea rose species, which excels anything that has ever yet made its appearance. He sends a colored plate of this rose on application.

A large amount of matter intended for this issue was unavoidably crowded out.

MILITARY.—Both of our military companies had an out-door drill last week—the Staunton Artillery on Wednesday evening and the West Augusta Guard on Friday evening. There was a very fair turnout of the members of each company on each occasion. They will drill several times this week preparatory to their visit to New Market on the 15th inst. Both companies are in excellent condition and will make a worthy and creditable representation of our city at the coming celebration.

SALES OF PROPERTY.—Since our last report, E. M. Cushing, Auctioneer, has sold the following pieces of property:—

The residence of P. B. Hoge on Gospel Hill to R. G. Rickle for $6,000 to Wm. Patrick, comm'r, the building in Court House alley, owned by the late Maj. J. B. Watts, to Maj. A. M. Bruce, for $770; for Wm. L. Mowry, comm'r, the A. B. Rogers farm, of 253 acres, near Mt. Solon, to Nathan Reeves, at 325 an acre.

NEW MUSIC.—We are indebted to the publisher, Mt. H. T. Martin, Parkersburg W. Va., for the following pieces of new music:

"*God bless my Old Virginia Home*"—Song and chorus—words and music by Jno. T. Rutledge.

"*Don't give up the old friends for the new*"—Song and chorus—words by Jos. A. Gulick—music by J. T Rutledge.

"*Only a withered Violet*"—Ballad—words from the Amateur—music by D. F. Muir.

GENTLEMEN—You can buy a No. 1 White Shirt for $1, at Newton's, and 3 splendid Linen Collars, for 50 cents.

PERSONAL.—We had the pleasure of a call, one day last week, from the accomplished and enterprising editor and proprietor of the *Danville Daily News*, Mr. Wm. T. Manning. He speaks encouragingly of the life and prosperity of Danville. The News is a live paper, and with the "push" and energy displayed by its present manager, is bound to prove a success.

ANOTHER OLD SOLDIER GONE.—Mr. Isaac Hoy, a soldier in the war of 1812, died on the 23d ult., at the residence of his son, Mr. Thomas Hoy, near Mt. Meridian, in the 93d year of his age. He was a member of the Methodist church, and died in full hope of immortality.

EPISCOPAL COUNCIL.—The annual session of the Episcopal Council will commence in Trinity church of this city on Wednesday of next week the 16th inst. It will be a session of much interest, and a large number of delegates are expected to be present.

HOP AT KALORAMA.—A very pleasant Hop came off at Kalorama on last Thursday evening. Notwithstanding the tearful mood, of the weather, there was nothing but smiles upon the countenances of the fair participants in the enjoyment of the evening.

A WORKER.

For the SPECTATOR.

RESIGNED.—Rev. J. J. Norwood has resigned the pastorate of the Episcopal Churches at Fincastle and Buchanan in Botetourt county, to the great regret of the people in those places with whom is very popular.

THE CHURCHES.—The services in the several churches of the city last Sabbath were held, morning and evening, by the respective pastors thereof.

The Nickel still gets that elegant "Catawba" Cigar at FIFER & CO.'S

MEETING OF CONSERVATIVE COUNTY COMMITTEE.—The Conservative Committee of the County met at the office of Sheffey & Bumgardner on Saturday, the 5th day of May, and decided that the Township and Ward meetings for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Gubernatorial convention that assembles in the city of Richmond on Wednesday, the 8th of August, shall be held on Saturday, the 28th of July.

The following are the number of delegates to which the different Townships and Wards are entitled: Beverly Manor, 5; Pastures, 4; North River, 6; Middle River, 6; South River, 7; Riverheads, 6; Ward No. 1, 4; Ward No. 2, 4.

The meetings for this election will be held in the Townships at two o'clock, and at the following places: Beverly Manor, Court-house; Pastures, Churchville; North River, Mt. Solon; Middle River, New Hope; South River, Waynesboro; Riverheads, Greenville.

For the Wards, the meetings will be held at 5 o'clock, P. M., and at the following places:—Ward No. 1, Court-house; Ward No. 2, Market-house.

JAMES BUMGARDNER, JR., Chairman.
S. Brown Allen, Secretary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZED.—On last Sabbath morning, the Sunday school at Pleasant View met in their Chapel, and after an able address by the Rev. Thos. Crisman, organized by electing the following officers: Superintendent, J. F. Houff; A. Superintendent, Geo. Page; Secretary and Treasurer, J. M. Houff; A. Secretary, J. M. Baird; Librarian, H. Lambert.

The above mentioned Divine presided during the election.

Y. M. C. A.—Prayer meeting, last Sunday afternoon, was led by H. Ker who read the 12th chap. of Hebrews as the selected lesson.

Remarks were made by Rev. J. A. Woodson, W. A. McCue, and W. J. Nelson. The attendance was large, and much interest was manifested. The lesson for next Sunday is 13th Chap. of Hebrews.

NEW GROCERY.—John T. Pritchard, who has been on the police force since last July, resigned last week for the purpose of going into the grocery business in the new building on corner of Spring Lane and Augusta St. He has had much experience in the grocery line. Jos. A. Newman succeeds him on the police force.

For the SPECTATOR.

"GENEROUS ENDING" CONTINUED.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—It is unfortunate that so many persons seek to favor friends by perverting the truth in their report to editors and sending out statements to the injury of other parties, thus compelling those so wronged in the press for redress. The article in your last issue, headed "Generous Ending," we claim is such an one.—In it statements are culled from the history of the unfortunate difficulty between Rev. McDuff Simpson and Loch Willow church and made to do service in lauding the generosity of that gentleman and leaving impressions detrimental to the honor of the congregation. Loch Willow church has studiously avoided giving publicity to this trouble: Only once has a line been published in her behalf, and that article, like this, was written to correct an erroneous editorial. But when efforts are made to impeach honor and misconstrue motives, we feel that it is our duty to speak, and with your permission we will briefly notice the most important misrepresentations.

The difference between Rev. Mr. Simpson and Loch Willow church first came before Presbytery at its meeting at Timber Ridge, one year ago, in the reciprocal reports. The report from the church showed the Pastor's salary paid in full, and Mr. Simpson reported the church as debted to him for Pastor's salary to amount of $30. A committee was appointed by Presbytery to investigate the case. The delegate representing the church stated that he was in possession of the evidence which the congregation could produce and submitted very reluctantly to a trial. The committee reported in favor of Mr. S. The congregation were astonished at this unexpected decision, and were undecided as to what should be done—pay what they could not believe they owed or make an effort to be heard in their defence before Presbytery. During the time that elapsed between the adjournment of Presbytery and the 15th of August, the church session received several communications from Mr. S., urging immediate payment under threats for failure. Knowing that Presbytery had never heard their defence, and smarting under the treatment they were receiving from Mr. S., the congregation, at a meeting in August, appointed a committee to draft a memorial to Presbytery, and to collect and carefully prepare all the evidence for the church. The committee followed its instructions and reported a memorial, with all the facts in the case embodied in an accompanying paper. The report was adopted by the congregation and sent up to Presbytery at its meeting at Lebanon. Presbytery received the memorial and appointed a committee to examine the case and report at a future meeting. Two members of this committee acted and reported to Presbytery at Bethel that the congregation was indebted to Mr. S. in the sum of $25—just half his claim. By some means this report was disposed of and another committee was appointed to take charge of the case and "*report at the next meeting of Presbytery.*" The cause could not be tried at that time, because all the papers on the part of the church had been inadvertently left at home by a member of the committee into whose hands Presbytery had placed them. The morning following the appointment of the last committee, its members sought an interview with Mr. S. and the elder from Loch Willow, with a view of *compromising the matter*, and thus ending the difficulty without going into *a trial upon the merits of the case.* At this conference a compromise was effected. Mr. S. agreed that *if the committee would report now in his favor he would waive the claim before Presbytery;* and the delegate for the church accepted the *compromise upon these conditions.*

In your editorial above referred to, and also in the account given in the *Vindicator*, it is shown that the committee reported upon the evidence and decided in favor of Mr. Simpson. Where are the facts to justify such statements? How could this committee report, except upon a compromise, when it was appointed to report at a future meeting and when it was not in possession of a scrap of the church's evidence? Why advertise an act done in compliance with the conditions of a compromise as a magnanimous "gift?" Can a man deserve praise for doing what circumstances compel him to do in self interest? If Mr. S.'s object was principle and not dollars and cents, why did he not donate the claim to the church during the last Summer before the congregation took an appeal? As a means of settling the difficulty upon a basis of compromise, the church could accept the action of Presbytery, because her defence was not set aside, nor was Mr. S.'s claim sustained. But when it is published to the world that her plea is unjust, that judgment was given against her and that her opponent is so generous as to present her with hotly contested boon, we claim that her whole cause ought to be heard and let the resulting public decide the equity of her defence. How strange that even church courts have resorted to the unjust mode of settling difficulties by compromise!

Here we find one committee separating in twain a claim based upon one plea and giving judgment for half of the amount claimed.

Then another committee, also failing to discharge its duties upon principles of justice and equity, agrees to find for the plaintiff if he will comply with certain stipulations; as much as to say such decision would be erroneous unless these