Staunton Spectator.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1885.

Local Department.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

The county Democratic Convention, which will convene to-morrow for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the Senate and two candidates for the House of Delegates, will be composed of the named gentlemen, elected Saturday last members of that body.

STAUNTON.

Ward No. 1.—N. M. Varner, M. F. Hounihan, W. H. Weller, Newton Argenbright, Joseph E. Rollins, Joseph B. Woodward, Arista Hoge, J. J. Shirkey.

Ward No. 2.—Jno. M. Hardy, John Jesser, D. H. Evans, J. D. Hounihan, Geo. A. Hutcheson, J. Howard Wayt, A. C. Braxton.

BEVERELY MANOR.

Sandy Hollow.—Jno. N. Ople, Lewis Harman.

Peaco's Mill.—A. Kinney, W. A. Burnett, J. M. Lickliter.

Hebron Church.—G. G. Child, J. T. Mitchell, S. C. Brown.

Bolivar.—W. H. Bailey.

Folly Mills.—M. F. Gilkeson, J. C. Whitlock.

PASTURES.

Buffalo Gap.—W. F. Summerson, J. F. Tate.

Deerfield.—William C. Craig.

Craigsville.—D. Bashaw, E. O. Ferguson, D. B. Kunkle.

Lebanon Springs.—No election held.

Churchville.—H. H. Hanger, T. J. Diamond.

MIDDLE RIVER.

New Hope.—Chas. B. Stiegle, G. Alexander Mowry, N. C. Watts, Frederick Fry.

Red Mill.—Wm. A. Mann.

Mt. Sidney.—W. H. Moorman, and two others whose names are not learned.

Mt. Meridian.—J. S. Craig.

Verona.—No report, S. H. McCue.

RIVERHEADS.

Greenville.—Sam'l F. Pilson, C. G. Merritt, W. H. Cochran, Thos. S. Burwell, Dr. B. R. Smith.

Middlebrook.—C. F. Jordan, J. O. McCutchen, W. P. Mish, Alex. Bumgardner.

Newport.—W. R. Turk, T. M. Smiley, W. C. McKemey.

Midway.—John A. Spencer, W. T. McClure, Geo. P. Lightner.

SOUTH RIVER.

Waynesboro'.—W. B. Gallaher, J. H. Hobgood, J. W. Ellison, J. T. Smith, T. R. Clark, G. J. Pratt, S. H. Lambert.

Fishersville.—P. T. Burkholder, Sam'l Life, Sam'l A. Kerr.

NORTH RIVER.

Mt. Solon.—No report.

Sangersville.—No report.

Parnassus.—No report.

Spring Hill.—Jacob W. Good, Geo. B. Dunlap.

Centreville.—Wm. Brown, Samuel Forrer.

No preparation could have made such a reputation as Salvation Oil has (in so short a time) without intrinsic merit of the highest order.—It kills pain. Price 25 cents a bottle.

THE VIRGINIAS.—The August number of *The Virginias* is a very entertaining issue of that valuable monthly. The past few years have witnessed general depression, but there has been considerable progress in some departments in material development in the two States, of which Major Hotchkiss, the laborious and pains-taking editor, has kept the public informed. The coal and coke interests, especially on the lines of the Chesapeake & Ohio, and Norfolk & Western Railways, are becoming of mammoth importance. The demand keeps pace with the increasing outputs. The interior towns and cities are buying fuel cheaper than ever before. The supply needed for manufacturing purposes continues to grow, and the coaling stations on the Virginia estuary are becoming of vast importance to a large portion of the steam marine—of the foreign as well as that of the United States. *The Virginias* is diligent in searching out the information pertaining to these large interests, as well as to furnish its readers with much other that is interesting in developing the physical resources of the two States.

This number contains an excellent sketch map of Highland county by Mr. J. K. Campbell, formerly Superintendent of the public schools of that county. Attached to it are geologic sections across the county by Prof. Rodgers and Mr. Campbell, the first brought out by Major Hotchkiss from the works of the great author. Accompanying the map are descriptions of the county by Mr. Campbell and its statistics by the editor, who, also, compiles its geology, in an entertaining chapter.

An Interesting Occasion.

At the First Presbyterian Church last Thursday night, a very large audience assembled to witness the marriage of Philip T. Henshaw, Esq., of Oldham county, Ky., to Miss Lillian Scott Newman, step-daughter of Major James B. Dorman, Mr. Henshaw is of Virginia lineage and a farmer. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia, and a young gentleman of fine attainments. The bride is the daughter of the late Lieut. William Scott Newman, of Orange county, who fell at the battle of Winchester. She was richly attired in white silk, plainly trimmed, and wearing diamonds. Accompanying the couple on entering the church, were Major and Mrs. Dorman, and Misses Sallie Waters and Maggie Barbour, of Kentucky. The ushers were Messrs. James P. Taylor, Wm. T. McCue, Frank West and J. J. Shirkey. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Strider, the pastor, in a most impressive manner.

Professor Hamer was at the Organ rendering Mendelsohn's Wedding March, as the parties entered the church, continuing during the ceremony a Nocturne by Field in low, soft notes, giving tenderness to the happy scene, and at the conclusion, the departure was enlivened by the Wedding March by Bond.

Mr. and Mrs. Henshaw left the city by the midnight train for the West, and were accompanied to the depot by a large number of friends—the Stonewall Brigade Band having in the meantime serenaded them.

Rev. Geo. B. Taylor, D.D., preached an excellent discourse in the Baptist Church last Sunday morning, after which the sacrament was administered. Dr. Taylor, who was pastor of the congregation here many years before he went as missionary to Rome, where he served for 12 or 13 years, has many friends here who are always ready to greet him cordially. He is now for a second time Chaplain at the University of Virginia. The sermon in the evening was delivered by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Nelson.

The services next Sunday morning will be conducted by Rev. W. E. Hatcher, D.D., of Richmond, and, as heretofore announced, the installation of Rev. Dr. Nelson, as Pastor of that church will take place next Sunday evening.

The quarterly meeting in the M. E. Church South was held on last Sunday. The services both morning and evening were conducted by Rev. B. F. Ball, of Baltimore, Sunday-School and Book-agent of the Baltimore Conference.

ENTERTAINMENTS AT THE OPERA HOUSE.—Huntley & Gilbert's Comedy Company will commence a series of performances in the Opera House of this city on next Monday night, the 14th. This Company is highly recommended by the Press, and will give fine entertainments. The play next Monday night will be the popular play of "Esmeralda." Miss Belle Gilbert will act the leading *role*. Our readers will remember with pleasure the manner in which she acted when this play was performed here by the Madison Square Theatre Company.

Mr. Huntley is recognized as one of the best leading actors in the country. The entertainments given by the Company are first-class.—Reserved seats at 50 cents. Balcony 35 cents. Colored balcony 25 cents.

AMERICAN NEWSPAPER ANNUAL.—A. W. Ayers & Sons, Philadelphia, have just issued their Newspaper Annual for 1885. It contains a carefully prepared list of all newspapers and periodicals in the United States and Canada, arranged by States in geographical sections, and by towns in alphabetical order. In this list also is given the name of the paper, the issue, general characteristics, year established, size, circulation, and advertising rates for 10 lines one month.

CADETSHIP APPOINTMENT.—The Board of Visitors of the Va., Military Institute at their annual meeting in June appointed Mr. J. F. McCutchen of this county to an alternate State Cadetship in that institution when a vacancy should occur. There is now a vacancy which entitles him to the appointment. He should report at once, as his address is not known at the Institute.

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Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rodgers, of Augusta, are visiting friends in Highland.

Gov. Cameron, his wife and three children visited the Luray Cave last Wednesday.

Mrs. Sallie Henkel, of New Market, is on a visit to her son Mr. A. G. Henkel at Waynesboro'.

Mr. Chas. S. Rice, of New Market, has gone to Waynesboro' to act as clerk for Messrs Killian & Henkel.

Ex-Gov. Wm. Smith, of Warrenton, Fauquier county, celebrated the eighty-ninth anniversary of his birth last Sunday.

Miss Addie L. Howell, who has been visiting friends in this city, left for her home in Memphis, Tennessee, last Monday night.

Miss Mary Koogler and her brother Mr. Milton Koogler, of Summerdean, Augusta county, are visiting Mr. W. Cunningham and other friends in Monterey.

Mr. Edward S. Sublett left the city yesterday to enter upon his duties as assistant teacher in the Kenmore High School, Amherst C. H. Three students for the school accompanied him.

The Highland *Recorder* says that Miss Pamelia Gilmore, daughter of Capt. S. A. Gilmore, of Mill Gap, has gone to McGaheysville, Rockingham county, where she will spend the winter with relatives.

News has been received at Warrenton, Va., by friends of Col. John S. Mosby, late Consul to Hong Kong, China, that he has opened a law office in San Francisco, Cal., and will make his permanent home on the Pacific coast.

Rev. John A. Preston, of Tinkling Spring Church in this county, preached several times in Franklin, Pendleton co., W. Va., last week, and administered the sacrament on Sunday.—He had charge of the church there before becoming the Pastor of Tinkling Spring.

Mr. James Newman, formerly manager of Burke's Billiard Saloon in this place, who was found dead in the bed in Richmond last Thursday morning—having been suffocated by escaping gas in his room—was buried in Thornrose Cemetery in this city last Saturday at 11 o'clock.

Mrs. Patsey Feamster died in Lewisburg, W. Va., on the 2nd inst., in the 80th year of her age. The *Independent* says: "Her sufferings, which were slight and of short duration, were but the natural sequence of old age. She leaves six children and a host of grand and great-grandchildren to mourn her death."

The Highland *Recorder* says that on Saturday week, little David Propst, seven or eight years old, a child of Mr. Emanuel Propst who lives near Monterey, died after intense suffering from the effects of a wound received by running a nail into his foot a week before. He is said to have been a very bright and promising child.

We had a pleasant call last Friday afternoon from Mr. Leander J. McCormick, of Chicago, the gentleman who presented the large telescope to the University of Virginia. He is a brother of the late Cyrus H. McCormick, and the son of the late Robert McCormick, the inventor of the world-renowned McCormick Reaper. He had been for many years associated with his brother before his brother's death in the manufacture of the McCormick Reapers, of which 55,000 were manufactured last year, and 45,000 this year.

In Grace Memorial Church in Lexington on Tuesday of last week, Rev. R. J. McBride, D.D., united in marriage Prof. Jas. A. Harrison, of Washington & Lee University, and Miss Lizzie Stuart Letcher, daughter of the late Gov. John Letcher.

In the same church on Wednesday, Rev. T. L. Preston, D.D., Pastor of the Presbyterian church of Lexington, performed the marriage ceremony of Mr. Wm. Armistead Pendleton and Miss Mary Alexander Bruce, daughter of Alexander Bruce, Esq., of Halifax county, and grand-daughter of Judge Francis T. Anderson, of Lexington.

Society is in a pucker over the question, "shall our girls whistle?" Of course they may, if they strengthen their lungs by using the great Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.—Some weeks since, the SPECTATOR referred to the alterations and improvements going on at the Methodist Church, which have now progressed nearly to completion. The entrance has been entirely remodelled. The elevation from the first floor to the main body of the church is ascended by flights of steps commencing on both sides of the street door and land under the gallery in a wide open space which is a part of the auditorium. The newel and balusters and heavy gracefully curved railings are of rich dark walnut and in Lushbaugh's excellent style. The windows with the exception of the arch-frames have been made new in large and small sized Cathedral glass. The side-galleries have been dispensed with and removed. A wide end gallery, approached from the head of the first flight of steps, will be assigned to the pupils and teachers of the Wesleyan Female Institute. The organ and choir will be on one side of the pulpit. The gallery will have new seats made of walnut. All the interior painting will be furnished in imitation of walnut.—Two circular reflectors have been placed in the ceiling which have a large number of gas jets. The side-walls have been finished in dove-color with calcimine. The ceiling is laid in ground with paper to match the side-walls with long side and end panels. Frescoed paper, displaying in the design an entablature of the composite order, is adjusted in the angles uniting walls and ceiling with very good effect. The ceiling panels are also produced with the same kind of paper. The wall in rear of the pulpit is an imitation recess produced by frescoed paper. The beautiful marble desk, the altar, and its railing as formerly.

Some improvements are also to be made in the lecture and Sabbath-school rooms, but not at this time. A new set of pews will also be provided for the church hereafter.

The alterations of this church were designed by Mr. J. E. Tinsley, our City Architect, and carried out with the exception of the gallery, his being a curved plan.

The contractors and H. J. Lushbaugh and Brother, wood-work; J. E. Johnson, painting; George Greaver, plastering; and Geo. W. Hewitt & Sons, papering and coloring.

DORIS' CIRCUS AND MENAGERIE.—In reference to this show which will exhibit here next Friday, an exchange says:—

"The amusing features are the best on the road, rendered in a smoothness and cleanliness rarely seen with tent shows. Among many of the attractive novelties were the Troupe of French Bicycle Riders; the equestrianship of the wonderful William Stowles, who, as a bareback rider, has no equal; Troupe of Skillful Siberian Roller Skaters, direct from St. Petersburgh, especially engaged for Doris' New Monster Shows; Fourteen Brawny Turks in their wonderful native costumes, presenting thrilling and acrobatic achievements, the whole form a human pyramids; the Fisher Brothers, in their new and original aerial trapeze acts, are truly wonderful, and deserve the immense applause given them; Funny (J. R.) Adams, known as "Pico," the celebrated English Acrobatic Clown, is a marvel, and one of the funniest clowns. His sayings are new, novel and pleasing. Next comes "Betts," the ponderous and pioneer war elephant, 141 years of age, the oldest in the world. Following these you will positively see the best male and female equestrians and equestriennes, more acrobats, wonderful strongest men and women, twenty of the world's best leapers, champion hurdle riders, famous lady five-horse riders, lady artialists, lady and gentleman trapeze performers, daring lady wire-walkers, a whole family of giants and midgets, ten of the funniest of all clowns, fifty equally wonderful rare wild animals, performing elephants, performing lions, a caravan of trained camels and tigers, troupe of trick stallions and ponies."

HAY-FEVER.

Ely's Cream Balm was recommended to me by my druggist as a preventive to Hay Fever. Have been using it as directed since the 9th of August and have found it a specific for that much dreaded and loathsome disease For ten years or more I have been a great sufferer each year, from August 9th till frost, and have tried many alleged remedies for its cure but Ely's Cream Balm is the only preventive I have ever found. Hay Fever sufferers ought to know of its efficacy.

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The farm of the late Thos. Shumate, one mile East of Fishersville, containing 204 acres, was sold on Saturday week by E. M. Cushing & Son, for A. B. Lightner, sheriff, to A. S. Lara, Esq., of this city, for $23 per acre.

Chas. L. Cooke, Esq., Secretary of the Valley Mutual Insurance Co., has purchased from John L. Peyton, Esq., the residence on Frederick street near the Second Presbyterian church.

Not a particle of quinine nor any mineral substance is contained in Ayer's Ague Cure—but it does the business. Warranted!

Encourage home enterprise and buy Reeves Catt's Blood, Bone and Flesh Fertilizer.

The House of Israel.

The pretty little synagogue, at the junction of Market and Kalorama streets, known as "The House of Isreal," was completed some time since, and is now regularly occupied by the congregation of Israelites of this city. It is comfortably and neatly furnished, and much taste is displayed in the interior arrangements. It has a vestibule, and about one hundred can be comfortably seated. The congregation numbers about sixty. In the center of the Altar is placed the Ark. Above it, are the tables containing the commandments. The veil which will be drawn before the Ark is not yet in place. When that is done, then the synagogue will represent the arrangements of the Tabernacle and the inner place of the Temple.

Major Alexander Hart, is the President; Louis Cohn, Vice-President; M. Witz, Secretary, and Messrs. Fred Loeb, M. Witz and M. Oberdorfer, Trustees. Mr. Cohn is the Hebrew, and Maj. Hart the English, reader. The choir is on the right of the Altar, as viewed by the congregation. Miss Lottie Rosenbaum, teacher, presides at the organ; Mrs. Louis Cohn, Mr. Julius Switzer, and Mr. Adolph Loeb, members. The regular weekly worship commences every Friday evening and is continued on the forenoon of Saturday.

In the basement of the building is the room for business meetings, where the society of O. K. S. B., holds its regular monthly sessions.

This evening (Wednesday) commences the new year, and in the calender is 5,646. On the tenth of this month, Tishri,—is the day of atonement, Lev. XVI, XXIII, 26-32. Under the Mosaic dispensation, the day of atonement was observed as one of fasting and national humiliation. The observance commenced on the evening of the ninth, and continued to the evening of the 10th, and five days before the Feast of Tabernacles was celebrated.

In the absence of a Rabbi, the worship is conducted by the readers above referred to, who, also, lecture and give oral instructions. The synagogue is open during the hours of worship to the public, and a cordial invitation is extended to all disposed to visit the same.

LITTELL'S LIVING AGE.—The numbers of *The Living Age* for August 29th and September 5th contain The French in North America, *Edinburgh;* The Huguenot Reformation in the Norman Isles, *London Quarterly:* An Appeal to men of Wealth, by Lord Brabazon, *National;* Footpoints, *Blackwood:* A Walking Tour in the Landes, *Macmillon;* Morning Calls in West Country, *Belgravia;* From "Some Reminiscences of My Life" by Mary Howitt, *Good Words;* The Krakatoa Eruption, *Leisure Hour;* The Princesse de Lamballe, and Margate Grotto, *Temple Bar;* The Crown Diamonds of France, *All the Year Round;* Ground-Rents, *Estates Gazette;* with instalments of "A Home Divided Against Itself," and "Mrs. Dymond" and poetry.

For fifty-two numbers of sixty-four large pages each (or more than 3,300 pages a year), the subscription price ($8) is low; while for $10.50 the publishers offer to send any one of the American $4 monthlies or weeklies with *The Living Age* for a year, both postpaid. Littell & Co., Boston, are the publishers.

To Help a Fellow-Toiler in the Vineyard.

When one has no interest in a legacy or a bequest, it does good to read how Fortune has helped some other man with the helps to happiness. To cheer you we give the result of the 183d Grand Monthly Drawing of The Louisiana State Lottery at New Orleans, La., on Tuesday, August 11th, 1885:

No. 77,081 drew the First Capital Prize of $75,000. It was sold in fifths at $1 each—$15,000 to Frank Noble, London, Ontario, collected thro' the Molsons' Bank of London, Ont.; one to F. M. Searles, Bismark, Dakota Territory, through Mellon Bros., Bankers, Bismark, D. T.; one to Gechard Teping, No. 733 Market St., San Francisco, Cal., thro' The London, Paris and American Bank (Limited) of San Francisco, Cal.; the remainder are withheld from publication by request. No. 17,050 drew the Second Prize of $25,000—also sold in fifths at $1 each—one ($5,000) to J. M. Briant, South Whitley, Ind., paid to the Columbia City (Indiana) Bank; another was collected through the Metropolitan Nat'l Bank of Cincinnati, O.; another sold to a party in Milwaukee, Wis., and the rest elsewhere. No. 35,597 drew the Third Prize of $10,000, also sold in fifths at $1—one to W. L. Lewis, collected by the Southern Express Co.; another by Wm. G. Widmayer, No. 89 Centre Market, both of Washington City, D. C.; another by Edward Straub, of Crescent City, Cal.; the remainder elsewhere. Nos. 5,164 and 35,589 each drew the Fourth two Prizes of $6,000, and were sold to parties in Kansas City, Mo.; in New York City, N. Y.; and in San Francisco, Cal., etc., etc. The next (the 185th Grand Monthly) Drawing on Tuesday, October 13th, 1885, and any one who purchases a whole or a fraction of a ticket will have a chance of winning some of the $265,500 to be scattered about, but for any information desired, address M. A. Dauphin, New Orleans, La., but do not let the opportunity escape this time.

CHAUTAUQUA YOUNG FOLKS' JOURNAL.—$1.00 A YEAR.—The Required Readings (serial,) of the Chautauqua Young Folks' Reading Union, published in monthly installments in the WIDE AWAKE magazine, are also issued simultaneously as the CHAUTAUQUA YOUNG FOLKS' JOURNAL, which also includes stories and poems, the Superintendents' monthly talks, and all needed information for members of the Union.

FIFTH ANNUAL COURSE.—1885-86.

I. PLEASANT AUTHORS FOR YOUNG FOLKS (*American Series*). By Amanda B. Harris, author of *Pleasant Authors* (English Series). 12 papers. With portraits.

II. MY GARDEN PETS. By Mary Treat, author of *Home Studies in Nature*. Fully illustrated. 12 papers. The writer is a practical naturalist of high standing. These entertaining chapter comprise her observations and experiments with Spiders, Moths, wasps and bees.

III. SOUVENIRS OF MY TIME (*Foreign Series.*) By Mrs. Jessie Benton Fremont. 12 papers. The initial paper describes the author's presentation to Queen Victoria, with glimpses of Prince Albert, the Duke of Wellington, and other historic personages.

IV. SOME ITALIAN AUTHORS AND THEIR WORK. By George E. Vincent (son of Chancellor Vincent.) 12 papers. A pleasant introduction to future classical reading.

V. WAYS TO DO THINGS. By Various Authors. 12 papers. With illustrations. This popular feature of the Readings, thus resumed, includes many pleasures and helps.

VI. STRANGE TEAS, DINNERS, WEDDINGS FETES. By their Guests and Givers. 12 papers. With illustrations.

VII. SEARCH QUESTIONS IN ENGLISH LITERATURE. By Oscar Fay Adams. 12 sets. *With prizes.* This feature in the last Reading Course (*Search-Questions in American Literature*) won the general praise of parents, teachers, the young folks themselves, and the community at large.

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IMPROVEMENTS.—The county building for the accommodation of the Treasurer, Sheriff, and other county officers, is rapidly going up.

Sewers are being laid along Main street, between Augusta and New, and at the lower end of Wholey's alley. They connect with the sewer on New street, Bargamin & Sheppard, agents, contractors.

The new building erected by P. A. Baylor, Esq., on Augusta street, will be completed in a few days. It is a first-class store-house, and was applied for before the roof was on. Bumgardner & McQuaide will take possession of it 1st October, and will transfer their wholesale business from New street to Augusta in that building.

An entire new front is going up on the three-story building S. E. corner Main and Market streets.

DEATH OF MRS. LIZZIE KERR.—We are sorry to announce the death of Mrs. Lizzie Kerr, wife of Mr. John P. Kerr, the junior Editor of the Rockingham *Register*, and daughter of Mrs. Hopkins, the Matron of the Western Lunatic Asylum, which occurred in Harrisonburg on last Monday. Her remains were buried on yesterday at New Erection Church. Mrs. Kerr was well known here, and was highly esteemed by all her acquaintances. Hers was a lovely character. We deeply sympathize with the sorely bereaved husband, the stricken mother, and other relatives and friends in their great sorrow.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT GREENVILLE.

Election of Delegates to the County Democratic Convention.

GREENVILLE, VA., Sept. 5th, 1885.

Editor Spectator:—

Having seen nothing in your paper from this place for some time, and thinking you would like to hear from us, we send you the following items:—

The District Conference of Rockingham District convened here this week. The session was opened with religious services on Tuesday evening, Sept. 1st. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. H. M. Strickler, of McGaheysville. Presiding Elder J. C. Dice and a goodly number of the delegates were present. It was decided not to organize the Conference until Wednesday morning.

We noticed among the delegates Rev. L. L. Lloyd, of Milnes, Rev. A. M. Cackley, of Waynesboro', and Rev. J. S. Gardner, of Staunton. Among the visitors were Revs. W. K. Boyle, editor of the Baltimore *Episcopal Methodist*, and B. F. Ball, Sunday School- and book-agent of the Baltimore Conference; also Dr. J. J. Lafferty, of the *Richmond Christian Advocate*, who delivered to a crowded house, on Thursday night, his excellent lecture—"The Old Things and the New"—the proceeds of which were for the benefit of the parsonage to be built at this place.

On Wednesday morning, the Conference was organized by the election of J. P. Houck, of Harrisonburg, as Secretary, after which the roll of delegates of the different circuits was called, when a large number answered to their names and reported on their respective charges.

Rev. G. H. Zimmerman, Presiding Elder of Roanoke District, being present, was then introduced to the Conference. Among the visiting ministers were Dr. James Murray, of Bethel, Rev. A. H. Hamilton, of Mt. Carmel, Rev. T. J. Shipmon, Pastor of the Greenville Baptist Church, and Rev. W. B. McGilvray, of the Virginia Conference, who were also introduced.

On Wednesday night Rev. L. L. Lloyd, of Milnes, preached an able and interesting sermon. His audience was large and attentive.

Thursday being set apart as Children's Day, a mass-meeting of the Sunday School was held, and addresses were delivered by Revs. F. J. Prettyman, B. F. Ball, and J. S. Gardner, which were interesting and instructive, and much enjoyed by all present.

Conference convened on Friday at 9 A. M., when the election of delegates and alternates to attend the next annual meeting of the Baltimore Conference, to be held in Staunton, Va., March, 1886, was held. The following persons were elected:—

Delegates.—T. K. Harnsberger, J. P. Houck, J. O. Hobbs, and R. H. Palmer.

Alternates.—H. H. Spindle, E. S. Conrad, J. W. Rodgers, and C. W. Hunter.

Parnassus was chosen as the place for holding the next session of the District Conference, after which the Conference adjourned.

The people of Greenville and vicinity opened their hearts and homes to the delegates, and tried to make their stay among us pleasant and profitable, and we voice the sentiment of the entire community when we say they were delighted with the services, and were sorry when the time came for adjournment, and will ever be ready and anxious to entertain another Conference.

The new hall, which is being built by Augusta Lodge, A. F. and A. M., has been raised, and the work on it is progressing. The size of the building is 29x65 feet, and will be, when completed, one of the nicest lodges in the Valley.

The primary election for delegates to the County Convention, which meets in your city, Sept. 10th, was held to-day, and resulted in the election of the following persons:—

Sam'l F. Pilson, C. G. Merritt, Wm. H. Cochran, Thos. S. Burwell, and Dr. B. R. Smith.—There being a tie vote between Dr. B. R. Smith and R. H. Palmer, it was decided by lot, which resulted in the election of Dr. Smith

As we have already taken up more space in your valuable paper than we intended, we will close by saying—

Three cheers for Lee, Massey, and Ayers!

OCCASIO.

Additional Special Premiums Offered at Baldwin Augusta Fair.

B. A. Blakemore, Esq., offers for the best embroidered piano cover (on worsted) by an Aug. Co. Lady, Handsome photograph 14x17.

Landes & Bros., for the best specimen of ladies embroidered skirt, cotton or linen, one dozen cabinet photographs.

Messrs. Lambert & Bros., of Waynesboro', Va., furniture manufacturers, offer for the best looking baby under 2 years, handsome child's bureau.

Messrs. Holliday & West, for the best bale of mixed Hay, produced in county, one pair of men's shoes valued at $6.50.

M. P. Funkhouser, offers for best horsemanship exhibited by an Augusta Co. Miss under 15 years of age, material for handsome riding habit (cloth.)

Staunton *Vindicator*, 2 years' subscription to paper, for the best five pounds of honey in the comb.

Messrs. Stack & Spitler, for best home-made yarn counterpane, 25 lbs of granulated sugar.

John Ed. Hamilton, for best spring colt sired by Patrick Henry, season of his horse.

E. M. Cushing, Esq., for best country cured ham, to be boiled with skin left on, $5 in gold.

Wm. H. Lynn & Co., offers as special an *Oliver Chilled Plow*, to the best plowman, trial to be made during the Fair, contestants to furnish their own plows and teams.

Gooch & Co., offer for the best exhibition of laundried articles, by hand, one box of Imperial Olive Laundry soap, value $5.

For the best specimen of Macreme work, four boxes of White Russian Toilet soap.

For best specimen dried apples, two packages of Thurber's toasted coffee No 41.

For dried peaches, two packages of Thurber's toasted coffee No 24.

For best two bushels of oats two pounds of Hiawatha smoking tobacco.

Staunton *Spectator*, for best rag carpet, subscription for one year.

Valley Virginian, 2 years' subscription for the best single driving horse, mare, or gelding owned in the county of Augusta.

Lipscomb & Berry offer special of pair of boots to any Co. youth for horsemanship.

C. L. Weller offers handsome pair of ladies boots for best specimen of free-hand drawing.

J. B. Blackley, for best white cake, special, 20 lbs of granulated sugar.

John M. Carroll, Treasurer of Society, offers baby carriage for the handsomest baby under two years of age.

Geo. A. Coyner, Proprietor of Central Point Nurseries Augusta co., special for best six varieties of winter fruit, 25 choice fruit trees from his nursery.

DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS.—The Democratic Headquarters of the Workingmen's Club of the city of Staunton is now in the Hurley Building at the corner of Main and Lewis streets, where the meetings will be held, and where newspapers will be on hand for the accommodation of all who may choose to avail themselves of that opportunity to read them. As the canvass shall progress, that place will become the scene of much interest. The Friday nights of the regular meetings should be well attended.

TALLY-HO!—Joaquin Miller's stirring drama—Tally-ho—in three acts was performed in the Opera House last night with the excellent actor, Robert L. Downing, impersonating the character of Hank Monk, the famous stage driver of the Sierras. He acted well, and was very well sustained by his company, and those who witnessed the play were more than interested and entertained—they were much pleased, and, at times, deeply moved. We regret that he was not favored with a larger audience. If he should repeat it, he would be.

The Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia will commence its session at Staunton to-morrow, Thursday, the 10th.

A Lady's Perfect Companion.

PAINFULL CHILDBIRTH, a new book by Dr. John H. Dye, one of New York's most skillful physicians, shows that pain is not necessary in Childbirth but results from causes easily understood and overcome. It clearly proves that any woman may become a mother without suffering any pain whatever. It also tells how to overcome and prevent morning sickness, swelled limbs, and all other evils attending pregnancy. It is reliable and highly endorsed by physicians everywhere as the wife's true private companion. Cut this out; it will save you great pain, and possibly your life. Send two-cent stamp for descriptive circulars, testimonials and confidential letter sent in sealed envelope. Address FRANK THOMAS & Co.,
jy1-3m Publishers, Baltimore, Maryland.

Murat Halstead and Whitelaw Reid must have shed tears of blood and gnashed their teeth with rage when they heard that the dragging of a preacher from the pulpit because he eulogized General Grant, occurred in "truly loil" Pennsylvania, instead of some southern state. What a magnificent "southern outrage" was there spoiled!—*Index-Appeal.*

The Democracy is united and jubilant, and nothing less than twenty thousand majority is to be thought of. By hard work and of the right sort we may carry our majority to thirty thousand. Sound the bugle, the glorious Fitz is about to charge! —*Scottsville Courier.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Capt. Geo. M. Cocheran.

If the Democratic Convention can, and will, induce this gentleman to accept at their hands the nomination for a seat in the next House of Delegates, they will render a signal service to Augusta county and to the State. He enjoys fully and deservedly the public confidence. His large attainments and ability as a lawyer would be invaluable in the revision of the Civil Code, a work of the greatest importance, which has to be accomplished by the next Legislature. It is very true that he has no wish for the position, but it is equally true that the position needs at this time men of his character and qualifications. Let the convention nominate him and appeal to his public spirit to accept the trust.

sept9-1t. COMMONWEAL.

In answer to the call signed "Many Voters," as well as many urgent requests, I announce myself a candidate for the position of Senator, subject to the action of the County Convention. Yours, very respectfully,

sep2-2t J. A. PATTERSON, JR.

A CARD.

TO THE VOTERS OF THE 9TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA:—

Solicited in person, by letters, by "Many Voters" in the *Vindicator*, and by persons in other persons of the State, to return to the Senate of Virginia, I have consented to become a candidate for re-election, subject to the usual action of the party My past service is the best guarantee for my future action.

Respectfully yours, &c.,

aug19 ABSALOM KOINER.

TO HUGH F. LYLE, Esq.:—

The undersigned voters of Riverheads District believing that you will make a faithful, industrious, and efficient Representative, and pledging you our earnest and cordial support, hereby respectfully request you to announce yourself as a candidate for a seat in the next House of Delegates of Virginia—subject to a Convention or Primary.

John A. Spencer,	E. W. Hess,
G. P. Lightner,	J. V. Walton,
Sam'l F. Carson,	S. F. McClure,
Jno. M. Humphreys,	D. C. Hanger,
Enos Ott,	S. D. Ballew,
J. D. McGuffin,	M. M. Dull,
Thos. A. Brown,	M. Thompson McClure
John W. Fauver,	S. M. Donald,
Wm. T. Shultz,	Jno. H. Rush,
B. S. Rown,	R. Frank Larew,
John H. McClure,	J. W. Wallace,
R. B. Fishburne,	Wm. H. Fix.

To Messrs. John A. Spencer, John H. Rush, Sam'l F. Carson, Geo. P. Lightner, M. T. McClure, Enos Ott, J. W. Wallace, R. Frank Larew, and others:—

Gentlemen—You note calling on me to announce myself as a candidate for the House of Delegates, and pledging me your earnest and cordial support, has been placed in my hands. I beg to assure you that this expression of esteem and confidence on the part of those who have known me so long and well, is indeed most gratifying.

In compliance with your request, and in response to the expressed wishes of many others in different parts of the county and in the city of Staunton, I hereby declare myself a candidate as requested—subject to the decision of our Democratic County Convention.

Very truly yours,

aug26 3t HUGH F. LYLE.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF AUGUSTA COUNTY:—

Responding to a call which appeared in the *Vindicator*, and many private letters as well, I respectfully announce myself a candidate for a seat in the next House of Delegates of Virginia, and submit my claims thereto to the Democratic Convention called to meet in Staunton on the 10th of September, 1885.

aug26-3t JOHN H. CRAWFORD.

Business Notices.

If you want a nice buggy and horse, hack spring-wagon, or anything in the livery line go to Thornburg's. je22-tf

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Purify the blood,
Aid digestion,
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MARRIAGES.

REYNOLDS—SMITH.—In Staunton, Aug. 18th, by Rev. J. P. Strider, D.D., Mr. C. Edward Reynolds to Miss Ella Smith.

GROGG—WILSON.—On August 27th, by Rev. A. M. Evers, of Frederick City, Md., Samuel C. Grogg and Miss Melsenit A. Wilson, of Augusta co.

ANDERSON—VENABLE.—Married, August 26th, at the Presbyterian Church, Lexington, Va., by Rev. Thomas R. Preston, Miss Sadie H. Anderson, daughter of John R. Anderson, to William G. Venable, Jr., of Victoria, Texas. No cards.

DEATHS.

Obituaries are charged for at advertising rates.
Notices of deaths published gratuitously.

WHITMORE.—Near Raphine, suddenly, August 28th, George Whitmore. He leaves a wife and a large family of children.

HARRIS.—In Baltimore, Saturday morning, Aug. 29th, Hiram M. Harris, late of Staunton. He was buried Monday, Aug. 31st, from his brother's residence No. 173 Alsquith street.

Staunton Markets

SPECIATOR OFFICE,
Staunton, Va., September 8th, 1885.

There is more animation in the general trade this, than last week. The wagon bartering