Staunton Spectator.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1889.

Local Department.

Wanted at once, a reliable party to manage my dairy, truck and stock farm, one mile from town. Milk route established. Five hundred dollars capital required for one-half interest in same. Address T. Berger Moran, Charlottesville, Va. feb 6—3t.

LAPPINE promotes the growth of the hair and eradicates dandruff, manufactured only CHILD & SHELTON.

Syrup of Figs

is Nature's own true laxative. It is the most easily taken, and the most effective remedy known to cleanse the system when bilious or costive; to dispel headaches, colds and fevers; to cure habitual constipation, indigestion piles, etc. Manufactured only by the California Fig Syrup Company, San Francisco, Cal. For Sale by W. M. Allen & Bro., Staunton, Va feb. 15—1y

WHITE CAPS IN HARRISONBURG.-A dispatch from Harrisonburg under date of the 2nd inst., says:

"The White Caps have organized here and severely handled two colored men, Archer Strother and Moffett Cochrane. Notice had been previously given them that they must improve their morals or they would be visited by White Caps. The colored people are very much alarmed and many of them are afraid to be seen on the street at night."

"Eayer's Almond Cream," an elegant toilet preparation. CHILD & SHELTON.

Happiness and Health

Are important problems, the former depending greatly on the latter. Every one is familiar with the healthy properties of fruit, and no one can afford to be sick and miserable while the pleasant California concentrated liquid fruit remedy, Syrup of Figs, may be had of our enterprising druggists, W. M. Allen & Bro., Staunton, Va.

If your hens don't lay try the "Imperial Egg Food" to be had at CHILD'S Drug Store.

The coroner's jury empanneled to inquire into the cause of the death of J. W. Munday returned a verdict that it was caused by a pistol wound inflicted by accident while W. E. Birch was carelessly handling the weapon One witness testified that Mr. Birch was not pointing the pistol at anybody in particular, but was pointing it about the store. The victim of the accident, we are told, said that the shooting was entirely accidental and that he hoped that no steps would be taken against his friend. The matter is to be submitted to the grand jury.—*Charlottesville Jeffersonian.*

Wm. Rowan of St. Louis, Mo., Made Rich.

He tells us of his recent drawing in The Louisiana State Lottery of the winning ticket that drew the capital prize of $300 000, His share was one-twentieth of the whole amount, or $15 000. At the time of his good fortune he was a ship carpenter employed at the St. Louis Sectional Docks, but has since retired. He stated that he will continue to buy tickets the same as usual, in the hopes of striking the capital prize again.—*St. Louis* (Mo.) *Star Savings*, Dec. 2.

A large stock of perfumery and toilet soap at low prices at CHILD'S Drug Store.

IMPORTANT TO TEACHERS.—A circular has been issued from the University of Virginia to the Superintendents of Public Schools throughout Virginia tendering a special course to all teachers free of charge during the last three months of the session. They will be admitted without payment of fees upon presentation of a certificate from the County Superintendent. At the conclusion of the course a certificate of attendance will be given by the several professors to those whose work is approved. Applicants for admission are requested to notify the County Superintendent not later than March 15th.

A good time to paint—while lead and oil are cheap. Examine the stock at CHILDS' Drug Store

"CITRONALOES."—This is the title of a very interesting novel by Walter Marion Raymond, a copy of which was presented to us by Messrs Warden & Co., booksellers and stationers, of this city, the price of which is only 25 cents. It is emphatically a Virginia story. The scene is laid in Virginia, and the names of the characters are nearly all familiar Virginia names. The hero of the story—Barbour Garland—an orphan son of a Richmond seamstress, whose husband was killed in the war, is a very fine character, as is also that of Gen. Coltrane, of Louisa, who adopted him and was so devoted to him. The principal female character, the lovely and spirited Miss Louise DeVotie, adds piquancy to the story, and that of the talented authoress and christian lady, Miss Mildred Lacost, is quite charming. The lessons taught in this interesting story are morally wholesome, and we can recommend it as a proper one to be read in the family circle.

"Slipped by the Light of the Moon" will be seen here next Monday evening.

THE AMERICAN SABBATH UNION.—The Senate Committee on Education and Labor recently gave to the friends and the opponents of the Sabbath a hearing on the "Sunday Rest Bill" now pending in the Senate of the United States.

The opponents of the bill were from the Seventh Day Baptists, the Seventh Day Adventists, the Personal Liberty League Party, or infidel element.

This historic and valuable collection of arguments, which presented both sides of this all important subject, forms a valuable addition to our Sabbath literature that should be in every household.

Copies of it can be had free of charge, by writing promptly to the Senator from your state, asking for "the hearing on the 'Sunday Rest Bill' before Senator Blair's Committee in December, 1888."

REV. WILBUR F. CRAFTS, Field Sec'y.
74 East 90th Street, New York City.
G. P. LORD, Rec. Sec'y.
ELGIN, ILL.

For chapped hands and rough skin use EAYER'S ALMOND CREAM, prepared only by CHILD & SHELTON.

INTERESTING AND INSTRUCTIVE ENTERTAINMENTS.—The Oriental entertainments that will be given in the Baptist church next Monday and Tuesday nights by the Burmese, Sauabrah, will be of the most novel, interesting, and instructive character, and our citizens should not fail to witness them. The programme will embrace impersonations of the characters of all classes in that strange land, Oriental descriptions, and songs of the Orient. Distinguished ministers highly commend these unique entertainments, among them Rev. Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage who says:—

"The Oriental Entertainment given by SAUAHBRAH the scholarly Oriental gentleman, in the *Brooklyn Tabernacle*, was far beyond anticipation. His power lies in the marvelous way in which he impersonates and describes and reproduces the Orientals in his pinless, hookless and buttonless costumes, doffing and donning his garments before the audience. He carries with him an elaborate Oriental outfit, which he uses, as he lectures and impersonates, in illustrating the manner of the Orientals' *eating, sleeping, wooing and marrying, burying and embalming, and transmigration of the soul.* All our congregation were delighted."

If you are troubled with dandruff or your hair falling out, use "Lappine." CHILD & SHELTON.

"SKIPPED BY THE LIGHT OF THE MOON."—It is safe to say that the amusement-goers of this city will receive with much satisfaction the announcement that the famous laughing sensation "Skipped by the Light of the Moon," is to be produced at the Opera House on Monday evening, Feb. 11th, by Fowler & Warmington's original company. This play, which has already been here, was received with great favor by the large audience that greeted its production at that time. Its verbal fun and gymnastic hilarity, its vim and "go" that delighted all who then witnessed it, has lost none of its charm and will draw forth an audience that should test the Opera House to its utmost capacity. The St. Louis "Globe-Democrat" says:

"The first performance of "Skipped by the Light of the Moon" last night was given to an audience that thronged to the doors, and that was kept in a perfect whirl of laughter for nearly three hours. The comedy is nothing more or less than a swift succession of laughter-provoking incidents, but there is a great deal of good natured every day fun in the dialogue, and the amusement-seekers who fail to see it will miss more fun than they will be able to derive from any other source in a long time.

"Skipped," the jolliest play of the age, is coming. Look out for it.

STAUNTON FURNITURE COMPANY.

Whilst almost every citizen of Staunton is agreed that it would be proper to take a new start in local development by the establishment of manufacturing industries, it has not been so easy a matter to determine as to what they should be. Examination and investigation are essential to prudent action. Delay for that purpose should not be set down as indifference—not at all. Such a conclusion, if entertained, was effectually set at rest, by the subscriptions which have been obtained, representing all classes of the business interests of this city, to the Staunton Furniture Company The two meetings held, the first on the 30th, and the next on the evening following when from eighty to a hundred citizens of Staunton, representing from the able in purse all the way through to the young men dependent on their daily labor for an income of moderate wages, furnished most becoming and handsome illustrations of co operative effort that were ever witnessed. They were demonstrations to be highly approved, because the fact was established, which we have never doubted, of the willingness and anxiety of our people to invest their means in judicious enterprises, when satisfied they were such,

For what was thought to be commendable and safe investments for the growth and business of the city, many schemes from time to time have been suggested. Because all are not taken up should not be ascribed to indifference or want of interest.

Messrs. S. M. Wilkes & Co., are large furniture dealers of this city, and the senior of the firm, we are sure, will not think it any disparagement of him when we say the junior, Mr. Wm. H. Hyer, in opening the way for prudent action of our people in a first-class development, has done a good part for that interest.

Through his instrumentality communication was opened with Mr. George Luppert, of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, a large and successful manufacturer of furniture at that place, with the view of establishing a plant here. Mr. Luppert has a branch of his business at Ronceverte in West Virginia, where the manufacture of Bedsteads was the specialty, but he had for several reasons (not the want of customers) determined to remove it. He visited Staunton, and, without going through a recital of reasons he gave, he was satisfied Staunton would be a good place to change the plant to, and to make its capacity larger than at Ronceverte and to turn out other articles than bedsteads.

The conference between Messrs. Wilkes & Hyer and many of our citizens led to action, and Messrs. Chas. B. Haines, T. J. Crowder, A. C. Braxton, E. J. Cushing, J. W. Teabo and J. Howard Wayt waited upon the people, and have so nearly raised the sum of $20 000, deemed a sufficient capital for the purpose, that the balance is a small matter to obtain.

The subscribers to the stock had their first meeting at the warehouse of Wilkes & Co. on the night of the 30th ultimo. Captain W. P Tams presided, and Mr. E. J. Cushing was appointed Secretary. The consultation at the meeting prepared its way for a fuller one on the following evening, when Mr. Luppert was present. That gentlemen furnished a very full and explicit statement of the cost, methods, and the probable workings of the business. It is not necessary to report the proceedings in detail. A committee consisting of John McQualde, W. H Hyer, Jas. N. McFarland, T. M. Lickliter and S. M. Wilkes, was appointed to confer further with Mr. Luppert and report to an adjourned meeting on the night of the 4th instant. The plant, except lot and building, which includes all the machinery, to be propelled by steam, will cost about $8,000. After the purchase of the lot and cost of buildings there will be left of the capital of $20 000 enough for good, safe, economical working purposes, employing from 25 to 50 hands, as the sales may require. Mr. Luppert offers to put in the whole of the machinery, and after the company is satisfied that it is all right, and to ascertain that they can make all investigations, he will subscribe of the estimated cost of $8,000, $4 000 to the capital stock of the company. He said that he would bring here some experts, but wanted the Staunton people to supply their places as soon as possible, and the whole establishment and its progress would be committed to the Board of Directors. That was what he expected and desired. Men and youths of sprightly, active minds, could soon learn to work the machinery and it would be a Staunton business in all its parts. He futhermore said if the establishment was ready now, he could turn over at this time orders to the amount of $5,000, and that such was the constant flow of orders to him at Williamsport that he was sure he could send to Staunton often such jobs for completion.

At the adjournned meeting held on the 4th instant, Jas. N. McFarland, Esq., presided,—Mr. E. J. Cushing, Secretary, continuing to act in that capacity.

Capt. McQuaide, from the committee appointed to confer with Mr. Luppert, presented a report of the conference, with recommendations for the progress of organization, and starting the company to work, which were approved by the meeting. The meeting then instructed the Board of Directors, to be subsequently chosen, to purchase the lot recommended by the committee for a location of the factory. The lot is near the old Ast property, between the lines of railroads, and is convenient for connections with both.

The officers will be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and General Manager, Treasurer, and seven directors.

It was decided to elect then only the directors, who are as follows:—

Geo Luppert, W P Tams, J M Lickliter, Jno D Crowle, W T McCue, S M Wilkes, J N McFarland.

The following committee was appointed to continue to solicit subscription to the stock of the company till they reach the amount of $25,000: Guy Cochran, Jno McQuaide, R R Andrews, Jas Ker, Jr., B Miller McCue, J T Long.

The first duties of the board will be to procure a charter, call for requisitions on the stock, and complete the purchase of the lot.

"Staunton Furniture Manufacturing Company" was adopted as the name of the company.

Personal.

The Mountain *News* of Franklin, Pendleton county, W. Va., of Feb. 1st, says: "Dr. W. L. Tate, of Greenville, Augusta county, Va., and a graduate of the University of that State, stopped at the "Johnson House" Tuesday night, on his way to Seneca, with a view of locating there to practice his profession. A physician is greatly needed in that section, and we hope the doctor will conclude to settle among us."

Miss Cora A. Turner, who but recently returned from a visit to relatives of Spartanburg, S. C., and who, while there was tendered the musical department of the Cooper Limestone Institute, has, since her return to her home in this city, accepted the position. This flourishing school for young ladies and misses was endowed a few years ago by the late venerable and philanthropic Peter Cooper, whose name and noble character is enshrined in the hearts of the people of Spartanburg and will be perpetuated for all time to come. The location of this school is in one of the most salubrious, and delightful sections of the Piedmont range, distant twenty miles from the city of Spartanburg, surrounded by a good agricultural country whose people are energetic, industrious and sober, and prove bial for their generous hospitality. Gaffney City, a comparatively new but enterprising town, is only one mile from the Institute, directly on the line of the Richmond & Alleghany R. R. Spartanburg is the birthplace of our well-known citizen, Prof. A. J. Turner, who, more than fifty years ago, married and settled in the Valley of Virginia, where he has ever since resided, and now his daughter goes to the land of her father to fill a responsible post in one of the best female schools in the Palmetto State. We wish Miss Cora the success which her accomplishments, experience, fidelity to duty and her many amiable qualities justly entitle her to, and bespeak for her a cordial greeting by the faculty, trustees and the pupils committed to her care. She left for her post of duty on Monday last.

MARRIAGES TO-DAY.—This morning at "Idlewood," the residence of the father of the bride in this county, Mr. E. L. Coiner of Fishersville will be marriage to Miss May Beck, daughter of Mr. A. D. S. Beck.

At 12 o'clock to-day at the St. Francis church, Mr J. J. Murphy of this city will be married to Miss Anna Heinekamp, sister of Prof. F. W. Walters.

At the First Presbyterian Church at one o'clock this afternoon, the marriage of Mr. Henderson M. Bell, jr., son of H. M. Bell, Esq., to Miss Mary Waddell, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of the late Dr. J. Alexander Waddell, will take place. The home of this couple will be at Bramwell, W. Va., where the groom is located in the prosecution of his profession of civil engineer.

"Skipped by the Light of the Moon" next Monday night.

Roll of Honor.

The following is the Roll of Honor of the Staunton Public Schools (whites) for the month ending, Jan. 25th, 1889.

Senior High School.- Rudolph Bumgardner, Lucie Irvine, Maud Fletcher, Kate Knowles Bessie Turner, Louis Witz and John Young.

Inter. High School.— Maud Matthews, Frank E. Aitkins, Cammie Ryan, John A. Aitkins and Marvin Knowles,

Junior High School.—Emma V. Lambert, Edna E. Powell and Jas. H. Lushbaugh.

1st. Grammar Grade, A.—Ham White, Watson Gooch, Susie Perry and Fannie Hogshead

1st. Grammar Grade, B.—Lacey Towberman, Eva Cox, Harvey Swink, Gilbert Huffman, Frank Drake, Harry Blackburn, Nora Huffman and Willie Geiger.

2nd. Grammar Grade.—Mildred Hutcheson, Lovie Palmer, Addie Fauver, Selden Walke, Mattie Bickle, Carrie Calhoun, Maggie Robertson, Lillie Moore, Maggie Daniel, Minnie Grattan, Lizzie Grattan and Fannie Haines.

3rd. Grammar Grade.—Lucy Cochran, Isabella Brooke, Margaret Ryan, Willie Ryan, Adele Valz, Geo. Hutchinson, Maud Waddell, Mabel Dolin, Hampton Hanger, Katie Shafer and May Campbell.

4th. Grammar Grade.—Willie Shepherd, Blanche Shanholtzer, Katie Dunn, Marshal Coleman, Jessie Skeen, Madeline Barth, Rosa McIntosh, Katie McClure, Lena Powell, Lena Daniel and Myrtle Durham.

1st. Primary Grade.—Emmett Walters, Mattie Kingan, Mary Haines and Carrie Peck.

2nd. Primary Grade.—Josie Loeb, Edith Shewey, Bessie Leftwich, Minta Fielder, Genie Bumgardner and Harry Hogshead.

3rd. Primary Grade.—Edward Valz, Laura Knighton, Gertrude Peterfish, Graham Cootes, Harry Parsons, Horace Hart, Joseph Foster, Al. Davis Wheat and Ernest Fretwell.

4th. Primary Grade.—Lucie Walters, Bessie Blackburn, Clara Timberlake, Gertrude Potter, Mabel Leftwich, Minnie Poyntz, Emma Blackburn, Mary Catt, Lena Andrews, Gulley Zirkle, Chas. Yeager and Ernest Hutchens.

5th. Primary Grade.—Burnett Cox, Newton Kidd, Jordan Hoge, Maggie Dunn, Mary Barr, Virgie Catt, Wm. Fielder, Josie Nothnagel and Mary Hager.

6th. Primary Grade.—Mattie Peaco, Daisy Crosby, Tom Trayer, Eddie Wright, Chas. Potter, Vat. Daniel and Baldwin Kingan.

Requisites for Roll of Honor.—Present every day, no tardy marks, no demerits, and an average of not less than 95 on all studies.

The order in which the names occur indicates the relative class standing.

Respectfully,
W. W. ROBERTSON,
Supt. City Pub. Schools.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following is the Roll of Honor of the Staunton Public Schools (colored) for the month ending Jan. 25th, 1889.

1st. Grammar Grade.—Walter Johnson, Emmett Dickinson, Laura Dickinson, Emmett Shelton and Mary F. Reynolds.

2nd. Grammar Grade.—Lee Scott and William Ellis.

3rd. Grammar Grade.—Susie Perkins, Hugh Green, John Southall, Chas. Frazier, William Paris and Rob't Braxton.

1st. Primary Grade.—Cornelia Anderson, Chas. White, Daisy Burruss and Edmonia Williams.

2nd. Primary Grade.—Charles Paris, Fannie Brown, Minnie Smith, Lelia Lacy and Mary Mouroe.

3rd. Primary Grade.

4th. Primary Grade.—Lizzie Wheeler, Susie Woods, Stewart Scott and Joseph Tate.

5th. Primary Grade.—Estie Southall, George White and Ella Smith.

6th. Primary Grade.—Fannie Burns, Etta Scott, Eola Oliver and Israel Jackson.

Requisites for Roll of Honor.—Present every day, no tardy marks, no demerits, and an average of not less than 95 on all studies.

The order in which the names occur indicates the relative class standing.

Respectfully,
W. W. ROBERTSON,
Supt. City Pub. Schools.

The Buena Vista Company,

We are so accustomed to see subscriptions to the capital stock of almost any enterprise either go slow or not at all, that the rapid movement of the Buena Vista Company was quite a surprise. In Lexington and Rockbridge county there was considerable local interest as soon as the prospectus was issued but it was not till the 30th of January that any of the agents appeared in Staunton and Augusta actively at work.

The scheme, it is true, seemed to move off very handsomely, but President Barclay and his associates in directing the preliminary work were maturing judicious measures to push the enterprise. Ere they had the lines mapped out for vigorous measures to follow along them, the people everywhere, including Staunton, Roanoke, the South-West, and from Pittsburgh and Baltimore and through our rural districts by wire and by mail rolled their subscriptions in, and on the afternoon of the 1st instant the whole amount of six thousand shares had been taken.

Since then, there has been no little interest manifested, and some subscribers are selling their privileges at a considerable advance.

There is a universal expression by those who have visited the property, and others who have investigated its merits, that the Buena Vista Company is to-day a very rich corporation, That is truly so, and when any person interested feels inclined to spend a week or ten days in riding over the vast possessions, he will realize how much greater are the resources than his imagination pictured them.

COUNTY COURT GRAND JURORS FOR THE ENSUING FEBRUARY TERM.—Hugh F. Lyle, Geo. F. Hoover, John D Bailey, Wm F Ast, J. Hatch Stover, Jno W Gleody, Ro A Wallace, Geo D Dudley, A A Sorrow, Erwin A McCutchen, J Ran Smith, M T McClure, Daniel Huffman, Joseph C Horn, Ro M Kyle, Jno N Mohler, Sam'l H Parkins, Jas W Weade E McK McCue, J C Thorn, Jno A Stuart, C M Patrick, Jacob P Hamilton, M R Coalter—attendance required at Court House Monday, Feb'y 25, at 10 o'clock, A. M. and also the following veniremen:

E A Fulcher, C A Lightner, Wm W Patteson Jno A Fauver, David W Drake, Jno C Forsythe, Jerome C Menifee, C W Lynham, Wm H Greene, Wm H Willgoss, Lewis D Myerly, Michael McAleer, Jno M Steffey, Chas L Johnson, Wm McKeever, Geo W Critizer, Jno G Hensley, Geo W Peaco, Jno D Lavell, Dan'l O Rourke—attendance required Feb'y 26, at 10 o'clock A. M.

DEATH OF MR. JAS. S. HAWPE.—Mr. Jas. S. Hawpe died suddenly at his residence near Greenville at an early hour Sunday morning, the 3d inst. Saturday he was in Greenville and expressed himself as feeling very well, and to all appearances there were many days of life still his to look forward to.

He retired as usual Saturday night with his little son as his room companion. They conversed till after 12 o'clock. His son arose at an early hour, and supposing his father was asleep, did not disturb him; but as he did not make his appearance when expected, he was called, and then it was ascertained that he was dead.

The burial services took place Monday at Bethel church.

Mr. Hawpe was 52 years old and a widower with four children. His wife died thirteen years ago.

COUNTY COURT.—The proceedings in the County Court subsequent to the 29th ultimo were not of public importance except the following:—

William McCue was appointed a special commissioner to report upon the construction and change of road at Humbert's Mill, from the fact that the Road Board of Middle River district had some trouble in regard to it.

A rule was awarded against T. R. N. Speck, Sheriff, and as such Jailer, to show cause why he shall not be fined and why he shall not remove his deputy for failure to keep the jail cells and apartments in proper order. The report of the jail committee spoken of above shows that the jail has not been kept in a satisfactory manner.

Court adjourned on Thursday.

FISH, OYSTERS, AND VEGETABLES AND EARLY SEED POTATOES.—The large and increasing demand for the articles named above in which Mr. W. H. Willgoss is a dealer, should insure to him many calls. He takes the pains to inform the public in an advertisement of what he has, and the quick dispatch he can give to orders. Those in want will assuredly call on him.

CITY MATTERS.—Last night was the time for a stated meeting of the City Council. A quorum was not present. There is some business which cannot be well postponed till the next regular meeting. President Berkeley announced that there would be a called session next Friday night.

NOTICE.—There will be preaching in the new Mt. Tabor Lutheran church at 11 o'clock, Sunday, Feb. 10th. Notice of time of dedication will appear hereafter. G. W. SPIGGLE, Pastor.

A Story Corrected.

Editors Spectator:

Gentlemen,—The "Good Story of General Early" you copy from Louisville *Courier-Journal* is a good deal of a story in the childish sense. I would not have supposed that a paper coming from the home of the McDonalds would have published such an affront to every suvivor of Rosser's Brigade, and such a slur on the memory of our gallant comrades dead and gone, without being brought to book, and I would not have expected you to reproduce it. The record of its killed and wounded is sufficient answer to the slander.

The writer having served through the war, two years in the infantry and two in the cavalry as private and as officer, and under both the general officers referred to in the "Episode," may be supposed to know something of both. No one with such opportunities to observe them, under the severest test, could fail to recognize and admire the fighting qualities of both. Rosser's dash and steady courage go without saying as far as your paper is read. It was illustrated on many a field; and I take it the scribbler for the Louisville paper knew as little of him and his Brigade as of the alleged "Episode."

The "Laurel Brigade" was not in the Cedar Mountain fight, nor in existence at its date.—Reference was probably intended to the Tom's Brook engagement of October, 1864, which occurred near Cedar Creek, also near Fisher's Hill and not far from Winchester,—previous to the affair at Waynesboro', all historic names which ought to call up tender and pious memories in the breast of General Early, to soften satire and tone down criticism on his part.

The statement is very wide of the truth if applied to that,—the only engagement of consequence, to my recollection, in which the Brigade in question ever failed to drive the enemy or hold its ground.

On that occasion it met under most unfavorable circumstances, in straggling order, and with men and horses wearied out by the forced march from Petersburg, an overwhelming force of picked Federal cavalry—cavalry which we had educated in a pretty severe school for several years, and which had improved on our instruction until in organization and discipline, as in equipment and all appointments it was well nigh perfect, led by its best commander and fully prepared for action. That Rosser's little force on the back road failed to check the onward sweep of brigade after brigade of the fresh troops of Custer and of Torbert, massed and thrown against them and finally gave way in the disorder usually attending a thin battle line, closely driven back without support, was no nine day's wonder.—And to pepper them with such newspaper squibs at this late day about it is worse than Custer's turning Tuck Carter's guns on us that 9th of October. Its enough to make that little gamecock cry again.

The writer was a prisoner at General Sheridan's headquarters, near Middletown, for some days after that fight, and some of the cavalry regiments he saw in review there were big enough to have eaten Rosser's Brigade on toast.

That brigade wore the laurel by no less a sanction than the order of General Stuart, the same brilliant commander who furloughed its leading squadron on the field at Jeffersonton, (Fauquier White Sulphur), for charging and capturing the burning bridge with its infantry supports,—tenfold their number—under the eyes of General Lee and his advancing lines—George Baylor and poor Tin—*par nobile fratrum*—and "Old Seth Timberlake" in the front,—one of the many occasions when it won those laurels.

Such publications, Messrs. Editors, are ungraceful and uncalled for. We old Confeds, cavalry, infantry or artillery, may pass our good-humored jests, feeling a common pride in each other and our arms of service, while we recall much that was ridiculous—but don't encourage every idle ink-slinger in holding up to public ridicule such a record as of right belongs to Rosser's Brigade. R.

Middlebrook Items.

On last Saturday night, Mr. James Hawpe died suddenly at his residence near Greenville. He was found dead in his bed on Sunday morning. He was a good citizen, an honest and upright man, and will be missed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

Mr. McCoy died at the residence of David East, near Newport, last Saturday night. He had been ill but a short time. He was a cattle dealer and was away from his home when he died, so we learn. His remains were sent to his home for interment. We did not learn where his home was. Everything was done for him that skill could do, but it was of no avail. He was about thirty-five years of age.

Mr Wm. K. Clemmer, a prominent citizen, who has been in extremely bad health for a year or more, is reported a great deal worse today, (Saturday eve,) and little or no hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Excitement over the post office at this place is running pretty high (on the part of some.) The present incumbent has arranged to resign in favor of John H. Bowman, a republican. Some of the republicans here seem to think his appointment will not stand when Gen. Harrison is inaugurated. We cannot say how this will be, but a good man will be in as postmaster, and a thorough Republican, too, so we cannot see how the administration can decapitate an office-holder who has all the qualifications necessary to make an official in accord with the administration, to gratify some one else of the same political faith. The office here pays a small salary, but for convenience' sake, Mr. Bowman wants it, not that he needs or cares for the salary at all. The greater number of citizens of both parties seem to want him to have it, that is, as far as we are able to learn. Petitions for all parties who want the office are afloat, but they are of no account. The man who has the influential friend in Washington to speak a word to the Post Master General will be apt to be the Post Master at this place. There are a great many new officeseekers in the Republican party who have done good party work, and are going to ask for some recognition. It would not do to put all the old officeholders back into office, and entirely exclude the young men. And this will be the result; some of the old will get back again, but the greater number will be apt to stand back and let in the younger men awhile. This is my opinion, but that you know, is of no account, anyhow, so they say. Q.

Parnassus.

DEATHS, SICKNESS, PERSONALS.

Mr. Thomas H. Dryden died at his residence on the 1st inst., aged about 67 years. He had been for 17 years sorely afflicted with rheumatism, and a great part of the time was entirely helpless. His sufferings were borne with patience and fortitude: As husband, father, friend and in every sacred relation of life, he fullfilled his part and met the dread summons without fear. The funeral took place from Union Church on last Saturday, and was largely attended by friends of the deceased to pay the last tribute of respect to the memory of the departed who was greatly esteemed by all who knew him. The services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. Mr. Lafferty. Revs. R. C Walker and Paul, of Mosey Creek, took part in the solemn exercises, after which the remains were laid to rest after so many long years of intense suffering. The following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: Messrs. Thos. E. and David Gilkeson, A. W. Knipple, Jas. McNair, Jacob Long and William Hogshead.

In the sudden death of Miss Gertrude, the bright and promising daughter of Mr. Chapman and Mrs. Catharine Walton, that occurred about a fortnight ago there passed from earth to immortality a gentle life that was created to love and be loved. Her remains were the first to be interred at the German Baptist (Tunker) Church near here. To each family so sadly bereaved by this dispensation of Divine Providence every sympathy is extended.

The sick list of this vicinity at present is unusually large, and the worst feature of the situation is, that our physician, Dr. Bishop, is confined to his room, and has been for several days, with a severe attack of neuralgia.

An epidemic called the "Pink Eye" has made its appearance here. Several families of this vicinity and many of the pupils of Mount Zion School have been attacked with it.

Mrs. H. M. Blair, of Moscow, who is on a visit to her son, Dr. J. S. Blair, of Churchville, is seriously ill.

Master Wade Hampton Hedrick, whose serious illness was heretofore reported, is rapidly improving.

A wide-awake business gentleman of our village has secured stock in the Buena Vista enterprise.

Mr. Peachy H. Propes, one of our most worthy citizens, having sold his farm here will leave shortly for Albemarle county, where he has purchased an excellent tract of land near Ivy Depot.

EAYER'S ALMOND CREAM softens and beautifies the skin, prepared by CHILD & SHELTON.

A Book for Business Men.

Many years ago, Sir Edward Sugden wrote for an English law journal a series of "Letters to a Man of Property." These letters were written in an attractive and popular style, and embraced such legal subjects as would be of the greatest interest and use to a country gentleman remote from town, who had often to act, from want of advice, on his own judgment. The journal in which they were published was much sought after, both in England and this country. So well did they cover the ground, and so popular did they become that they were subsequently collected and published in book form. The book met with an extensive circulation, and, after Sir Edward became Lord Saint Leonard, was re-written and a new edition to the public called, I think, "Lord St. Leonard's Laws of Property," which became still more popular with the legal profession and business men.

A few years later, Theophilus Parsons, LL. D., then in the zenith of his power as a lawyer, published a work on "The Laws of Business," modeled after Lord St. Leonard's book. The first edition became quite as popular as the English work, and many of the clearest-headed business men of the country pronounced it a book they could not afford to be without. Its popularity was not, however, so remarkable, when we consider that Judge Parsons is so well known in our courts as to need no introduction to a lawyer. He was a long time on the bench as Chief Justice of his native state, which position he resigned to accept the chair of Law Professor in the Law School of Harvard University.

His former works were, with one exception, written for lawyers exclusively. But he has now prepared an edition of "The Laws of Business" of broader and more practical scope, of great use not only to lawyers and justices, but also to bankers and business men. To the first edition, published nearly twenty years ago, he had only given such leisure as the duties of a law professor left him and compiled it mainly from the law books he had already made for the profession. He determined, therefore, to make at some future day a new edition of the work, which in course of time he commenced, but became satisfied it would not suffice, and nothing *would* cover all the ground the profession and practical business community had a right to expect but a new copyright and under it a *new book.*

This new book has happily been brought to perfection. It is distinguished from the old as John Bell's Standard Edition of "The Laws of Business," by Theophilus Parsons, LL.D. It entirely supersedes the edition modeled after Lord St. Leonard's book, by not only covering every imaginable position in which a business man can be placed, but also an entirely new set of Statutory and Commerce Law Forms. These forms are not in any sense to be characterized with the old antiquated copies usually found in the so-called "Manuals," "Compendiums," "Home Libraries" and "Every Man his own Lawyer" publications, but are such as have stood the test of judicial criticism, have been approved, and are therefore to be trusted. The author well says: "He must be a bold lawyer who would prefer forms of his own making to those which the courts and common use have sanctioned." A critical examination of them satisfies the writer that they comprise the only complete and safe collection of the kind he has ever seen. But as above stated, this new "Standard Edition" is not designed as a mere "Form Book," but as a book embracing all the principles of that vast system of Commercial Law and the Laws of Property which must necessarily guide business men and property-holders in their daily transactions and every-day relations, and magistrates in their decisions. The hundreds of legal questions it answers and explains are of such diversity of application that one must examine the prospectus to form a correct idea of the many valuable features of the work. It covers all those legal problems constantly arising in the Justice's Court and in connection with real and personal property and with negotiable paper, and the transaction of every kind of business, and every principle discussed is concise y drawn from the most recent decisions of the courts.

It thus not only supersedes the edition modeled after Lord St. Leonard's book, but is the only book of its kind so far reaching in its scope and practical usefulness as to deserve and receive the endorsement of the Chief Justices of the United States, the Associate Justices of the Supreme Bench, the Chief Judges of Courts of Appeals, and the most eminent lawyers of the State.

Rev. Edward Lane.

Spending the winter in this city are Rev. Ed. Lane and his wife. Their daughters are at school at the Augusta Female Seminary. Mr. Lane, in his youth, became an adopted citizen of our country, and Mrs. Lane was Miss Poague, of Rockbridge county.

The troubles of the country from 1861 to 1865 delayed the theological studies of Mr. Lane. During that time, he served the Confederate cause with devotion and zeal. Afterwards he completed his course at Union Theological Seminary, and was licensed by West Hanover Presbytery a minister in the Presbyterian church. He was sent to Southern Brazil in South America as a missionary of the Southern Presbyterian church. He, with Rev G. N. Morton of Charlotte, another young minister who had served through the war in the Richmond Honitzers, was placed at the new missionary station at Campinas, and since the commencement several other stations have been established in the southern as well as northern part of the Empire. Campinas is in the great coffee-growing region. Under Mr Lane a flourishing Evangelical school with departments for both sexes has been established at Campinas and branches. A synod has also been organized and many of the churches are self-sustaining. The synod embraces all the Presbyterian churches, and is national in its character and objects,

Mr. Lane's conversations giving the results of his observations of the people and the great Empire of South America with its twelve millions of inhabitants are highly interesting.

Europeans are rapidly emigrating to that country where there are so many opportunities for development. The natives are very partial to the people of the United States, and are glad to welcome them, and when advancing views of progress, take our country as the example. An enlarged commerce with Brazil would work wonderful results advantageous to both countries That would be greatly promoted if the United States were more maritime than they are.

Celery to Cure Rheumatism.

New discoveries—or what claim to be discoveries—of the healing virtues of the plants are continually being made. One of the latest is that celery is a cure for rheumatism; indeed it is asserted that the disease is impossible if the vegetable be cooked and is freely eaten. The fact that it is always put on the table raw prevents its therapeutic powers from being known. The celery should be cut into bits, boiled in water until soft, and the water drank by the patient. Put new milk, with a little flour and nutmeg into a saucepan with the boiled celery serve it warm with pieces of toast, eat it with potatoes and the painful element will soon yield. Such is the declaration of a physician who has again and again tried the experiment with uniform success. He adds that cold or damp never produces but simply developes the disease, of which acid blood is the primary cause, and that while the blood is alkaline there can be neither rheumatism nor gout.

Statistics show that in one year—1876—2 660 persons died of rheumatism in this country, who, it is claimed, might have been cured or prevented by the adoption of the remedy mentioned. At least two-thirds of the cases named heart disease are ascribed to rheumatism and its avenging ally, gout. Small-pox, so much dreaded, is not so destructive as rheumatism, which, it is maintained by many physicians, can be prevented by obeying nature's laws in diet. But, if you have incurred it, boiled celery is pronounced unhesitatingly to be the specific. The proper way to eat celery is to have it cooked as a vegetable after the manner above described. The writer makes constant use of it in this way. Try it once, and you would sooner do without any other vegetable, with the single exception of the potato rather than celery. Cooked celery is a delicious dish for the table, and the most conducive to the health of any vegetable that can be mentioned.—*Leed's Mercury.*

Oh, for the rarity of Christian charity! And the charity of christian ministers at that! Just at the time when poor EMMA ABBOTT is all heart sore over the loss of her husband, a number of Memphis clergymen, taking for a pretext the singing of a member of her opera company in one of the church choirs of that city, heap all sorts of indiscriminate abuse upon the little woman's devoted head! For shame! Can they not find some more worthy object of their wrath? The purity and piety of EMMA ABBOTT's life would put many a churchman to the blush.—*Index Appeal.*

PRELLER'S UNEASY GHOST.—A St. Louis dispatch to the New York Times says: A ghost story of large proportions has been radiating from the Southern Hotel for three days. In Room 144, in April, 1885, Maxwell chloroformed C. A. Preller to death. Then, after robbing the body, he packed it in a trunk, where it lay for two weeks. Since then the guests who have occupied the room have had strange experiences. The hotel people at first laughed at their fears, but the laugh soon turned to a sickly smile when some of the brave employes tried to sleep all night in the apartment. Groans and frightful noises, alternating with the opening and shutting of wardrobe doors, created a panic among the employes and guests. Finally the reported horrors of room 144 spread to such an extent among the traveling public that the room could not be assigned. Then the hotel people changed the number and called it 133. This had no effect on the circus. Last week one of the best-known men in the city occupied the room for three nights, and was then forced out. He is a man of sound sense and reliability. He said:

"I did not know of the Maxwell murder in connection with the room until after the exhibition. The first night I was awakened by rappings. They were just as plain as possible. Then the bureau drawers would open and close. Raps would sound all along the walls and ceiling. I rushed down to the night clerk and complained, and he then told me the history of the room. I went back the second night, and the same thing was repeated, only more violently. About 1 o'clock, while I was sitting up awake, two explosions occurred in the fireplace, and a piece of slate and plaster, as big as my hat came rattling down from the ceiling. That settled it, and I left." Manager Lewis refuses to talk about the room.

MRS. HARRISON'S FAITH IN HER HUSBAND'S PROMOTION.—Mr. Russell Harrison, son of the President elect, is reported to have told the following to a friend:—

"Mother has always had an idea, as long as I can remember," said the young man, "that father would some day be President of the United States. When he was defeated for re-election to the Senate she cheered him up and told him his chances for getting the Presidential nomination were better out of