Staunton Spectator.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1891.

Local Department.

SALES OF REAL ESTATE IN THE COUNTY.—Mr. Joseph Fauver has sold his farm of 61 acres near Parnassus for $49.18 per acre to Mr. R. L. Davis.

On last Saturday, E. M. Cushing & Son, Auctioneers, sold for Jas. Bumgardner, Com'r, the following: The Jas. Steele farm, 84¾ acres, lying near Greenville, to W. M. D. Hawpe for $30 an acre; the Jacob Burkett house and lot in Spring Hill, to W. H. Gamble for $150; a tract of 75½ acres of land two miles from Middlebrook, known as the David Bosserman place, to Wm. D. Hemp for $1,200.

VETERANS OF THE 5TH VA. REGIMENT.—The veterans of the 5th Va. Regiment are requested to meet at the Court-house next Monday—Court-day—to make arrangements to attend the unveiling of Jackson's statue at Lexington on July 21st. The price of the round-trip ticket to veterans wearing badges will be 75 cts.

Before purchasing your millinery go to the Bee-Hive Store, a large assortment to select from.

ELECTION FOR TREASURER IN HIGHLAND CONTESTED.—The commissioners of election in Highland county determined, on a canvass of the votes on the 30th of May, that J. A. Jones was elected Treasurer, but on the 6th of June, C. H. Marshall and others, on behalf of James B. Bradshaw, filed a complaint, setting forth that J. A. Jones was not duly and legally elected, but that James B. Bradshaw, his opponent, was duly elected to the office of County Treasurer.

STABLE BURNED.—On Thursday morning about 2 o'clock the stable belonging to the Basic Lumber & Coal Company, situated in Basic City near the C. & O. railroad bridge across South river was entirely consumed by fire.—Several sets of harness and about one half ton of hay were in the building at the time it was burned. In the evening five mules had been stabled in it, as was the custom, haltered, and securely locked in. However, before the stable was burned, the staple, driven four inches into oak, was pulled, the halters cut, leaving a part around their necks, and they were turned out. This seems to have been done before the stable was set on fire, as the mules did not appear frightened in the least. It is thought to be the work of an incendiary, but so far there is no clue.—Waynesboro' Times.

THE WAYNESBORO' FLOURING MILL IN FULL OPERATION.—The Waynesboro' Flouring Mill, under the management of Messrs. Bowling & Kivlighan, started Wednesday morning. The entire old force is retained, and it will be run to its full capacity continuously. Mr. Kivlighan will remain here in charge with Mr. J. Harry Humphreys as assistant. He informs us that they are already behind with their orders. They are buying wheat in large quantities, and are prepared to purchase it delivered at the mill, or depots of either the C. & O, or N. & W. R. R. Mr. Bowling, the senior member, is one of the oldest roller mill men in the State. The firm already has a large established trade. We are glad to welcome them to our business and social circle.—Waynesboro' Times.

Every business man is the farmer of his own fortune, and the harvest he reaps is entirely due to his own perseverance and industry.—If properly sown, there is not one seed that promises him better returns than liberal advertising.

For lace curtains, scrim and white quilts call at the Bee-Hive Store.

The congregation of the Lutheran church of this city, of which Rev. H. F. Shealy is the popular Pastor, have subscribed the sum of $300 towards the erection of the Lutheran church at Buena Vista.

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED.—The Trustees of the Public Schools of Staunton awarded the Scholarships won last session as follows:—

Miss Mary E. Trotter to Augusta Female Seminary; Miss Bertie Shewey to Wesleyan Female Institute; Misses Teresa Bagby and Maggie K. Cameron to the Virginia Female Institute.

O. K. LAPHAM MADE A NARROW ESCAPE.—The *Valley Virginian* of the 11th says:—

"Mr. O. K. Lapham, of Staunton, and Mr. Darnell, of Covington, made a narrow escape from drowning last Saturday. They were prospecting up Potts Creek Valley, and in attempting to cross the river in a buggy the whole outfit, including horse and men, was submerged. But finally they escaped without serious damage. On Monday Mr. Lapham returned to Staunton by way of Warm Springs and Millboro."

Meade F. White, Esq.

The *Spirit of the Valley* makes the following notice of Meade F. White, Esq., in connection with his successful defense of K. C. Henderson in the United States District Court at Harrisonburg:—

"The many friends of Mr. Meade F. White, the talented Commonwealth's Attorney of Augusta county, were delighted to see him here last week. He was attending the United States District Court, and made one of his characteristically able and eloquent speeches in defending K. C. Henderson, of Highland county. It is superfluous, however, to say that one of White's speeches is either eloquent or able, for they are always both."

TO DISPEL COLDS,

Headaches and Fevers, to cleanse the system effectually, yet gently, when costive or bilious, or when the blood is impure or sluggish, to permanently cure habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, use Syrup of Figs.

Organization at Raphine.

On Tuesday the 2nd instant, Mr. J. E. Hatcher, General Agent for the Atlanta, (Ga.) Building and Loan Association, organized, a local branch at Raphine. The officers for the year are J. R. McCormick, President, —— —— Hill, Vice-President, J. W. Bell, Secretary and Treasurer, with same and several other members as a board of directors. About 70 shares of stock were taken, 31 of which were investments and 36 loans. By a co operation with the liberal offers of the Raphine Improvement Company, this organization hopes to do a flourishing business.

A Distinguished Student.

R. B. Hamrick of this county, a member of the Senior Class in the Augusta Military Academy, of which Prof. Charles S. Roller is the Principal, had the honor of standing first in all his classes, with the high average of 99, and was thereby entitled to receive the scholarship at Washington & Lee University which is annually awarded the Cadet of the Senior Class who attains the highest percentage in all his studies.

MR. PHIL. KNAPP, OPTICIAN, is again in Staunton and will remain until July 7th.

Office in Dr. Burkholder's Dental Rooms over Maj. Hart's store. Glasses accurately suited. Examination free.

Summer Excursion Tickets.

To all northern and eastern seaside, lakeside, and mountain resorts, as well as to Deer Park and Oakland, the Virginia Springs, Niagara Falls, Luray Caverns, Gettysburg, and to all points, in fact, where people gather in search of health and pleasure, are now on sale at all Baltimore and Ohio Railroad ticket offices at greatly reduced rates. These tickets will be sold from June 1st to September 30th; and are valid for return passage until October 31st. Before selecting your route or resort consult B. & O. summer excursion book in which shortest routes and lowest rates via "Picturesque B. & O." to all resorts are given from points on that road east of the Ohio river; profusely and artistically illustrated. This book can be procured free of charge upon personal application of ticket Agents, B. & O. R. R. Co., or you can have it mailed to you by sending name and address with 7 cents in stamps to Chas. O. Scull, Gen'l Passenger Agent, Baltimore, Md.

KICKED BY A HORSE.—On last Thursday, Mr. Wm. H. Huggens was badly kicked on the side of his head by one of the horses at Mr. S. T. Thornburg's stable, inflicting a very bad wound about three inches long exposing his skull. Dr. A. M. Henkel was summonsed and rendered the surgical attention necessary, but he is still in a very precarious condition.

At a meeting of the West Lynchburg Land Company on Saturday it was decided to sell the large hotel now nearly completed belonging to the company, and any of the assets held by the company, real or personal property, and to apply the proceeds in paying off the obligations of the concern.

Personal.

On the 24th inst., at Longdale, Alleghany county, Mr. Wm. A. Richardson, of Balcony Falls, will marry Miss Katie F. Alvis.

Preston A. Baylor, Esq., has returned from his recent visit to Missouri.

Mrs. Maj. John W. Harris, of Lewisburg, W. Va., is on a visit to relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. Rachael Burdett, of this city, is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. John A. McClung in Greenbrier, Co., W. Va.

Mr. Scott Cunningham, of Upper Tract, W. Va., passed through this City yesterday on his way to attend the closing exercises of the Washington & Lee University at Lexington, Va.

Hon. James Hay, of Madison county, was married on Tuesday of last week to Miss Fannie Gordon, daughter of Col. W. W. Gordon, of Richmond. Mr. Hay's first wife was a Miss Tatum, of Harrisonburg, a sister of Dr. Rives Tatum.

Mr. Chas. Gaylor and Miss Rena McDonald from the Elkton neighborhood in Rockingham county were married last week on the bridge at Harper's Ferry, as they were too young to get a license to marry in Rockingham without the consent of their parents, and that consent had not been given.

In Bridgewater, Rockingham county, Mr. Christian Grandle and Miss Florence Kiester were married while sitting in their carriage in front of Rev. J. W. Click's store on the 4th inst. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Click.

The Bridgewater correspondent of the *Spirit of the Valley* says Rev. Mr. Paul, of Mossy Creek preached a very interesting and instructive sermon in the Presbyterian Church at Bridgewater on Sunday night of last week.

Cadet James R. Sterrett, first Captain of the corps of cadets of the V. M. I., and who will graduate on the 25th, has been elected Commandant of Cadets at the Davis Military Academy, Winston, N. C., and accepted the position, Cadet Sterrett is a son of S. W. Sterrett, Esq., of Highland county.

Mr.—— Cummings, of Delaware, is to be the editor of the daily paper soon to be issued in this city.

Harry H. Bolen, the skillful matchmaker and engraver of Henry L. Lang's jewelry establishment, will return from Baltimore tomorrow with his bride. He went there on Saturday to be married at 8 o'clock last night to Miss Hattie C. Childs, an estimable young lady of that city. They will begin housekeeping soon in the Winthrop street dwelling now being erected by Mr. Bolen. He is a young man of high character, and has the hearty congratulations of all by whom he is known.

Mr. Joseph D. Cochran, of Folly Mills, Augusta Co., has returned home from the University of Virginia, where he has been pursuing a post-graduate course in chemistry, and attending lectures in other kindred schools. Mr. Cochran has, besides winning distinction in his studies at the University of Virginia, been elected professor of chemistry and metallurgy in the school of mines connected with the University of Missouri. He had been previously elected Professor of Chemistry in the University of Arkansas, but declined for personal reasons. It is expected that Mr. Cochran will leave for his duties in the University of Missouri in the fall.

If Virginia were credited with the population and talent she has furnished to other States, she would now occupy a higher rank among the States of the Union in these respects. When will Virginia learn to appreciate home talents and home products.

OPERA ENTERTAINMENTS DURING THE SUMMER.

We learn from Mr. B. Mendelson, Business Manager of the Warde-Bowers Opera Company of New York, consisting of eighteen members, that that Company will give entertainments during the Summer in a spacious pavilion to be erected in the Park. This will give our music-loving people and others an opdortunity to spend pleasantly the nights of Summer. The pavilion will be made to accommodate a large audience, so that all who may attend will be pleasantly seated. The prices will be low, so that all may partake of the enjoyment furnished by the entertainments.

Engineers in Highland.

The Highland *Recorder* of the 12th instant says that, at that time, the party under Engineer Vincent were encamped 7 miles North of Monterey, and says:—

"The route now being looked out by this corps, so far as we have heard, is by Doe Hill, Samples' Divide, Straight Creek, Crabbottom Mills, Hardscrabble, and thence across Alleghany mountain.

The building of a road over this route would necessarily be expensive, yet roads have been built through more rugged places. One thing that can be counted on is that this road, if built, will make Staunton one of the leading cities of Virginia, and the road will be a paying one throughout."

The same issue of the *Recorder* says:—

"An engineer sent out by the Pittsburg and Virginia Railroad Company, this week viewed a route up Bullpasture from Goshen, over the Samples' Divide, and on through Crabbottom, over the Dandridge Survey. We learn he also examined the Jackson river country and the Gauitown Pass, but concluded that the grade was too heavy thro' the gap by way of Hightown.

It seems that all these engineers are stearing clear of Monterey, but we think the fact that the Jackson's River Valley is the most natural route for a road will gradually dawn upon their minds. Railroads have been rather scarce in Highland for the last century, but from appearances we will have a per?ect net-work of them this winter; and it seems that the "Six Railroads" prediction of the *Recorder* will be fulfilled. "So "mote" it be."

THE PINES DYING.—The Highland *Recorder* says:—

"Mr. Joseph Hull, who returned from Staunton last week, informs us that in going along the Staunton and Parkersburg Turnpike from West Augusta eastward, one can see dead pine trees on the mountains for miles and miles. He says it looks as though there would not be a pine tree left. In this county we have not noticed anything wrong with the pines, only that caused by fire. If the timber is dying in as large quantities as reported, the loss to the owners thereof will certainly be enormous."

Virginia Female Institute.

The following are those pupils in the Virginia Female Institute, of which Mrs. Gen. J. E. B. Stuart is the efficient Principal, who at the recent session were full graduates, and those who were awarded medals and prizes:—

FULL GRADUATES.

Eloise Elder, of Staunton, Va., Cora Shepherd, of Staunton, Va., and Lizzie Talbott, of Va.

Graduates in the school of music, Mary Marrow, of Va.; Graduate in the school of English, Maude Bryan of Miss.

GOLD MEDALS

were awarded Maude Bryan of Miss., for Calisthenics; C. Shepherd of Va., for Scholarship in the Collegiate department; R. Anderson of Va., for Scholarship in the Academic department; L. Spitler of Va., for scholarship in the Primary department; M. Marrow of Va., for Instrumental Music; E. Dunlop, District of Columbia, for Vocal Music; L. Talbott of Va., for General Excellence among the boarders; Meta Hollihen of Staunton, for General Excellence among the day pupils; M. Marrow of Va., Excellence in Drawing.

Prizes were awarded L. Tucker of Colorado, for Composition; R. Anderson of Va., for Penmanship; Maude Cooke of Va., for Calisthenics; N. Hammond of Md., for Plain Sewing; J. Bronse of W. Va., for Drawing, and W. Brewer of N. J., for Painting.

For the Spectator.

MARRIAGE AT SHEMERIAH CHURCH.—The little church, Shemariah, was thronged Tuesday morning the 9th at 6 o'clock in celebration of the marriage of Mr. Adam H. Baylor and Miss Julia E. Baylor, each having three attendants advanced to the altar, while the beautifully decorated walls echoed the melodies of the wedding march on the organ. The bride and groom started immediately for a trip of a week to Washington and other eastern city.

In the gathering were people from Middlebrook, Newport and elsewhere, whose ages ranged from eighty-seven to childhood. A number of gifts were presented, including a beautiful gold watch and a set of gold-lined silver goblets. O.

[The above was intended for last week's issue, but was not received till Wednesday morning after the SPECTATOR was published.]

MRS HURLEY RECEIVES ANOTHER STROKE OF PARALYSIS.—We mentioned the sad fact in our issue of the 10th instant, that Mrs. Julia Hurley had been seriously paralyzed, and that her condition was critical. We are sorry to state that, on last Saturday, she received another stroke and is growing weaker. Her attending physician, Dr. A. M. Henkel, who has been doing all that medical skill can do in such a case, is fearful that she will not recover. It would be very remarkable if she should.

P. S.—After the above was in type, Mrs. Hurley died yesterday at half past 10 o'clock. The burial will take place this—Wednesday—afternoon at half past 5 o'clock from the St. Francis (Catholic) church.

Weather Warmer in the North Than Here.

For the past several days the weather has been about as warm as it ever gets to be in this locality. It is very seldom, indeed, that a good thermometer, hung in the shade where it is unaffected by reflected heat from any quarter, registers the temperature here above 88 degrees. Thermometers may be in the shade, and yet register the temperate too high, as is almost always the case, in consequence of being affected more or less by reflected heat, and it is in this way that we have reports of the temperate sometimes as being at ninety-odd and even a hundred degrees.

On Monday afternoon the thermometer registered 88 degrees, and on yesterday at 12 o'clock 88 degrees, which, as before remarked, is about as warm as it ever gets to be in this place. After that hour the mercury fell to 82 degrees, and clouds were formed which obscured the sun. The weather on Monday was warmer in the North than here. Rhode Island 107 degrees; Connecticut, 92; Massachusetts, 98; New York, 97½; Baltimore, 93. It gets colder in the North and West in the Winter and warmer in the Summer than it does here. Virginia has the most equable climate.

Fire! Fire!!

About a quarter to 3 o'clock on last Monday morning, the alarm of fire was sounded by Policeman Collins from Box 24, having observed that a fire was raging in the upper part of the building near the depot owned by Mr. C. T. Palmer and occupied by Mr. Michael Kivlighan. The firemen promptly responded, and by flooding for some hours the fourth story in which the fire originated, they succeeded in saving the other portions of the building. Mr. Kivlighan lost hay, wheat, oats, corn, flour and clover and grass seeds to an amount, not yet definitely estimated, but supposed to be between three and four thousand dollars. Fortunately, both the stock belonging to Kivlighan, and the building belonging to Palmer were insured to more than the amounts of the losses in companies of which W. A. Burke and Hoge & McChesney are the agents in this city.

If this fire had occurred a few weeks ago, the loss of Mr. Kivlighan would have been very great, for then his stock was much greater and more valuable.

This building adjoins that which was occupied by James Blackley, when, some time since, a similar fire occurred. The origin of the fire is unknown. Some suppose that, as the hay was packed to the iron roof, and the day preceding was very warm, it may have been ignited by the heat of the roof. As the hay was old and dry it is not probable that it was caused by spontaneous combustion resulting from fermentation or chemical action.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Programme of Final Celebrations, 1891.

Sunday, June 28th, 8 P. M.—Final Celebration of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Sermon before the Association by Rev. R. N. Sledd, D. D., of Norfolk, Va.

Monday, June 29th, 8 P. M.—Final Celebration of the Washington Literary Society.

President, George N. Conrad, of Virginia.

Debater, Charles F. Spencer, of Kentucky.

Orator, Henry A. Etheridge, of Georgia.

Tuesday, June 30th, 10 A. M.—Meeting of the Society of Alumni.

11 A. M.—Address before the Literary Societies by Hon. Henry Watterson, of Kentucky.

Award of the Magazine Medal.

8 P. M.—Final Celebration of the Jefferson Literary Society.

President, Robert Spratt Cockrell, of Florida.

Debater, William G. Peterkin, of West Virginia.

Orator, Henry Louis Smith, of North Carolina.

Wednesday, July 1st, 9 A. M.—Meeting of the Society of Alumni.

10 A. M.—Closing Exercises of the University.

Award of University Degrees.

Address before the Society of Alumni by Hon. W. L. Wilson, of West Virginia.

An Accident.

Whilst Mr. William Bryan, son of Mr. John Bryan, and Mr. A. C. Barton's little son were out riding in a dog-cart a few days since the horse took fright and ran off the road, throwing them both out, and fracturing the lower jaw-bone of the former, and bruising them both badly. Drs. Atkinson and A. M. Henkel were called in and rendered the necessary surgical attention. Both of them are now able to sit up and be about some.

MULE RUNS AWAY WITH A CART—PARTIES MAKE NARROW ESCAPES.—About 6 o'clock last Monday evening a mule hitched to a cart became frightened and ran down Gospel Hill. At the corner of the Valley Mutual Association building, at the corner of Main and Market streets, the wheel of the cart struck and broke off and knocked down the iron lamp-post on that corner to which the mail-box is attached.

At the time, "Bill Montgomery," the blind mail-carrier for the D. D. & B. Institution, and a nurse with a child of Mr. B. Becher, Jr., in her arms, were standing at the corner of the building on the pavement. The iron lamp-post in its fall struck "Bill Montgomery" on the leg, and knocked him down, fortunately not hurting him much, and just grazed the head of the child in the arms of its nurse, who escaped without injury.

These parties made very narrow escapes from serious, if not fatal, injuries.

A large variety of gents' furnishing goods in shirts, underwear, half hose, collars and cuffs, we can't be beat. Call and examine our stock at the Bee-Hive Store.

FROM CRAIGSVILLE.

SUICIDE OF A YOUNG MAN.

On last Thursday, the 11th inst., about 12 o'clock as he was going to his work with his uncle, Mr. Frank Nycum, to Mr. I. H. Young's steam saw-mill near Bell's Valley, young E. E. Nycum, of Roanoke City, drew out his revolver and blew out his brains, the ball entering immediately above the right ear.

This distressing occurrence was caused by this youth of only 18 years of age having been accused of stealing a gold-plated watch of one Mr. Powell, who also was employed at the same mill as one of the hands. The evening before this sad occurrence, this young man received an anonymous letter saying that, if he did not return the watch by Saturday morning he would be arrested and sent to the State prison, as the case had been put in a detective's hand and that he had been spotted as the thief. He protested his innocense of this false charge, and said before he would lie under such a charge he would kill himself; but no one thought any more about it until the sad event, above chronicled, occurred. The deceased was of a good family and leaves a father and sister to mourn his untimely and sad death.

The man who lost the watch left a few days before for parts unknown. He had never paid for the watch himself. This was a ruse.

D. B.

PARNASSUS.

FARMERS' ALLIANCE—KICKED BY A HORSE—PERSONALS—ROSE-BUGS.

The Parnassus Farmers' Alliance, at their meeting on the 13th instant, passed resolutions expressing the esteem for and regret at the death of their venerable comrade, Mr. Francis Gilkeson. This Alliance is in excellent working trim and is steadily increasing its membership. At this session, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: N. B. Hulvey, President; A. J. Fairburn, Vice President; M. Bruce Whitmore, Secretary; A. A. Crawford, Treasurer; W. H. Floyd, Lecturer; J. A. Whitmore, Chaplain; G. F. Irvine, Steward; J. T. Hiner, Asst. Steward; A. R. Whitmore, Sg't-at arms; R. H. Dudley, Business Agent.

Mr. J. Huffer's little son was kicked by a horse last Sunday morning at Elk Run, German Baptist church. Fortunately, the little fellow escaped with two ugly wounds over and under the left eye.

Several of our citizens interested in Kanawka City stock left yesterday to attend the sale and drawing of lots.

Mr. Asa Clark left for Basic City, to engage in business there.

A very destructive insect, called the rose-bug is playing havoc with grapes, cherries and other fruit in this vicinity. In several orchards, they have destroyed many apples and peaches.

Joseph W. Jefferson, son of the comedian, and Miss Blanche Bender were married in Brooklyn.

An iron bridge, costing $15,000, has been completed over the Cowpasture river at Goshen.

The great vegetable substitute for pills is Simmons Liver Regulator.

Special Meeting of the City Council.

A called meeting of the Council was held last night, at the request of citizens living on Gospel Hill, affected by the cut now under progress, on E. Main street, claiming that the work—one of great importance—was ordered and commenced without due consideration, and will result in great injury to valuable property fronting thereon. After hearing statements of Capt. Marquis and Messrs. Witz and Holt in connection with the paper read, the Council resolved to refer the paper presented to the Street committee and engineer, with authority to confer with the petitioners and ascertain of a different grade than the one adopted can yet be agreed upon; if so, another meeting of the Council will be held to consider such change. If none can be agreed on, the work will proceed as ordered by the Council on June 5, 1891.

MT. SOLON.

The following was intended for the issue of last week, but was not received till the paper was published.

MT. SOLON, June 9th.

Your Mount Solon correspondent would claim a brief space in your columns this week. Although we have had so much rain and wind, the ladies have been quite busy, and successful with their strawberry festivals had two last week to assist in the purchase of a new organ for the Methodist Episcopal Church South in Mount Solon. The organ which we have used for several years, is in good repair and a nice organ, but Prof. Clarke, our organist, said we should have a larger organ. So the old one was disposed of, and Mr. J. E. Bolen now owns it, and we hope to have our new organ very soon.

Last Wednesday morning Mr. Benjamin Reid, the oldest citizen of our village breathed his last. He had connected himself with the Mossy Creek Congregation during Mr. Rosebro's pastorate. Mr. Reid was aged about eighty-five—had passed the allotted time of man. He had kind neighbors, and friends who ministered to him during his sickness, and performed the last service after death. He was buried at Parnassus with his first wife. We are glad to learn Mr. J. J. Copp is improving. &.

When needing table linens, towels, napkins, and want them cheap, call at the Bee-Hive Store.

RECENTLY ISSUED.

VIRGINIA MOUNTAINS AND SEA SHORE: 36 pages. Of special interest to seekers of delightful Summer Homes among the Mountains and on the Coast.

PERSONALLY CONDUCTED TOURS: 32 pages. Daylight tours through the Virginias, visiting White Sulphur Springs, Natural Bridge, Luray Caverns, Richmond, Va., and Old Point Comfort. Hotel expenses included in the price of Round Trip Ticket which is $35.00

SPRINGS, MOUNTAINS AND SEA SHORE RESORTS: 24 page leaflet with illustrated map locating the Summer Resorts among the Alleghany Mountains in Virginia.

SUMMER HOMES: 8 page leaflet giving list of Private Families living among the Alleghany Mountains in Virginia, who are prepared to take Summer Boarders.

F. F. V. (FAST FLYING VIRGINIAN:) Vestibuled Limited between Cincinnati and New York via Washington. Pullman Vestibule Sleeping Car Service is maintained by the F. F. V. between Louisville, Lexington and Washington, (through Sleeping Car Tickets being sold between Louisville and New York,) also between Cincinnati and Old Point Comfort. Pullman Sleeping Car Washington to Boston. Through Dining Car between Cincinnati and New York. 10 page leaflet giving Time Table of the F. F. V. and also of the Washington and Cincinnati Fast Line.

The above publications will be mailed free by addressing H. W. FULLER, G. P. A., C. & O. R'y, Cincinati, Ohio, or by applying to any C. & O. Ticket-Agent. Jun10-8t

Base Ball Game.

The Base Ball Clubs—"The Staunton Universals" and the "Staunton Shoe-Factory Club"—will play a game at the Fair Grounds, on Saturday next, June 20th, at 3:30 P. M. As these clubs have very fine batteries, a good game can be expected. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance as the "Universals" Club desires to buy uniforms.

Admittance 25 cents. Ladies admitted free.

Effect of the Baccarat Trial—Ovation to Sir William.

Notwithstanding the evidence against Sir William Gordon Cumming and the result of the trial against him, it seems that a large portion of the people of England, and especially of Scotland, do not believe him guilty of the charge of cheating at the game of Baccarat, and it is probable that the result of the trial, though seemingly a small cause, will be to shake the throne of England. The people are greatly displeased with the conduct of Prince Albert, the heir apparent to the throne, whilst Sir Wm. Gordon Cumming and his American bride are receiving ovations of the most flattering character in Scotland, the home of his ancestors, where his estates are, and where the people know him and admire him, and believe most implicitly in his innocence. History is full of examples of the fact that great effects result from what seem to be small causes, and this trial promises to add to the number. It will weaken the ties that bind the people of Great Britian to the throne, and sap the foundations of their monarchical government, and hasten the day when it shall become a Republic. The tendency has been in that direction for some time, and the result of this trial will be to add impetus to it.

A despatch to the N. Y. *Herald* dated Forres, Scotland, June 13th, gives an account of the reception of Sir William and his bride at all the stations. At Forres the whole population seems to have turned out to welcome them.

The *Herald* despatch says:—

"Everybody was there and everybody was cheering. In the forefront of the battle stood Provost Watson, a striking figure, in his gorgeous robes of office. Sir William and party were at once engulfed. The Provost faced him and delivered a warm address of welcome. At the finish there was more cheering. Sir William stood erect as if on parade, lifted his hat, bowed slightly and in a voice as steady as a rock gave a brief and hearty expression of thanks.

DRAWN BY SCOTS TO ALTYRE.

Sir William's reply evoked tremendous enthusiasm, and everybody on the outside edging of the crowd began at once to manifest a desire to get into the inner circle. On account of the crush Sir William was able to introduce Lady Cumming to only a few of the principal people. Finally, amid uproarious cheers, the party were permitted to get into their carriage which was in waiting. The horses were unharnessed and a dozen stout Scots took hold of the pole and sped toward Altyre at top speed, everybody cheering like mad. At the limit of the town horses were substituted for the descendants of Wallace, but were not allowed to start before a lovely bouquet was presented to Lady Cumming by the little daughter of Mr. Cruickshank, the retired manager of the Bank of Bengal.

When the excitement had subsided somewhat I talked with several leading men of the town, twenty at least, they were all of one mind. One said:—"If Sir William had been tried by a Highland jury he would not only have been acquitted, but have got ample damages." Prevost Watson said he did not believe Sir William Gordon Cumming guilty, for if he had he would not have voted for the resolution to present him with an address of welcome.

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The whole matter was canvassed, he said, before it was decided to present the address of welcome, and it could be accepted as the strongest possible evidence of the belief of Sir William's innocence that every member of the municipal government signed the address. He commented most bitterly on the one sided character of Lord Coleridge's charge. So said they all."

The first shipment of block tin, consisting of seven tons, from Temescal tin mines, in San Bernardino county, Cal., has been received at San Francisco

They Were Expelled.

It is frequently said, and very truly, that the best woman is infinitely better than the best man, and that the worst woman is incomparably worse than the worst man.

In like manner we may say of the Church that when it is at its best it is the strongest influence for good on the planet, and when it is at its worst it can make infidels faster than a grist mill can grind corn.

The news from Pittsburg, Pa., that six bright, conservative, eloquent and popular young ministers were expelled by the Reformed Presbyterian Synod is calculated to make the people prick up their ears. Have they been guilty of burglary or arson? Did they carry concealed weapons? Are they pirates or highway robbery? Have they tampered with the treasury of the Church or committed murder? Not at all. They have simply declared that a minister has a right to vote like any other citizen, while the Church to which they belong insists that we are living under "a godless constitution" and that no minister should cast a ballot.

Yes, this is the nineteenth century, though you wouldn't think it. We are living under a *regime* of common sense, though that synod furnishes no proof of the fact, but, on the contrary, is a relic of the Middle Ages, when superstition took the place of reason and measureless stupidity was substituted for religion. It would seem impossible for a man with a head on his shoulders to tell his congregation that it is morally wrong to support by their votes the institutions which have made this country prosperous and happy. It would be sheer flattery to call him a crank, honest of course, but still a crank. For any organization of the clergy, however, to expel a member because he dares to exercise the right of suffrage as an American citizen is about as serious an offence as can be committed by any one who pretends to be sane.

Mme. Roland cried as she approached the scaffold, "Oh, Liberty! what crimes are committed in thy name!" It would be equally just to exclaim, Oh, religion! what intolerable blunders your teachers are guilty of!—*N. Y. Herald.*

For the life of us we can't see what object the republicans can have in nursing the ghost of the force bill, but Senators Gorman of Maryland, and Faulkner of West Virginia, are authority for the statement that it will be revived as soon as the republicans see a shadow of a chance of passing it.—*Danville Register.*

Certainly they will pass the force-bill as soon as they get the power to do so. Don't you remember that their strongest and most persistent argument for passing it was the fact that their party was pledged, in the canvass in which Harrison was elected, to pass the force-bill. They maintained that those of their party who voted against it were recreant to the pledges of their party.

The only way to prevent the passage of the force-bill is to prevent the Republican from getting the power to do so. They want the force-bill because they expect by its means to perpetuate their party in power. Don't give them a chance to pass it.

Anti-Harrison Conclave.

We are afraid that Harrison will fail to get a nomination for re election. He has been wounded in the house of his friends at his own home in Indianapolis. A despatch from that city the day after the meeting referred to says:—

"Anent the political conference held here yesterday, the only point denied by the participants is that the meeting was an out-and-out Gresham affair, but all admit that it was distinctly in opposition to President Harrison, and that while most of the men present were unwaveringly for Gresham, that fact was not made the basis for any decisive action in his interest.

The most significant utterances of the meeting was by Col. Conger, who is a member of the republican national committee. Said he:

"John C. New is the only member of the national committee who favors the renomination of Harrison," and it is also stated that Mr. Conger declared that he would spend $100,000 to defeat Mr. Harrison's re-nomination.

This conference was arranged for and a call issued about a month ago, the principal movers in it being C. W. Fairbanks and Col. Conger. The conference expressed a determination to oppose President Harrison in the convention, but to stand by him if nominated. A desire to support Blaine was voiced, but this was not unanimous."

THE TUNKER ANNUAL MEETING.—The great annual meeting of the German Baptists, was held last week at Hagerstown, Md. Very large crowds were in attendance from Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and other States. The beautiful weather, with the excellent location of the meeting, contributed to the enjoyment of all. The officers elected were Daniel Vaniman, of Kansas, Moderator; M. J. McClure, of Illinois, Reading Clerk; D. R. Miller, of Kansas, Secretary; Samuel Driver, of Virginia, Doorkeeper.

Quite a large number of queries of much interest to the church were presented; some were disposed of, and others were postponed for future meetings.

The annual meeting replied to a query that gold ornaments, not even gold spectacles, for personal wear, were not permitted by the church. Elders were authorized to anoint dying persons. It was determined that the Bible be recognized as the only safe guide, and the remarks of the annual meeting be held as advisory and not mandatory. A paper from a Western church asking if a member could not be prohibited from selling tobacco even to the injury of his business in other commodities, was referred again to the standing committee. It was decided that members of the church, while under any charge, even though before trial, were not allowed to partake of communion. Replying to a paper from Illinois the convention determined that there was no objection to a church member holding public office if honestly appointed.

The subject of divorce was considered and much discussed, but the final action left the matter just where it has been for years.—*State Republican*, June 11th.

It has long been the habit of the Treasury Department in Washington to issue daily statements of the condition of that department. That very healthy custom has now been abolished, and no more exhibits are to be given the public for information, at least for the present. This would argue that the finances of the Treasury Department are at a low ebb at this time, and likely to remain so far some length of time, for if it were otherwise, and the Treasury was as flush of funds as it has been, Secretary Foster would be more than glad to issue a daily bulletin of the fact. But the late Billion Congress wiped out all of the surplus, the monthly receipts from customs and incomes have greatly diminished, and the Secretary now finds himself compelled to borrow money to redeem the $150,000,000 4½ bonds falling due September 1st. Isn't this a rich commentary upon a Republican administration that has only been in two years? But the worst, in all probability, has not been yet reached, and the refusal of Mr. Foster to issue any more daily bulletins will hardly conceal it from the public, but rather increase the fears and stringency in the money centres. It will require another Democratic administration to apply the necessary remedy, correct the abuses, and bring back the government expenditures to a normal and healthy condition. That cannot be until 1892.—*Lynchburg News.*

It is now estimated that 120 excursionists were drowned by the falling of railroad cars from a broken bridge into the river Moechen near Basle, Switzerland, Sunday.

HOMICIDE AND SUICIDE.—On last Sunday near Alexandria, Rev. Frank D. Lee, in a spell of temporary insanity, killed his son, aged 9 years, to whom he was much attached, and then killed himself. He was a man of ability and cultivation, a graduate of the University of Virginia, and of the theological Seminary.

Cumming's Royal Welcome.

FLAGS FLYING AND FLOWERS ON THE WAY.

LONDON, June 13.—Sir William Gordon Cumming and his bride received what is generally known as a "Royal welcome" upon their arrival at Forres, Scotland, near which Burgh Altyre, the baronet's estate, is situated. The bride and bridegroom were welcomed by the Provost of Forres at the head of the municipal authorities and neighbors. The town was decorated with flags, flowers, and bunting, and on their way to Altyre, Sir William and Lady Gordon Cumming passed beneath several handsome floral arches. The newly married couple were enthusiastically cheered by the inhabitants of Forres and its neighborhood, who had gathered for many miles around in order to show their sympathy with the owners of Altyre. The Provost of Forres, upon the arrival of Sir William and Lady Gordon Cumming at that place, made them a public address of welcome, and presented them with the congratulations of the inhabitants of the town. Nothing was wanting to show the bridal couple that though some people might frown upon them, the sturdy Scotch burghers of Forres had resolved to testify in as open manner as possible their sympathy with the Laird of Altyre in the troubles which hovered over him and his loyal-hearted bride.

REV. SAM SMALL DROPPED.—The Colorado Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in session at Grace Church, Denver, Friday voted to admit women as lay delegates to the convention, and dropped from membership in the church the Rev. Sam Small. Mr. Small's connection with the Methodist University at Ogden, Utah, as its president and alleged shortages in his accounts are the basis upon which the conference acted.

JUDGE HUGHES WILL NOT RETIRE.—Judge Robert Hughes, of the United States District Court, was seventy years old Thursday, and, under the law, could retire from the bench, with full pay. There are some Republican lawyers in the State who would be greatly pleased if the Judge would avail himself of the provision of the law referred to. He is in the enjoyment of splendid health and hasn't the slightest idea of retiring. The Judge looks as young and as well to-day as he did a dozen years ago. Of course those who had an eye on the judgeship for the Eastern district of Virginia will be greatly pleased to hear of this.

The President on Monday issued a proclamation to the effect that England and this country have come to an agreement that no seals shall be killed by British subjects until next May, and that Americans shall kill only 7,500 until that time.

A significant fact in connection with the secession of the six ministers of the Reformed Presbyterian church is that they are all young men who declare themselves unwilling to be bound by the cast iron dogmas and doctrines which originated four hundred years ago and are antagonistic to the enlightened and enlightening spirit of the present day.—Index-Appeal.

Just how profitable will contests are to the contestants is illustrated by the result of one of these suits in New York. The testator left $17,000; $5,000 to his widow and $12,000 to Henry George for the dissemination of single tax literature. The contest closed with the award of $296 to the widow and $218 to Henry George. The lawyers got the rest.—*Index Appeal*

The Itata, in charge of the United States naval officers, with the cruiser Charleston as convoy, sailed from Iquique on Saturday night.

At a meeting of the board of visitors of the Virginia Agricultural College it was proposed to see if a better location than Blacksburg could not be secured and the college removed.

MARRIAGES.

DAVIS—DEARING.—June 4th, by Rev. H. D Bishop, Mr. David Davis, of Page county, and Miss Lizzie K. Dearing, of Rockingham.

GRANDLE—KIESTER—June 4th, at Bridgewater, by Rev. John W.