

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.
LOCAL BRIEFS.

Get your money's worth at the opera house tonight.
The Red Men of Staunton had a blow out on Wednesday night at their lodge rooms over Way's drug-store.
Capt. F. C. Morton offers for rent an eight-room brick residence on Frederick street, centrally located. See advertisement in this paper.
No news of importance has reached this country concerning the war in South Africa. At present the Boers appear to have the advantage.
At present there are only 24 applicants for the position of steward at the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind made vacant by the resignation of W. S. Gooch.
J. C. Lewis as Si Plunkard, will appear at the opera house this Friday night, supported by a strong company.
Irvine Taylor, of near Greenville, is in jail awaiting the action of the grand jury on the charge of assaulting Maria Doyle.
McElhany and Hillary, real estate agents, have moved their office from Masonic Temple to their new quarters in the Marquis building on the corner of Main and Augusta streets.
B. B. Buchanan, clerk in the store of C. D. Higginbotham, and Miss Lottie Zirkle were married in Washington last Thursday. The marriage was quite a surprise to their friends.
The fourth Thursday in May has been agreed upon by the Democratic caucus as the day upon which a vote is to be taken for and against a constitutional convention.
If it is an evening of real enjoyment you are after be sure to go to the opera house tonight.
There was a slight fire early Wednesday morning in the third story of the Argus building. The fire department responded promptly to the alarm sent in from box 24 and soon quenched the flames. The damage was trifling.
The congregation of Hebron church, which was recently destroyed by fire, have decided to erect a new church to cost \$9,000. A meeting will be held at an early date to decide upon calling a pastor to succeed Rev. J. E. Booker, resigned.
At a congregational meeting of the Second Presbyterian church, held last Sunday, A. S. Morton was elected permanent clerk and Messrs. Arthur Wilson, B. F. Hughes and N. C. Kester, elders. They will be ordained next Sunday morning.
There will be preaching next Sunday at 11 a. m., at Mt. Tabor Lutheran church after which a meeting will be held to decide whether a call shall be extended to Rev. G. W. Spiggle, of Pennsylvania, to become the pastor of that church.
The Elks of this city will give a minstrel performance in the opera house in this city on next Thursday night, the 15th. The performers will be of genuine talent and an evening of genuine pleasure is promised all who attend.
James Smith, colored, was arrested Wednesday on the charge of passing counterfeit money. He attempted to pass the money on a Greenville avenue man, and did pass it so far as to refuse to accept same in return. Uncle Sam's officer, John Rodgers, took Smith in charge.
A rare musical treat is promised by Managers Shultz & Barkman at the opera house next Friday night, the 16th, as they have engaged the International Grand Operatic Company to give one of its magnificent performances on that evening. Particulars will be given later. Remember the date.
Among the delegates appointed by Governor Tyler to represent Virginia in the International Mining Congress, which meets in Milwaukee on June 19th, next, are the following: Hon. Edward Echols, J. Mason Miller, Jr., Hon. A. F. Withrow and Hugh B. Sprout.
Wm. T. Baillie, the infant son of Thos. D. Baillie, died last Sunday night after a lingering illness that developed into pneumonia. The funeral took place from the residence of his parents on Tuesday morning and the remains taken to Buena Vista for interment. The little one was only 18 months old and had been in delicate health for a long time.
The man who was taken off of the train at Clifton Forge, and was supposed to have small-pox, has died. The citizens were naturally much excited, but a physician went up on this city and pronounced the case not small-pox, much to the relief of the people. There has not been a case of small-pox in Clifton Forge for a number of years.
A new enterprise has been started in this vicinity in the reopening of the Crozier Iron mine. The mine has not been worked for many years, but the rise in the price of iron has caused the promoters, Messrs. Powell, Crawford, Kennedy and Harvey, to open up. They will build a branch railroad connecting with the Norfolk and Western near Greenville.
Samuel Claytor, of Sampson, died on Thursday last week from the effects of drinking too much Jamaica ginger. His funeral took place last Saturday and was largely attended. Deceased stated that it was the ginger that had poisoned him. He had several spasms just before dying. For several days before his untimely end he was speaking on this intoxicant.

PERSONAL.

Senator John N. Ople spent a part of this week at his home here.
Miss Carrie Crowl has returned home from a visit to Baltimore.
Miss Florence Elder is at home from a visit to Richmond.
Mr. R. N. Page, of Hermitage, was in the city this week on business.
Mr. J. T. Bocek, of Baltersbrook, was in town on business this week.
Rev. M. L. Wood spent a day or two of this week in Charlottesville.
Miss Sallie Kenney is visiting friends in Charlottesville.
Mr. Paul L. Gay, of Craigsville, was in the city on business this week.
Mr. Ellis Mills, of Rapidan, is in the city visiting Mr. A. M. Valz.
Mr. G. E. Crist, of Middlebrook, was in the city Wednesday and was a visitor at this office.
Mr. D. C. Ziglar, of Stover, was in the city on Wednesday, and while here read THE SPECTATOR a pleasant call.
Go to the opera house tonight and enjoy yourself. Si Plunkard will be there.
Messrs. R. A. Todd and A. R. G. Bass, of Mt. Solon, were in the city this week.
Mrs. J. H. Lupton has returned to her home near the city from a visit to the eastern part of the State.
Hon. Silas H. Walker and wife, of Mt. Meridian, were in the city this week.
Miss Mildred Hoge, of Frankfort, Ky., is in Staunton visiting relatives and friends.
Don't forget that Si Plunkard will be at the opera house tonight, the 9th.
Miss Mammie Allen left last Saturday for Marion, Va., to visit Mrs. L. Scherer, of that place.
Mr. J. A. Bell, of Memphis, Tenn., was here last week visiting his parents.
Mr. J. K. McComb, of Greenville, was in Staunton last Saturday and was a pleasant caller at this office.
Mrs. Thomas O'Donnell went to Craigsville this week to visit her sister.
Mr. W. S. Kerr arrived home Wednesday from a business trip to Miller School quite indisposed with rheumatism.
D. B. Taylor, of Clare, was in the city this week on business and on Wednesday paid this office a pleasant call.
Mrs. C. A. Crafoon, who has been quite ill at her home on Winthrop street, was reported as improving late yesterday.
Congressman J. M. Quarles was in Staunton last Saturday and Sunday at his home here, returning to Washington on Monday.
Jacob Hopper, who left Augusta county nearly a half century ago, and located in Indiana, is here on a visit to his native home.
Mrs. Buchanan, wife of B. B. Buchanan, of J. N. Anderson's grocery and daughter of Mrs. C. H. Tyler, is quite ill at her home in this city.
John Minor broke through the ice at the fair grounds lake on last Saturday while skating and received quite a cold bath.
The Lutheran ministers of this country have formed a county association. They met in this city last Monday and perfected their organization. Dr. J. B. Fox, of the Staunton church, was elected president.
Stonewall Jackson Camp Confederate Veterans held quite an interesting meeting last Tuesday night. There was a good attendance and a great deal of business was disposed of.
Mrs. Juliet F. Ast and daughter, Miss Zella Ast, left Wednesday afternoon for Richmond, where they will remain for six weeks or more with relatives and friends.
Miss Emma Pettigrew, of Waynesboro, who was the guest of Mrs. Sallie Pitzer, of Lexington, has returned to her home. She was accompanied by Miss Annie Pitzer, who will be her guest for some time.
Russell Brown was knocked down last Saturday at the corner of Main and New streets by a friend who ran against him in a playful manner. In falling he broke a small bone in his right leg. A physician was called, who treated him and at last accounts the patient was getting along all right.
Departed this life on January 24th, 1900, Mrs. Charles W. Kinne, younger daughter of Rev. Dr. William and Elizabeth Comfort Reddy. During her visits to her aunt, Mrs. Jed Hotchkiss, and her cousin, Mrs. F. F. Sterrett, Mrs. Kinne formed a circle of friends who will mourn her loss, for her fine physique, playful humor, and cultured mind, left a deep impression on all her acquaintances.
Railroad Extension Begun.
Work on the new Coal and Iron Railroad, projected to run from South Elkins, W. Va., where it leaves the West Virginia Central, to the forks of the Greenbrier, where it connects with the Chesapeake and Ohio, has begun. Last week the clearing of the right of way commenced. It is expected to have the road in operation by December, 1900. It will be 43 miles long and will have two tunnels, the contract for which has already been let. Ex-Senator Henry G. Davis is president of the new road, which will be dominated by the West Virginia Central.
Death of Miss Mikelbrough.
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TWO OLD GENTLEMEN.

Augusta County has the Oldest With Indiana a Good Second.
Captain T. C. Morton, of this city, has written the Richmond Dispatch the following interesting article, which will prove of interest to our readers:
You have been passing around "Indiana's old man," Charles Hosmer, who celebrated his ninety-fifth birthday a few weeks ago, and who said he was 2 years younger than the State of Ohio; and that his first vote was for John Quincy Adams, when he ran for President the second time in 1828, and that he was 1 year and 1 day too young to vote for him in 1824.
You can come nearer home and see around Augusta county's old man, Mr. George L. Argenbrite, who lives near Greenville, the father of Staunton's Corporation Court judge, and who, it is said, is the most popular man in Staunton.
He went up the other day to help celebrate his father's ninety-fifth birthday. He was born January 17, 1801, and is 2 years older than the State of Ohio, and cast his first vote for John Quincy Adams when he ran for President the first time in 1828, and voted for President in every election since and lived under every President the United States has had except Washington. He still uses his own teeth to eat de corn-cake, uses his own eyes to read without glasses, writes with his quill pen made by his own hand, and never did, goes to bed at dark and rises at daylight, keeps busy around the house and garden in good weather, goes to see his neighbors and likes to have them come to see him, but does not like railroad trains and never rides on them; thinks they are dangerous. He is the senior of four living generations of Argenbrites, his last-named brother having died recently at the age of 90. His wife died when she was 80 years old.
Indiana's "oldest man" says he became a Republican at the birth of that party, some forty-odd years ago, and has been a Republican ever since.
Augusta's oldest man was born in 1801, has been a Democrat first, last, and all the time, walked to the polls to vote for Bryan, and will do it again when he is 100 years old. Let Indiana trot out another horse!

Where Does the Money Go?

EDITOR SPECTATOR:—There has been a good deal of criticism in certain papers about the manner in which our road money is spent. Some of our road commissioners, it is said, get from \$500 to \$1,000 yearly and never show where the money goes, and make any settlement. We learn that it is the duty of the Supervisors to have all these persons settle yearly, and show what they have done with the money. Whether this has been done we do not know, but we suppose every road officer is ready to settle, and can show how he spent his part. All this talk about \$11,000 being laid for roads and only about \$3,500 getting on the roads and the balance in the pockets of the officers, must be unjust. We know we have pretty good roads for dirt roads, and we know we have a faithful set of officers, but if the money does go to the road overseers and into the pockets of the road commissioners without a report being made, what are our Supervisors doing? They can call for settlements and vouchers and should do it. We can't blame the commissioners and road overseers for not settling, if nobody asks for a settlement. Let the Supervisors take the matter in hand and all this talk will cease. They are the servants of the people, and the people look to them. We don't think much of the talk about overseers and commissioners getting nearly all the money and the roads just what is left is true, but the Supervisors can settle the question.
TAX-PAYER.
West Augusta, Feb. 5.

An Optical Store.

AN INNOVATION.
A store where likely when you are there you will be told not to buy. Our success does not depend on the sales we make but on the satisfaction we give.
Maybe you do not need glasses; that being the case, you'll be told so, and feel relieved. Maybe your case requires the care of an oculist. If so we'll tell you and not a penny do you need to pay us. Perhaps you'll bring your prescription here to be filled, but go where you will even for the glasses.
H. L. LANG,
Optician,
Masonic Temple.

Bridgewater Items.

Harry Hopewell, of Mt. Solon, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives here.
S. A. Richerger went to Staunton last week to work at the cigar-making trade. His home is at 116 Vine street.
The Odd Fellows and the Masons here are increasing their membership—adding new members nearly every meeting.
Paul E. Dinkel has gone to Meadow Creek, W. Va., where he has a position as telegraph operator for the C. & O. railroad.
Mr. and Mrs. James Blackburn, of Staunton, were the guests of Mrs. Samuel Swarts several days during the first of the week.
Mrs. Sarah Turk, of Berlin, was badly hurt Tuesday evening by falling from the roof in the stable. She has been unable to sit up since the accident occurred.
We understand that there have been several lots sold on Broad street, and that other lots have been sold where a new street will be opened in the early spring. A number of houses will be erected here as soon as the weather becomes warmer. The outlook for the future in the building line is encouraging.—The Herald.

Augusta People Buy Covington Property.

Mr. J. B. Long sold on Wednesday of this week to Mr. R. W. Crowder, of Waynesboro, his property on the corner of Main and Court streets. The price paid was something near twenty-five hundred dollars. This property fronts 48 feet on Main street and is considered by many to be the finest business lot in Covington. It has on it a very good brick residence, but as the lot is more valuable for business purposes this building is practically worthless as it would have to be torn down in order to erect a business building, which Mr. Crowder expects to do.
Also Mr. Crowder bought of Mr. R. J. Dickey the Huddleston house near the residence of Mr. C. W. Rush in this city. Price paid \$1,850. This property, we understand, was purchased for Rev. A. K. Cooke, of Waynesboro—Allegany Sentinel.

Bismarck's Iron Nerve.

Was the result of his splendid health. Indomitable will and tremendous energy are not found where stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they bring, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They develop every power of brain and body. Only 25c at B. F. Hughes' drug store.

NEW MUTUAL PHONE in the Western Union Telegraph office, Staunton, Va., is No. 521. County Phones can now be given their messages and then call on their friends to guarantee message and they will be sent immediately. If the Western Union office can't hear you call No. 600, Central office, to repeat message to the Western Union.

CITY MARKETS.

Staunton, Va., Feb. 8, 1900.
Corrected by J. A. Fawcett & Co., and the White Star Mills.
Country Produce.
Flour—patent..... 4.00
New process..... 3.50
Wheat..... 1.25
Corn..... .85
Hogs..... 12.50
Butter..... 1.50
Eggs..... .40
Chickens..... .65
Dressed turkeys..... 1.00
Oats—shelled..... .60
Oats—unshelled..... .50
Wool—washed..... 20
Wool—unwashed..... 15
Bacon—country cured, new..... 10.15
Lard..... .60
Shoulders..... .60
Sides..... .60
Corners..... .60
Cornmeal..... .40
Timothy Hay..... 2.00
Clover Hay..... 1.00
Baltimore Live Stock Market.
Tuesday, February 6.
Beef Cattle—The arrivals during the week 2905. Market slow at last week's prices for steers; bulls and cows are from 10 to 25c lower, market closed dull.
Prices of beef cattle this week ranged as follows: Best exports, 4 1/2c; generally good first quality, 4 1/4c; medium to good, fair quality, 4 1/4c; ordinary thin steers, \$2.75 to \$3.00; cows and oxen, 4 1/4c; bulls, 2 1/2c to 3c; roughs, \$2.25 to \$2.50.
Hogs—8,463 on the market, quoted: Western, \$5.40 to \$5.50 per 100 lbs gross; those from nearer points, \$5.10 to \$5.25; pigs, \$4.20 to \$4.30; roughs, \$4.20 to \$4.50.
Sheep and Lambs—Receipts 1,474; market steady. Quote: Sheep, 13 1/2c; Lambs, 16c.
Calves—Heavy supply and selling slow from 6 1/2c.
Fresh Cows—Fair supply; selling from \$25 to \$40 for common to fair; good from \$40 to \$50.

Housework is hard work without Gold Dust.
Washing Crockets and Milk Vessels.
A great deal depends upon the care of crockets or pans in which milk is kept. They should be washed as soon as possible after being used. Rinse first with cold water, then wash thoroughly inside and out with hot water, in which enough of Gold Dust Washing Powder has been dissolved to make a good suds. Finish by rinsing with scalding water; wipe dry and set out, with right side up, in the fresh air and sunshine, and they will be clean and sweet.
Gold Dust Washing Powder.
THE N. E. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, New York.

"Money Saved is Money Made!"
We can save you 10 per cent. on all MEN'S, BOYS' and CHILDREN'S SUITS and OVERCOATS.
Bought from us now. As the Season is advanced we must make room for our SPRING STOCK which will be coming in soon. It will pay you to buy now and carry the goods over until next season. HATS, CAPS and MEN'S UNDERWEAR of all descriptions, at prices that will convince you that we mean what we say.
GIVE US A CALL.
LOVEGROVE & LEWIS.

Six Old Ladies in a Row, Some Need Glasses That We Know.
That drawn, squinting expression seen on the faces of many older people is often erroneously attributed to age, or "a life of care," or "raising a large family." Such alleged reasons may occasionally be valid ones; but the fact still remains that these unusual facial conditions are often due to defective eyes and the need of right glasses to remove muscular and nervous strain. Save your nervous energy. Let luminous glasses do the work now imposed on overtaxed muscular and nerve force.
FRANK DIEHL, JEWELER AND OPTICIAN.
Cor. Augusta and New Court House Sts., Staunton, Va.

CUT PRICES! CUT PRICES!
Not when the season is over, but now, at the beginning of the season and as long as the goods last. We bought our stock early, and lots of the same goods are much higher now, but you will get the advantage of the low prices as long as the present stock lasts. Again, we have lots of Job Lots; goods that we bought at about half price, perfect goods, but just a few of a kind and it is hardly worth while to quote prices on them unless you come at once as they will be closed in a few days. Below we quote a few articles in each department, just to show you we are not trying to mislead you. We can only quote prices on a few for want of space, but every department is full.

Dry Goods Department.
Notions, Etc.
Shoe Department.
Men's Shoes and Boots.
LADIES' SHOES.
We have often told you about our ties, hats, shoes, shirts and undershirts—you know what value we give in these. Now our collars are sold at just such prices. BARKER'S 4 ply all linen collars have no equal at 2 for 25 cents.

Queensware and Glassware Department.
Carpet Department.
Cape & Cloak Department.
We sell the cheapest Saw Mills, Planes, Lathes and shovels ever offered on this market. McCormick Binders, Mowers and Rakes outwear all others. Over half the mowers on earth bear the name "McCormick," one machine alone having cut 2,700 acres. Brown Wagons and Brown Cultivators lead all others. The best are the cheapest. Save as you can money on Plows and all kinds of Plow Repairs. A full line of repairs for all plows sold in the county and every piece guaranteed.

Boston Variety Store, Zirkle & Bryan, Props.
21 S. Augusta St.
W. H. Brew & Co's Old Stand
CLOSING OUT AT COST!
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We are selling all goods in our store at cost, so as to go into the wholesale business!
The J. C. BISHOP CASH CO.
4 South Augusta St., Staunton, Va.

GEO. A. NEWHAM CARPENTER.
Shop opposite City Fire Department, STAUNTON, VIRGINIA.
All work executed with neatness and dispatch. Job Work a Specialty.
FOUR MUTUAL PHONE 405.
Jan 12-20

Meeting of City Council.

The city council met Tuesday night in regular session with eight of the twelve members present. The minutes were read and approved, as was also a number of accounts against the city.
A committee, composed of Messrs. Kigalen, Glasgow and Tams, was appointed to investigate and report on the advisability of securing a new boiler for the pump house.
Petitions for and against the use of Johnson street by the horse traders who frequently visit Staunton, was read, and after remarks by a number of citizens interested, was referred to the street committee.
City Attorney Gordon reported that bill for new water supply for Staunton had been introduced in the Legislature, but that members of that body favored changes, so as to give city easement over land instead of fee simple right and also to let the people vote on the bond issue. With Mr. Glasgow in the chair, Mr. Spotts offered a resolution approving the changes suggested and in favor of a vote by the people if one tenth of the voters petitioned for same. Mr. Crimmins wanted a vote of the people without any "ifs" and "ands," and offered a resolution to that effect, but it was defeated and the Spotts resolution adopted.
Mr. Spotts also had a resolution adopted favoring an extension of the city limits.
"Nothing was said about the election of a policeman to succeed the late Joseph A. Newman. An interested citizen was heard to remark that he did not believe the city council knew that the city was minus a police officer.
There being no further business the council adjourned.

Middlebrook, Feb. 6.—Mr. Elhart Paxton, who was so seriously ill last fall from sunstroke, has been stricken again with illness of a similar nature at Rapidan. Dr. Barwell, who was visiting his parents here, has been called to the bedside of the sick man in response to a telephone message.
Great relief is expressed here over the passing of Hebron church. It was one of the Old Landmarks, attesting the religious fervor of the earlier settlers. We hope to hear of another and larger edifice, gracing the site in the near future.
Mr. Adam Steele is much improved. He is now able to sit up in the house.
Mrs. Ella Boserman has been quite ill for a week past.
Wm. D. H. Cale and James Smiley, near here, were in Middlebrook last Saturday.
R. A. Helms has added an addition to his residence that gives it a better appearance.
There is considerable complaint among our people over the thieving and vandalism going on here. The way to get rid of these objectionable persons is for the owners of property to refuse to rent to them, and thus force them to leave town. They are known and it looks like they might be gotten rid of this way, if they were not so greedy. It is not at all agreeable to a working man to raise fowls to feed those who will not work, and who put in their time loafing around the stores, in the way of the merchants, and of customers who may come in to buy.
The great rise in the price of manufactured products, has fallen heavily on that class of mechanics, who cut the price of their work down last year. The only remedy we see, is to put it back as the laborer is worthy of his hire.

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful illness. He tells of it in this way: "I was taken with Typhoid fever, that ran into Pneumonia, and became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in praise. This marvelous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung troubles. Regular size \$1. Trial bottles free at B. F. Hughes' Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed.

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Public Institutions Inspected.

The Committee on Schools, Colleges, Asylums and Prisons of the State Legislature spent Tuesday and Wednesday in this city inspecting the Western State Hospital and the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind. Dr. Ben Blackford, of the Hospital, and Prof. W. A. Bowles, of the deaf and blind school, entertained the committee and extended them every courtesy. After a thorough inspection the members of the committee expressed themselves as highly pleased at the manner in which the two institutions are managed. The following gentlemen composed the party: Major E. H. Barclay, of Rockbridge, Dr. A. B. Fitzpatrick, of Nelson, J. M. Whitehead, of Lee, J. W. Gregory, of Pittsylvania, J. W. Fleet, of King and Queen, Major John T. Cowan, of Montgomery, Dr. R. W. McConnell, of Scott, of the House of Delegates, and Thomas L. Tate, of Pulaski, of the Senate; E. G. Aker, of the Railroad Commissioner's office, Richmond, and Pages Milton Morgan and Geo. C. Jordan.

No Right to Uginess.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will not be desirable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will cure on earth. Drives out pains and aches. Only 25c a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by B. F. Hughes, Druggist.

Death of Mrs. Caperton.

Mrs. Mary H. Caperton died last Sunday in this city at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. W. M. Watwick, after an extended illness. The funeral took place Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock, Dr. A. M. Fraser officiating. The remains were taken to the C. & O. depot Tuesday morning and sent to Union, Monroe county, W. Va., for interment, accompanied by the members of the family and a few friends. Deceased was born in Lynchburg 64 years ago. She was the widow of Dr. Geo. H. Caperton and for a number of years resided at Fire Creek, W. Va. Mrs. Caperton was highly esteemed and a woman of many lovable traits. She is survived by four children, viz: Mrs. M. W. Watwick of this city; G. H. and W. G. Caperton, of Fire Creek; and Mrs. J. R. Wailes, of Nelson county. Besides these the leaves several brothers and sisters and a host of friends.

Board of Trade Meeting.

A largely attended meeting of the Staunton Board of Trade was held Monday night in the city hall. The object of the meeting was to start a movement looking to the upbuilding of the city by securing industries and encouraging those we already have. Timely addresses were delivered on various subjects and much enthusiasm displayed. A resolution was adopted favoring the proposed new water system, the extension of the corporation limits and strongly in favor of holding a street fair and trades' carnival. Several important committees were appointed to look after these matters.

Postage Stamps in Books.

Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden has introduced an innovation in the postoffice department which promises to be the most popular thing of his administration. It is the issuance of stamps in book form at so small an advance in cost that the public will gladly pay the difference in exchange for the great convenience it affords. The books will be ready in the next month or so.

ROYAL Baking Powder

Made from pure cream of tartar. Safeguards the food against alum. Alum baking powders are the greatest menace to health of the present day.

WOOD'S HIGH GRADE Farm Seeds.

Our business in Farm Seeds is today one of the largest in this Country. A result due to the fact that quality has always been our first consideration. We supply all Seeds required for the Farm. GRASS & CLOVER SEEDS, Cow Peas, Cotton Seed, Seed Oats, Seed Corn, Soja, Navy & Velvet Beans, Sorghums, Broom Corn, Kaffir Corn, Peanuts, Millet Seed, Rape, etc.

Men's Wear!
We have often told you about our ties, hats, shoes, shirts and undershirts—you know what value we give in these. Now our collars are sold at just such prices. BARKER'S 4 ply all linen collars have no equal at 2 for 25 cents.

The United States for War.
KENNEDY & CRAWFORD
FOR—
Machinery and Farming Implements.
Huber Engines & Threshers.
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