THE DAILY DISPATCH.

☞ TO ADVERTISERS.—The circulation of the DISPATCH is THREE TIMES as large as that of any other Daily paper in the city of Richmond. It is therefore greatly superior to any other as a medium of advertising.

RICHMOND, VA.:
Wednesday Morning, Sept. 22, 1852.

☞ Persons abroad from the city can have the Dispatch sent to them for any period of time they may desire, by leaving their orders and paying the cash for the time specified.

THE CONFLAGRATION OF MOSCOW.

We begin, to-day, the translation of a *brochure*, which was published at Paris in 1823, relative to the true author of the conflagration of Moscow. It will be seen that the Count de Rostopchin, the Governor of Moscow, who has always been charged with it, and has been made a hero of on account of it, denies that he had any participation whatever in. The world has been strangely deceived heretofore if such be the fact. One thing, however, he confesses which would seem to fix the deed upon him, and that is, that he carried off all the engines belonging to the city, amounting to four or five hundred. Why he should have done this, unless he had known that a fire was to take place, we cannot conceive. In spite of this pamphlet, Gen. Gourgaud, who was an aid of the Emperor Napoleon, maintained that Rostopchin was the man who set fire to Moscow. How hard it is to arrive at the truths of history!

From this pamphlet, and from Gourgaud's reply to Segur, we learn what we had not before conceived—that is, that the people of Moscow, so far from being stimulated by patriotism to destroy their city, were bitterly incensed against Rostopchin for having, as they at least supposed, been guilty of the act. Gourgaud says that he never afterwards dared to show his face in Moscow, and the fact of his going all the way to Paris to make a defence of himself, seems to prove that he could not have been in very good odor at home. However, here is what he says upon the subject. He called his book "the truth with regard to the burning of Moscow."

"Ten years have elapsed since Moscow was burned, and I have been continually transmitted to history and to posterity as the author of a transaction, which, according to the received opinion of the world, was the chief cause of the destruction of Napoleon's army, of his downfall, of the salvation of Russia, and the deliverance of Europe. Certainly I might have cause to feel proud of such high achievements; but never having usurped the rights of any person, heretofore, and being tired of hearing the same tale everlastingly repeated, I intend to make a statement of the simple truth, which ought to be the only thing that history should have in view.

"When the conflagration destroyed, in three days, three fourths of the houses of Moscow, Napoleon immediately felt all the importance of the event, and foresaw the effect which it would produce upon the Russian nation, which would be sure to attribute to his presence, and the presence of 130,000 soldiers along with him, that terrible disaster. He thought he had discovered a sure method of diverting from himself all the odium of that act, not only so far as the Russians were concerned, but in the eyes of all Europe, by throwing it upon the chief of the Russian Government, in the department of Moscow. Accordingly, through his bulletins, he began immediately to charge me with being the incendiary. The newspapers and pamphlets of the day seemed to delight in repeating the accusation; and they furnish the authority to all those who have written since, upon the campaign of 1812, to represent, as undoubtedly true, a fact utterly without foundation.

"I will recapitulate the principal evidence upon which has been founded the opinion that the conflagration of Moscow was my work.—I will reply to them by a statement of *facts*, well understood by all the Russians. It can hardly be possible that I shall not be believed, since I voluntarily renounce all credit for a deed, considered to be the most glorious of that remarkable epoch, and since, with my own hands, I destroy the edifice of my own celebrity.

"Napoleon, in his bulletins 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, asserts, positively, that the conflagration of Moscow was conceived and prepared by the Rostopchin government.

"To conceive and execute a design so horrible as that of burning the Capital of the Empire, some motive, far more powerful than the certainty of the evil it would inflict upon the enemy, must have existed. Although three fourths of the city were destroyed by fire, still houses enough were left to lodge Napoleon's whole army. It was hardly probable that the conflagration would spread to all the quarters; and if there had not been any high winds at the time, the fire would have stopped of itself for want of food, and on account of the gardens, *places* and boulevards. Thus, the only real evil that the enemy could be made to feel, would have arisen from the destruction of provisions stored in the houses devoured by the flames, and this would have been the only result of an act as silly as it was wicked."

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

THE DANVILLE RAILROAD.

As a proof that we have never overestimated the importance of this road, we will make a simple statement. It will carry conviction along with it.

In March the receipts were a little above $6000. In April, they had risen above $7000. In June, they were upwards of $9000, and during the month of August, they were more than $12,000! When it is recollected that it has only gone sixty-five miles, some idea may be formed of what it will be when it gets into the rich portions of Halifax, Charlotte and Pittsylvania, and obtains command of the tier of tobacco counties lying along the frontiers of North Carolina and Virginia.

We think the public here will justify us for pushing this road through. At first they were disposed to laugh at us.

FLETCHER'S STUDIES ON SLAVERY.

We received a copy of this work from J. W. Randolph, several days ago, but as yet have had no time to study it with the attention it deserves. It is admitted, however, to be a very powerful work—the most powerful, probably, that has been written on the Southern side of the question.

MR. COCHRAN AND THE QUARTZ CRUSHER.

We learn from Fluvanna, that Mr. Cochran has established his quartz crusher, and that it succeeds to admiration. It has created a great excitement in "Old Flue," and the people have been crowding to see it. It is said to grind up quartz into a perfectly impalpable powder, rendering it the easiest thing imaginable to separate the gold. The machinery is so cheap that it will render quartz mining as simple as the common process of separating alluvial gold. We have not the slightest doubt that there is as much gold in what is called the gold region of Virginia, as there is any where. The only difference between it and California, or Australia, is, that the gold of the one is alluvial, while that of the other is in the quartz. We hope to learn that this machine of Mr. Cochran's has reduced the difficulties of the two nearly to the same level.

We learn that our article made the Dispatch very popular in "Old Flue," and that they intend to send us down a barrel of "Possum Toddy" in return. As we intend to join the Sons of Temperance, nothing could be more acceptable; so send it on as soon as you please, and we will be ready to receive it.

A Strange Present for a Bachelor.

Our old friend, Mr. John Thompson, we should have thought knew us as well as any other man in the city. He knew, at least, that within the last twenty-five years, during which he has been as well acquainted with us as he has been with his day book and ledger, he never saw us indulge in any thing that approached to foppery. In that respect we resemble a number of great men, and we like to resemble great men, even though the resemblance may not consist in a similarity of qualities. The Duke of Wellington always was said to be the worst dressed man in Europe.—It was for that reason that the Parisians, who do not, at best, pronounce the W as well as we Anglo-Saxons, called him "*Villainton.*" Our readers will remember the lines of Lord Byron,

"Oh! Wellington or Velainton, for fame
Sounds the heroic syllable both ways;
France could not even conquer your great name,
But punned it down to this facetious phrase."

Well, we claim to be as badly dressed, in the general, as Wellington, though we have gained no Waterloo. Then come we to Mr. Thompson's present. It is a smoking cap, of the most lovely description. He had it made especially for us. It has a gold tassel in front, and looks as if it would be a beautiful ornament for the noddle of a very pretty girl. We have laid it up in lavender, and we intend to preserve it as a curiosity, and for the sake of its beauty.—But Mr. Thompson must have very strange notions of the way in which we do our smoking! We do not smoke cigars; we go in for a pipe. We send to Bob Zimmerman, and get one of the best of his Powhatan pipes, and he always has a large supply on hand. We then send to our old friend, Mr. James P. Tyler, and get a full supply of the McCorkle tobacco. Our next operation is to take off our coat, and go ahead. We generally raise a considerable fog before we are done. But as to a smoking cap! Lord bless, us we never thought of such a thing!

However, we return our thanks to Mr. Thompson, and assure him that we mean to keep his present as a memorial. By the bye, we advise all our young friends who have a taste for such things to call and examine these caps. They are beautiful, decidedly; not more so, however, than many other things which Mr. T. has just brought from the North. Our friends ought, by all means, to call and see them.

Another Splendid Present! The Bachelor in Luck!

We yesterday received from our old friend, Lewis Ginter, who has just returned from Paris, a pair of razors, made in Birmingham, for our own especial use! They were manufactured by one of the most celebrated cutlers in Birmingham. There are a plenty more of them at the same shop, as any man can find by calling on Ginter. By the bye, he will see not only splendid razors but a great many other splendid things which will make his very mouth water. Ginter is a man of decided taste, as every body knows who has seen his arrangements.—He knows how to fix off a store, and what to put in it. Call on Ginter if you want to suit yourself in almost any line.

The Wrong Passenger Waked Up.

Our readers will see in the account of the news brought by the Crescent City, that an attempt was made at Havana to offer an indignity to the Commander, Lieut. Porter of the Navy. We have heard much of this gentleman from persons connected with the Navy.—He is the son of Commodore Porter—the same who fought the Phœbe and Cherub in the harbor of Valparaiso, with the little Essex. The son is said to inherit a double portion of the father's spirit. He is known in the Navy as one of the most gallant spirits that was ever in it—as a man who would rival Decatur, or Nelson, if he only had the opportunity. We have heard many anecdotes of his determined resolution since he has been in command of this vessel. One of them was peculiarly characteristic, but whether entirely correct or not, we do not pretend to say. It is to the effect, that on a certain occasion, his engineer, they being at sea and a thousand miles from land, rebelled, and taking advantage of the peculiar position of affairs, refused to obey orders. Porter did not hesitate an instant. He clapped him at once in irons, calling upon one of the firemen, asked him if he could work the engine. He replied that he could. Then said he, sir, I order you to put on so much steam (naming the quantity.) and to carry this ship into the harbor of New York. The thing was done accordingly.

Are we not right in saying that when the government of Cuba took hold of Captain, (or Lieutenant Porter,) they waked up the wrong passenger?

☞ Bvt. Col. E. Robt. Lee has been appointed by the Secretary of War, Superintendent of the Military Academy at West Point, to relieve Capt. Henry Brewerton, who has occupied that responsible station for several years. Col. Lee is a brother of C. C. Lee, of this city, and won unfading laurels at the head of a corps of engineers whose efficient services throughout the Mexican war have given it a reputation for gallantry and skill which time can never destroy.

GEN. SCOTT AND FAMILY.—Gen. Scott is now en route West, for the purpose of selecting a site for a Western Military Hospital, three of which were ordered to be established in different parts of the Union, by the last Congress. The Blue Lick Springs, in Kentukcy, (not Arkansas, as has been erroneously stated) is the first location to be viewed. The following, in reference to Gen. S.'s family, is from the West Point correspondence of the New York Times, of the date of the 14th inst:

General Scott's family are still here, and at Rider's Hotel. They consist of Mrs. General Scott and two daughters, Miss Ella Scott and Mrs. Col. Scott, who is married to a gallant officer bearing the family patronymic, but not related. He is a son of a late eminent physician, Dr. Andrew Scott, of Newbern, N. C.—A third daughter of Gen. Scott's is married to Mr. Hoyt, of New York, and resides in the city. He has no sons. Another daughter, Miss Va. Scott, died a few years since in a Catholic Convent in Maryland. Mrs. Col. Scott, a noble looking lady, also belongs to the Catholic Church.

TELEGRAPH BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND AMERICA.—Among the most stupendous projects of the present age of enterprise, is the construction of an Electric Telegraph between Great Britain and America. It is proposed to be carried to the Northern extremity of the Orkney Islands, thence to Iceland, from Iceland to Greenland, and from Greenland to the Eastern Coast of North America—thus making two intermediate stations for the transmission of intelligence. The gutta percha covered wire, by which the electric communication is to be conveyed, will be manufactured on a new principle, for which a patent has been taken out.

LATER FROM RIO.—By the arrival of the bark Maryland at New York, from Rio Janeiro, we have advices to the 7th of August. The Journal do Commercio states that the Chamber of Deputies has under discussion the admission of the new Liverpool and Rio Steamship Company to the same privileges as the Southampton line. Some consternation was recently produced at the theatre of San Isabel, at Pernambuco, during one of Herr Alexander's magical exhibitions. A large and costly chandelier fell into the midst of the audience, breaking a few heads, and expelling the multitude suddenly. No fatal damage, however, was done.

A lawyer built him an office in the form of a hexagon, or six square. The novelty of the structure attracted the attention of some Irishmen who were passing by; they made a full stop, and viewed the building very critically.—The lawyer somewhat disgusted at their curiosity, lifted up the window, put his head out, and addressed them: "What do you stand there for like a pack of blockheads, gazing at my office—do you take it for a church?"—"Faix," answered one of them, "I was thinking so, till I saw the devil poke his head out of the windy."

☞ DR. WHARTON, having returned to the city, may be found at his office on Grace street, opposite the Methodist Centenary Church. se 22—eod3t

☞ THE STOCK OF BOOKS NOW being received at WEST & BRO'S, is the largest and best selected ever offered to the Richmond public. Every variety of Architectural, Agricultural, Medical, Scientific, Law, and School Books, cheap publications, Blank Books, Paper and Stationery can be had of them at the lowest rates Teachers and country merchants will find better bargains than ever, at the **Exchange Bookstore.** se 16

☞ NOT TO BE SURPASSED.—The assortment of **Newspapers, Magazines, Cheap Publications, Song Books, Toy Books, Prints, Frames, Stationery,** &c, **always** on hand at the **Cheap Publication Depot,** opposite the American Hotel—is not to be surpassed by any in the city. Call and see for yourselves. L. L. SMITH.
Agent for all the Northern Daily and Weekly Newspapers.
se 20—6t

☞ THE EXPRESS arrives and leaves daily, by Mail Trains, *always in charge of trusty Agents.* This mode of receiving or forwarding goods of whatever description, combines economy, and what is of greater importance, **Speed.** Our wagon will call for goods to go away, and deliver everything without extra charge.
ADAMS & CO'S
Office No. 5, Fourteenth Street,
se 10 Near the Post Office.

☞ W. A. POWELL, ARCHITECT AND CIVIL ENGINEER, office 2 doors from Main, on 12th street, opposite the James River and Kanawha Company's Office, Richmond, Va.
N. B.—All professional business promptly attended to. au 21—1m

☞ JOB PRINTING!—Merchants and others desiring Circulars, Cards, &c., will find it to their interest to call at C H WYNN'S Office, two doors below Exchange Bank. He has added another Power Press to his establishment, thereby ensuring increased facilities. Satisfaction, as to **Work and Prices,** guaranteed. Remember, **Ground Floor,** two doors below Exchange Bank. au 24—1m

☞ HAWES R. SUTTON, NOTARY PUBLIC—Particular attention paid to writing DEEDS and other legal instruments. Office in the Law Building, Richmond, Va my 6

☞ DR. RODDEY having returned to Richmond, may be found at his residence, on corner of Broad and 11th streets, opposite City Hall. se 17—1w

ATTENTION, EAGLE INFANTRY.—Attend a meeting and drill of your Company at Lafayette Hall, on **Thursday next,** 23d inst, at 7½ o'clock P M.
By order of the Lieutenant Commanding.
se 22 JOHN C. POWELL, JR, O.S.

$20 REWARD.—Ran away, from the Medical Infirmary of this city, on the night of the 20th September, a **Negro Man** named ROBERT. He is about 5 feet 11 inches high, quite black, and is supposed to be about thirty years of age. There is no visible mark recollected. He has had the small pox, which shew very plain on his face.
He was under treatment at the College for "Syphilis," which can be discovered on first sight, particularly on his hands.
It is thought he will endeavor to procure free papers, and will embark at once for some distant port. I hereby forwarn all persons, captains of steamers and other vessels, railroad cars, &c., from passing him under any pretense whatever. I will pay the above reward, $20, to any person who will deliver him to me in Richmond, or $15 if confined in any jail so that I get him again.
se 22—6t* GEO W. HUNDLEY.

PAPER HANGING, UPHOLSTERY GOODS, &c.
F. REGNAULT, 180 MAIN STREET, is now receiving his fall supply of PAPER HANGINGS, consisting of French and American, Fresco, Gilt and plain Papers, Velvet, Gilt and plain Borders, embracing the choicest selection *ever offered in this city.*
Also, **Carpets, Rugs, Floor Oil Cloths, Mats, Satin and Worsted D'Lanes, Lace Curtains and Ornaments,** in fact, everything in the Upholstery line.
Rooms, halls and entries Papered at the shortest notice and in a style which *cannot be equalled.*
CURLED HAIR and SHUCK MATTRESSES and BEDS made to order, and always on hand.
F. R. respectfully solicits a call from his friends and the public generally, and will guarantee to give satisfaction to all those who will thus favor him.
se 22—6t

☞ FOR SALE, BY JAMES HARDEN.—A Sound **Horse,** eight years old, works well in harness, and rides well; terms Cash.
22—2t*

☞ HORSE AND BUGGY FOR SALE.—A very fine young Horse four years old, sound and gentle, and a splendid Buggy, is now for sale at the American Stable; I will sell in them a bargain. Apply to JOSEPH HIX,
se 22—3t* American Stables.

HEAVY TWILLED GRAIN BAGS, received and for sale by
se 22 JOHN H. CLAIBORNE.

LOCAL MATTERS.

CITY COUNCIL.

There was a called meeting of this body held at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Present—President Myers, and Messrs. Mills, Robinson, Denoon, Fry, Haskins, Hill, Saunders, Dimmock, Carrington Anderson, Allen and McCance.

Negroes.—Mr. Robinson, from the committee of Police, reported an ordinance concerning negroes, which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

This ordinance prohibits negroes from entering the public squares—from smoking in public—from carrying canes—from taking the inside of the walk of whites—from standing in groups of more than five in the streets—from riding in hacks, with certain exceptions. Slaves are also to be provided each day, by their owners or employers, with a sufficiency of food and with lodging. [This section has reference to the present system of furnishing slaves with board money] We shall publish this ordinance in full to-morrow.

Obstruction.—The Committee of Police were also discharged from the further consideration of the petition of D. Ward & Co., respecting the stoppage of drays on Cary street—considering that the present ordinance of the city with respect to street obstructions covered the whole ground.

Hustings Court.—An order of the Hustings Court asking that the Council make provision for properly accommodating the court and bar meeting in the Hustings Court room—was received and referred to the Committee on the City Hall.

Public Square.—A communication from Mr. Webb was received, asking that the council return him four feet of land sold by him for a public square, he (Mr W.) having sold that quantity of land without designing it, to the detriment of his other property. Referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Ball.—A petition from the German Benevolent Society asking the use of Lafayette Hall for a ball to be held on the 18th October for benevolent purposes, was received and referred, with power to grant, to the Committee of the Lafayette Hall.

Richmond and Danville Railroad.—By general consent the following report was taken up and considered. (We are compelled for want of room, to defer the publication of this report until to-morrow.) The report was approved by a majority vote.

Mr. Anderson then offered the following preamble and resolution:

The Council being satisfied that the petitions of Coroin Warwick and others are the petitions of one-fourth of the freeholders of the city, doth on the said petitions,

Resolve, That a poll be, and the same is hereby directed to take the sense of the freeholders of the city on the question whether the Council, in behalf of the city, may subscribe to the stock of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company—a company incorporated for a work of internal improvement in this State (part of which is to be constructed in or near the city)—an amount not exceeding $50,0000; that the time of the poll be Tuesday, the 2d day of November next, and that this resolution be published for one month, and afterwards until the day of the poll, in at least two papers of the city.

Mr. Mills moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the figures, or amount, "$50,000," the following words: "payable as additional subscriptions are made and paid by others than the city and State, and then only in the proportion of one third of whatever such additional subscriptions will amount to."

Mr. Dimmock offered an amendment to the amendment, providing for the opening of polls whereby the people could vote either for the subscription with conditions or unconditionally, or against the subscription altogether. This of course would open three respective polls.

After discussion, the substitute of Mr. Dimmock was withdrawn. The question was then taken on the adoption of Mr. Mills' amendment, and by ayes 5, noes 8, it was decided in the negative. So the amendment was rejected.

The question then recurred on the adoption of the original resolution, (Mr. Anderson's.) It was adopted by ayes 9, noes 4, so the poll will be opened.

James River Improvement—The report of the committee on this subject was read and received.—[This report will be published hereafter]

A committee of three was appointed to represent the city of Richmond before the department of Washington, to confer with the department in regard to the appropriation made, of $45,000, and to attend to the application of the money in the mode best suited to advance the interests of Richmond. The committee was constituted of Messrs. Haskins, McCance and Anderson. The report was then laid on the table for further consideration. Other business was transacted, and the Council adjourned.

A SECOND JORDAN HATCHER.—For some time past a negro named William Spurlock, belonging to Thomas Clopton, and hired by Mr. H. W. Quarles, on 14th street, a shoemaker, has been in the habit of getting drunk on Monday and leaving his work unfinished. Monday last was devoted by the negro to drunken revelry. Yesterday morning when Spurlock came to the shop, the foreman, Mr. James Walker, determined that Spurlock should have a flogging for his gross neglect, and ordered him to go round to Mr. Quarle's office with him and receive his just punishment. This order the negro refused to obey. Mr. Walker then sent for Mr. Quarles who soon after came to the shop. The negro then seized a poker and planting himself in a corner, refused to come out, threatening to use the poker on Mr. Walker and Mr. Quarles if they did not leave him alone. The two gentlemen immediately closed with the negro, and another negro by their orders, wrested the poker out of Spurlock's hands. Spurlock then seized a sharp pointed shoe-knife and had the point close to Mr. Walker's left breast, near the heart, and was about stabbing him with it when Mr. Quarles knocked his hand down. The negro then caught Mr. Walker by the knee and succeeded in inflicting a deep cut just below his right knee in the calf of the leg. After a fierce struggle the knife was taken from out of Spurlock's hand completely bent double, so that it broke off near the handle. Spurlock was then taken to the cage. Justice Evans committed Spurlock to jail to await trial at the next term of the Hustings Court, to be held in October next, on the charge of unlawful stabbing with intent to kill. Mr Quarles substantiated the statement of his foreman, Mr Walker, in every particular.

KUNKEL'S NIGHTINGALE OPERA TROUPE.—The Musical "Nightingales" will this evening wing their way to the stage of Odd Fellows Hall, and there warble forth sweet enchanting harmonies. Since their departure from us they have added many new and choice songs to their brilliant list, and this evening those who favor the Troupe with a visit may expect to hear some very choice vocal and instrumental music. Master Adams is a newly added vocal jewel to the fame crown of this company, and will appear in several prominent characters.—And then there is funny "Brudder Bones," our worthy friend Harry and his brother; who does not want to see their jovial shining faces once again?

OUT OF TRACK.—Joseph Hawkins, slave to J P Word, was arrested out of track on Monday evening, and on yesterday, it being his first appearance, was discharged with an admonition.

FINED.—Oliver H. Rand was fined $1 and costs for the misdemeanor of one of his servants in obstructing the sidewalk in front of Mr. O.'s house on Friday night, with a stove. Reported by Lieut. Truehart.

THE CAPITOL SQUARE.—The pleasing effect of the recent improvements to the grounds on the Western side of the Capitol Square is now more visible than ever. The walks have just been raised and given a handsome grade, the side gutters have received a finish, a green grass covers the plats, and and the parterres are out in bloom—the whole exhibiting the full design of the improvement, and reflecting credit upon the taste of those who planned and executed the work.

These improvements are to be extended by cutting away a large portion of the mound or embankment between the Capitol and Bank street, so as to make that portion of the Square harmonize with the portion already improved, and to afford a view of the Capitol from all parts of Bank street. This will be another admirable improvement.

Our Public Square, always without a rival for attractiveness, will in a short time be one of the most beautiful spots of the kind in the country. When all the contemplated improvements shall have been made, and the young trees, shrubbery and flowers become more matured, the Square, in the language of the ladies, will be "lovely." The greater portion of the young trees bordering the outside walks, are flourishing, and will soon gain sufficient size to afford a good shade; and then we shall have a most delightful place for a promenade in warm seasons, outside as well as inside of the Square. We are pleased to learn that it is designed to replant trees as soon as the proper season shall arrive, where those set out last fall have died.

ASSAULT.—A man named Philip Roberts, charged with assaulting a woman named Frances Ann Dungan on Friday last, was examined before Justice Evans yesterday, and there being extenuating circumstances in the case, was bound over in the sum of $100 to keep the peace.

DRUNK.—Owen Brannon was found lying in a state of intoxication near the Fredericksburg Depot, on Monday, and conveyed to the cage. It being his second appearance at the court, on yesterday Justice Evans committed him to jail for twenty days in default of bail.

WITHOUT REGISTERS.—Litty Gladman, an emancipated slave, was arrested late Monday evening without a pass or register. Case continued until to-day for further examination.

Litty represented that she was in the service of Dr. Emple, but enquiry proved her statement false.

Rebecca James, a free negro, was also arrested at the same time and place, in default of papers.—Yesterday she was committed to jail for want of register.

STEALING SHEETING.—A free negro named John Hudson entered the store of Valentine Cohen, situated on Broad, near 5th street, about noon on Monday, and stole a piece of unbleached sheeting containing about forty yards and worth $3. He was pursued and caught near the market; and on yesterday received 25 lashes.

A NEW BRIDGE.—The passage of 10th street, on the South side of the Basin, which has long been obstructed by the cutting of the Canal for the new locks, has been restored by the erection of a strong new bridge the entire width of the street.

That section of the city will rapidly improve and increase in business after the completion of the locks and the repair of the streets on the South side of the Basin. Already four substantial brick houses have gone up and are now in course of completion, on Canal street, between 9th and 10th streets. Property on the South side of the Canal and Basin, we predict, will, ere many years, be the most valuable in the city.

CORRECTION.—The name of the person in connection with a "shooting case" alluded to yesterday in our police reports, was not "Bargamin," as erroneously printed, but "Frederick Borgman." We make this correction in justice to the highly respectable family of the name of Bargamin, in this city, none of whom have ever been known to have any business in a Major's court.

NEW FOWLING PIECE.—Passing by Mr. Henry Hyman's store, on Main street Monday, we stopped for a few moments to examine an improved double-barreled gun just imported from England. The peculiarity of this gun consists in the locks, which are percussion, and made to strike the cap horizontally instead of diagonally. The lock is also made lower, and its peculiar shape and position guards fully against those accidents which often occur with ordinary fowling pieces, by catching the lock against a twig or bush. It is a perfect safety lock, and so covers the cap as to prevent its bursting and flying off in small fragments. We tried one of the new water-proof percussion caps on one of the locks, and found that it separated the sides into four parts, but did not rend it apart. Although not much of a judge of sporting implements, we should think this gun peculiarly recommended itself to the shooting gentry for safety and service.

NEW STORE.—We are always pleased to see improvements in our city and its commercial affairs, and design to keep our readers as well posted on the subject as our time and space will allow. In this spirit, we must notice the new and handsome store of Messrs. Courtney & Hill, on the corner of Broad and 6th streets, Shockoe Hill. The carpenter, the painter, and glazier first expended their genius in making the store room attractive, and this was followed up by the proprietors decorating it with a large and beautiful assortment of new goods. It exhibits now, to dealers, the most inviting air in every respect.

SIGNS OF BUSINESS.—For business and bustle, we are aware that our city is still far behind the great city of New York; but, yesterday, about 3 o'clock, we witnessed, on Cary street, one of those street chokings which so frequently occur in that city. So numerous were the wagons and other vehicles employed in the transportation of goods and articles of various kinds, that the space between the Columbian Hotel and 14th street became, for a time, completely blocked up. This is an evidence of the great amount of commercial business transacting at present in our city.

THE CANAL AND DOCK CONNECTION.—The stone work of this costly and important work is rapidly approaching completion. The high walls are up, with their cappings on, nearly the entire distance between the entrance from the Basin, in the rear of Messrs. Ludlam & Watson's Ware-house, and the termination at the lower bridge leading to Messrs. Haxall's Mills. And more substantial or more beautiful stone work we have never seen. Nothing short of an earthquake can ever derange so permanent a structure. The walls are very wide, built of heavy blocks of granite, and cemented in the best manner. There are two basins for boats, also with heavy granite walls around them, one immediately below 10th street and the other immediately above 12th street—and there will necessarily be several gates to overcome the difficulties of the great fall. Workmen are now engaged in removing the earth, to form a large basin at the head of the locks.

It is a matter of regret that the Dock improvement is so far behind this work on the road to completion. The Canal and Dock connection cannot be used until the Dock and River connection be completed.

"DON'T BE ANGRY, MOTHER."—We are indebted to Master Adams, of the Nightingale Troupe, for a copy of a song with the above title, written, set to music, and sung by himself.

BAILED.—Frederick Borgman, committed to jail for misdemeanor on Monday last, was, on yesterday, bailed out in the sum of $100.

MARRIED,

In this city, on the 15th day of September, by Rev Geo. W. Woodbridge, Mr ROBERT A. SAUNDERS, of Henderson, Kentucky, to Miss LUCY WARD RANDOLPH, of Richmond, Va.

DIED,

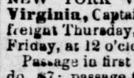
On Tuesday morning, the 21st inst, at 1 o'clock, ANNA CORA, infant daughter of Boswell B. and Pocahontas Butt, aged 7 months and 9 days.
☞ Norfolk papers requested to copy.

☞ Cure for Dyspepsia.—The public will bear in mind that BAKER'S CELEBRATED PREMIUM BITTERS are the most unfailing remedy for the cure of Dyspepsia that has ever been offered to an American public. As an evidence of this fact, the proprietor has now in his possession a number of certificates from some of our own citizens, who have found speedy relief from this annoying disease, after various other remedies have proved unsuccessful. As a cure for Cholera Morbus, Bilious Affections, Diarrhœa, Summer Complaints of children, Sour Stomach, Loss of Appetite, Indigestion, and other diseases arising from impure blood, debility and disorders of the digestive organs, these Bitters have no equal. The proprietor, living in the immediate vicinity of Richmond, where he is well known to all, would not have the presumption to recommend his Bitters as a reliever of the above diseases, had he not thoroughly tested their remarkable curative powers; but being satisfied that they are just the medicine needed at all times and by both sexes, he feels that he would be doing a public injustice, did he not take the necessary steps to enable all to profit by the use of them. Price 50 cents per bottle. For sale by
PURCELL, LADD & CO., A. BODEKER, ADIE & GRAY, BENNETT & BEERS, and GAYNOR & WOOD, Main street; H. BLAIR, WM. P. LADD and SEABROOK & REEVE, Shockoe Hill, CHAS. MILLSPAUGH, and THOMAS & McCARTHY.
se 22

THE METROPOLITAN STORE, NO 151, MAIN STREET, BELOW 12TH.—The subscribers respectfully announce to the citizens of Richmond and vicinity, that on Thursday, Oct. 1st, they will open a large and well selected stock of rich and seasonable Dry Goods. Our assortment has been purchased with special reference to the wants of this community, and comprises an extensive variety of elegant goods; such as the best quality of Black and Figured Silks, Brocades, Satins, Velvets, Embroideries and rich Dress Trimmings, together with every style of goods required by house keepers, and a much larger assortment than is usually to be found.
Our method of conducting business will be the straight-forward, honorable system of offering all our goods at the *lowest possible price,* thereby giving to all an equal advantage, and saving both to the buyer and seller, the disagreeable necessity of spending much time and many words, before an article can be obtained at a fair rate. Being connected with importers in New York, we save a profit, paid by others to the wholesale dealers, of which we are determined to give our customers the benefit. We shall make no promises which we cannot fulfil, and every article will be found of the QUALITY, STYLE and PRICE advertised. We have styled our establishment the **Metropolitan Store,** because we intend to offer our customers the *best* and *most desirable Goods,* and to deal with them in such a manner, and to offer them such bargains, as they can obtain only at the great metropolis, New York; and after a fair trial, we are willing to abide by their decision, whether or not we deserve the name.
We therefore invite all who wish to obtain *desirable goods* at *very low prices,* to give us an early call at the Metropolitan Store.
se 22—6t WILLCOX & BETTS.

WANTED—By an English Family, in the suburbs of the city, a steady, industrious IRISH or GERMAN GIRL, or a SETTLED LADY without incumbrance, who is a good plain **Cook, Washer, and Ironer,** to do the work in a small family in a healthy, retired situation. The water and other conveniences are all on the premises. Such a person, willing to make herself generally useful, can find a permanent situation at moderate wages, by applying to O. A. STRECKER'S Apothecary Store immediately. se 22—1t*

SITUATION WANTED.—A Young Man would like to get business as Overseer in some Tobacco Factory, Ware House, or some Public Works. I can come well recommended and give good reference and security if required. Address "A B," City point Post Office. se 22—10t*



UNION STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S LINE OF STEAMERS, PENNSYLVANIA AND VIRGINIA, FOR PHILADELPHIA & NEW YORK VIA NORFOLK.—The Steamship **Virginia,** Captain TEAL, will be ready to receive freight Thursday, the 23rd, and will positively sail Friday, at 12 o'clock, M.
Passage in first cabin and found, $8; second do do, $7; passage through to New York and found, $9.
For freight or passage, apply to
ROBERT RANKIN, Agent,
se 22 On the Dock.

NOTICE.—Will be sold at public auction on THURSDAY, the 30th of Sept, if fair, or the next fair day thereafter, at Westham Cottage, the residence of B. J. Duval, eight miles above the city, on the River Road, his stock of Horses, Mules, Cows, Hogs and Sheep, all of which are good; the crops, Corn, Oats, Hay and Fodder, with about fifty bushels Seed Wheat, (Woodfin,) eighty bushels Prince Edward Island Oats, the farming utensils, Household and Kitchen Furniture, one Carriage and one Buggy, &c, &c. se 22—8t*

SITUATION WANTED.—A middle aged married Man, of strictly moral habits, wishes to obtain a SITUATION as Book Keeper or Clerk in any other capacity in a store. He wishes a good home, and would not expect a large salary. For further information, apply at this office.
se 22—3t

A WHITE Female Cook, Washer and Ironer, who is also competent to do the work of a chamber maid and house servant, wants a situation. Application may be made to
se 22—1t JNO. WILLIAMS.

SERVANTS WANTED.—A BOY accustomed to waiting in a Restaurant preferred; also, one that can open oysters. R. W. ALLEN,
se 22 Arbour Restaurant.

BUTTER, BUTTER, BUTTER.—Just received per steamer, 20 kegs prime Goshen Butter, for sale in any quantity by
HULST & KING,
se 22 Franklin street, opposite Old Market.

NEW PICKLES, all ready for table use, for sale by the barrel, half barrel, or gallon.
HULST & KING,
se 22 Franklin street, opposite Old Market.

TOW LINES.—The subscribers are prepared to furnish, at short notice, any quantity of superior Tow Lines; also, Ropes, Lines and Cords of every description.
se 22 WILLIAMS & BROTHER.

MACKEREL.—50 bbls and 15 half bbls No 3 and 4 Mackerel, receiving per schr Courier, for sale by
se 22 WILLIAMS & BROTHER.

COTTON TWINE.—20 packages receiving per Courier, for sale by
se 22 WILLIAMS & BROTHER.

JAVA COFFEE.—30 bags receiving per Courier, for sale by
se 22 WILLIAMS & BROTHER.

CIGARS.—300,000 Regalia, Havana and Principe Cigars, of the best brands, for sale in lots to suit purchasers, by JOHN A. ROBINSON,
se 22 Corner Cary and 20th streets.

WINE.—70 cases Sherry, Madeira and Port Wine, all of fine quality, just received and for sale by JOHN A. ROBINSON,
se 22 Corner Cary and 20th streets

LICORICE PASTE.—75 cases Beck & Co.'s Licorice Paste, (warranted pure) for sale by
JOHN A. ROBINSON,
se 22 Corner Cary and 20th streets.

OLD MONONGAHELA WHISKEY, just received and for sale by
se 22 WM EGGLESTON.

PEPPER, Spice, Ginger, Mace, Cloves, Nutmegs, Indigo and Starch for sale by
se 22 WM. EGGLESTON.

LIVERPOOL SALT, Table Salt, in small sacks, for sale by
se 22 WM. EGGLESTON

WAREHOUSE NAILS.—100 kegs "Cumberland" factory, for sale by
se 22 DAVENPORT, ALLEN & CO.

SAFETY FUSE, of superior quality, for sale by
se 22 DAVENPORT, ALLEN & CO.