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To be had of all Dealers throughout North and South America, Europe, and the Islands of the Ocean, in large bottles, for 25 cts.  
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Stocks bought and sold on Commission. The highest price paid for Land Warrants.  
Gold and Silver Warranted.

Promissory notes in all lotteries, sold in Lot under the management of R. France & Co. will be promptly paid by me, and all inquiries relative to the business of R. France & Co., addressed to them at Richmond, will meet with prompt attention.

**C. B. LUCK,**  
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**HERRINGS AND SHAD.**—Cut, Gross and Roe Herrings and Shad, landing and for sale by  
**NO. WOMBLE & CO.**

**A Lover's Lament.**  
Belle and Beau did a walking go--  
To love they both were pining;  
The Sun, its beams on them did shine,  
And the hour comes soon for dining.  
Love never tires or complains;  
True love, it's hard to match;  
So set us down on yonder stile,  
While I read you the Dispatch.

My Ellen, dear, I'll this you read--  
For this I know you care--  
KATHOLOMEW offers to the world  
All same Watches to repair.

Where does he live? On Governor street!  
Next door to John S. Clark!  
And opposite to the Dispatch--  
And now for home we start.

**W. J. KATHOLOMEW,**  
Watch Maker and Jeweler, Governor st.  
my 26

**IMPORTANT NOTICE.**  
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**LU LAM & WATSON,**  
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**STORAGE, STORAGE.**—The subscribers having rented the custom house Lumber House, on 15th Street, in rear of our Auction and Commission Store, are prepared to receive all and every kind of Goods on storage, and on reasonable terms. Insurance can be effected at the lowest rate, as the building is fire proof. Every article will be paid to the reception and delivery of all goods entrusted to us.

**AL EXANDER NOTT & CO.**  
my 26-1m

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**MECHUM'S RIVER, May 25th, 1853.** my 26-1m

**VERY LIKELY BUY FOR SALE.**—A fine looking healthy boy, who has been accustomed to work, and for whom I will sell much less than the trader's price. **D. S. DELAPLANE,**  
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**LAND FOR SALE.**—300 acres of Land in Henrico County, about 8 or 10 miles below Richmond on James River. For further particulars apply to  
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**CUT HEARINGS.**—364 bbls No 1 Newfound land Cut Herring  
70 half bbls do do do, cargo of each British Gun, Capt Page, represented to be very fine, landing and for sale by  
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my 26

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**E. J. PICO,**  
Corner opposite the Old Market.

**SODA WATER, GOLD AND SPARKLING.**—We have opened our Soda Fountain, and invite our friends to call and see it. We have a variety of Syrups, viz: Lemon, Pine Apple, Strawberry, Vanilla, Ginger, Pepper, Orange and Sarsaparilla.

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my 24

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**CHAS. T. WORTHAM & CO.**

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**MARKET GARDEN.**—Any person wishing to rent Market Garden, or a lot of a good situation by applying at this office,  
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**HAVANA CIGARS.**—Some of the best brands ever offered in this market.  
**JAS. D. THOMAS, Druggist**  
Opposite Old Market, Franklin st.

**LIST OF LETTERS**  
Remaining in the Richmond Post Office on the 27th May, 1853.  
Persons calling for Letters in this List will please say they are advertised.  
Office hours on Sundays, hereafter, from 9 to 5 A. M. from 4 to 5 P. M.

**LADIES' LIST.**  
Ambrose Mrs Sarah A  
Alsop Mrs Margaret D  
Abraham Mrs Mary  
Anderson Mrs Jane

Biant Mrs Va E  
Bragg Sarah E  
Brigit Mrs Harriet 2  
Bigham Mrs Sarah  
Baxter Miss Mary J

Crane Mrs Sarah M  
Crump Rosetta  
Coppes Mrs Margaret  
Crowford Mrs Marg L  
Chalkley Mrs Maria L  
Clarkson Mrs Julia  
Clinkinger Mrs L J  
Cotter Mrs Harriet

Dobbins Mrs Mary  
Delmont Mrs F G  
Davenport Mrs F G R  
Daingerfield Adalado

Engleston Mrs M A  
Egmore Mrs F A  
Evan Mrs M A  
Eggleston Mrs Susan  
Elam Miss Sally

Freeman Mrs Margaret  
Farris Mrs R  
Fridhoff Mrs Karoline  
G

Gary Mrs M C 2  
Goode Mrs M C  
Grover Mrs A W  
Groat Miss E M  
Gamble Miss L B

Hughes Mrs B B  
Henderson Mrs R  
Hendley Mrs Ellen  
Hinchcock Mrs O P  
Hix Mrs M R  
Howe Mrs M A  
Hockaday Mrs M A  
Holt Mrs E S  
Hath Miss E J  
Handy Mrs C O 2  
Hall Mrs Catherine

Johnson Mrs M A C  
Jones Mrs Maria T  
Jones Miss Margaret  
Knap Mrs J  
Kirkmyre Mrs E G  
Kirkmyre Miss Betty P

Leibetter Mrs E  
Lowry Mrs Ann  
Lucas Mrs Judy  
Lucas Mrs Lucia  
Lott Mrs Mary  
Lusk Mrs Mary  
Lynch Mrs Mary

Mathews Mrs Ann  
Miller Mrs E H 3  
Manning Mrs Catharine  
Monday Mrs Elizabeth  
Miller Mrs Elizabeth  
Moody Mrs Willia A  
Muck Mrs Ann  
Moore Miss Ellen

McLeod Mrs Emeline  
McAlister Miss Jane S  
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Oliver Mrs Maria  
Parke Mrs Ann E  
Phillips Mrs Georgianna  
Powers Mrs Jane F 2  
Pryor Mrs M  
Price Mrs R T

Sale Mrs Frances  
Smith Mrs Rebecca  
Scott Mrs Jane F  
Stone Mrs J

Thorp Mrs Sarah  
Thorp Mrs Sarah B  
Tallifer Mrs Mary  
Thompson Mrs M  
Thompson Mrs Elizabeth  
Tilmon Mrs Harriet H  
Thompson Miss Arabella

Vandervall Mrs A R 2  
Via Miss Lizza

Ward Mrs Sarah  
Williams Mrs Rosa  
Willet Mrs Mary B  
Williams Mrs Mary T  
Wyatt Mrs Lucy B  
Warton Mrs Lucy  
Woodward Mrs Lucy A

**GENTLEMEN'S LIST.**  
Archer Dr Carthon  
Anderson Edward  
Ashburn James  
Adams John L  
Ashlock John W  
Atkinson T 2

Brushwood Alonzo W  
Bruce Arthur M  
Briggs Joseph T  
Bosher John C  
Barker John  
Brooks C W  
Barker & Carter  
Batt Conrad 2  
Baker Dennis  
Brown Edward  
Bernard Frederick J  
Burton Dr G W 2  
Booker John  
Buxton John  
Buckley James  
Bates J Luis  
Bain James  
Barr John B  
Bibb Wm T  
Barham Claudius A W  
Birch Samuel

Carrier Asa L  
Coburn Benjamin V  
Carr C  
Cummings Chas  
Cabel Dr Clifford  
Clark C W  
Cox David B  
Capps Edward E  
Cochran Franklin  
Cady G G  
Cheahine John W  
Carter & Harwood  
Connell John H  
Crawford James M  
Cox James H  
Clynton John  
Coole James  
Capps Joseph  
Crane C J  
Calligan J P

Davis Charles  
Diker Frank  
Davis John A  
Davis B B  
Dean M B 5  
Davis Richard A

Ehrenkrantz Charles  
Ely G F  
Edwards G T  
Ely G Q  
Eubank George F

Fisher W A  
Fitzpatrick C  
Franklin B B  
French Arthur  
Faudre G W 2

Ford S  
Finton Tim  
Furaron W N & G W  
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Goppins J M  
Griffith J A  
Goodman J L  
Guerraunt M L  
Graubart Robert  
Griffin Wm  
Gahard W P  
Gibbons H  
Gilliam Wm

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Hopkins A  
House A G  
Harris A G 2  
Hooper A J  
Hooper B H  
Hutzel C  
Hudson Daniel  
Hudson E T  
Hughson Fred  
Hobson F W  
Hitchman G W  
Hickson E N  
Heakst H 2  
Hockaday James  
Hill J 2  
Hawkins James  
Hullard Joseph  
Hill J M  
Hawkins J A  
Hatcher & Geentry

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Ireland Thomas  
Jones Alex C  
Jude A J  
Johnson L  
Johnson John H  
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Kuhn Robert  
Kitt John  
Kitty Thomas 2  
Knapp T  
Keel P  
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Longworth Quigra  
Lennan Nicholas  
Lanran Stephen L  
Lambard Samuel  
Lembright Wm  
Ladd Z C

M  
Macfarlin John  
Mason Alexander  
Merriman P  
Malone Richard  
Mayo Dr Robert  
McClurg E J 2  
Moore S B  
Moore Samuel T  
Moran Wm  
Morgan Wm  
Martin Wm P  
Moore Wm K  
Mayo Wm  
Mitchell Wm F  
Miller Wm G  
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McKean John  
McLaurin James  
McClurg James C  
McGee Wm C  
McDowell Wm J  
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Newman J S  
Nelson R L  
Nelson Samuel  
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Pledge J C  
Pledge Jo W  
Price Capt Jno  
Putnam John  
Perry Capt M E  
Pierce Peter  
Phillips Philip  
Pollard Samuel R  
Parker Wm  
Paine Wm

Quarrier Wm A  
Rogge Adolph  
Robinson John  
Reeves David  
Russell Daniel  
Rowan Edward  
Roper Robert A  
Ries Henry A 2  
Reinhart Jos R  
Reed James T  
Raunston Thos

S  
Slaughter J B  
Shields James W  
Scherb Jacob  
Schieber Johann  
Seefeld James C  
Sport James M 3  
Saunders Oksa  
Stewart S Sems  
Stewart Wm  
Stringfellow Wm H  
Stable Wm  
Smith Lewis  
Smith James S

T  
Taylor Robert T  
Teel R L  
Taylor Lewis  
Taylor John H  
Turner John  
Thomas John C  
Turner John  
Timberlake George  
Turner Austin D  
Underlite Bailey V

West Dr Richard T  
Vaughn Wm H 3  
W  
Williamson John T  
Wash Jr John 2  
Wash J M  
Williams John S  
Willis Joseph M  
Wooding Capt P  
Williams George C  
Waldner Frederick  
Wilson Edmund  
Westfall H F  
Wade Edward  
Weller D & C  
Walter C  
Weissmann Bernard

Y  
Yager Geo W  
Yarrington R M  
Z  
Zigler Rev G  
Via James

Worden Wm H  
Wyatt Wm  
White W T & J M  
Weatherly Wm B  
Wells Wm H  
Williamson Wm  
Wright Wm H  
Worham T S  
White Thos J  
Wilson Thos J  
Wade Edward  
White Philip S  
Watkins Philip  
Wood L B  
Walhall John J  
Wilkins J Edward

Yancy Charles  
Young W G 2  
Initials  
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THOS. B. BIGGER, P. M.

**FRESH HARDWARE.**—We have just received, direct importation, and offer for sale a further large supply of Sheffield Goods, consisting of Table and Dessert Knives and Forks, Pen and Pocket Knives in great variety, of 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 blades  
Butcher Knives, Shoe Knives  
Hand, Cross Cut, Pit, Mill Saw and Flat Bastard Files, all sizes  
Horse, Wood, Shop and Cabinet Raps, &c.  
To which we invite the attention of Merchants and others.  
W & G DONNAN,  
Importers of Hardware and Cutlery,  
No 19 Pearl Street.

**LICORICE.**—33 cases "Descoie" Spanish Licorice; 14 cases "M" Spanish Mass Licorice; 7 cases "Barracco" Calabria Stick Licorice for sale by  
**SAMUEL AYRES**

**EXTRACT VANILLA, ROSE, LEMON, BITTER ALMOND AND ORANGE,** for flavoring ice cream, for sale by  
**JAS D THOMAS, Druggist,**  
Opposite Old Market, Franklin st.

**FRESH MAY BUTTER.**—Just received per steamship Rosalie, a supply for this week of prime May Butter, fresh from the churn, for sale by  
**HULST & KING,**  
Franklin st. Old Market.

**FANCY ARTICLES, FRESH FUMERY, BRUSHES, COMBS, &c.**—a full supply always on hand, for sale by  
**JAS D THOMAS, Druggist,**  
Opposite Old Market, Franklin st.

**BACON.**—12 hhdms prime sides, for sale by  
**EDWIN WORTHAM & CO**

**THE DAILY DISPATCH**  
Saturday Morning, May 28, 1853.

**THE MINISTER TO SPAIN.**—The Havana correspondent of the Charleston Courier furnishes to that paper, the subjoined translation of an article in the Cronica. The correspondent remarks that he gives extract, the "as it exhibits the want of truth the Cronica generally shows in its polemics, with a specimen of its ridiculous bombast and vanity."  
Mr. Soule goes to Europe preceded by a brilliant fame, given to him by his friends, and he may rest assured that his diplomatic plans will meet the most happy exit. What we can assure him for his better government is, that if his intentions be such as are generally attributed to him, let him be assured that Cuba can only be lost to Spain or separated from the Spanish community, which is the same, through a cause which cannot possibly exist, to wit: through the degradation and misery of its rulers and legislators; through a mixture of fear and stupidity, which will not permit it to know the resources and material of the nation, and the ultra tone of its heroic people; through a baseness of character, which will prevent them from seeing the future of the race, its language and customs, its glorious traditions, the preservation of which is a principle of force and credit for a nation without and without its dominions.

**THE FLOATING DOCK SUCCESSFUL.**—The N. O. Picayune contains a letter dated Warrington, Florida, May 17, which states that a second trial was made to dock the frigate Columbia, at Pensacola, on that morning. A sufficient amount of ballast having been put aboard, the dock was easily sunk to the required depth, and the frigate, with all her armament, stores, four hundred men, &c., taken in. The water was then pumped out, and the frigate brought up with ease.

**INTERESTING FACT.**—The first steamboat that ever run on the western waters was built under the superintendence of Mr. Robson, who now lives, hearty, hale and well, with his son, two miles back of Newport, Ky. The old gentleman is eighty years of age, but his memory is good, and he recollects well about his youthful exercises. The boat was launched on 17th of March, 1811, at Pittsburgh, Pa., and called the New Orleans.

**LOOK OUT FOR EXPLOSIONS.**—Steamboat racing is now quite the rage in New Orleans. The people appear to be much excited by it, and watch the telegraphic accounts of the upward progress of the boats with as much interest as though they were on board themselves, racing for their lives. The Picayune censures the dangerous practice in strong terms.

**MOBILE AND OHIO RAILROAD.**—The Directors of this road have determined to put six millions of dollars of their bonds into market, and have deputed Col. Wm. R. Hallet, President of the Mobile Bank, to go to England to sell them. This road is to run from Mobile to the mouth of the Ohio River. Congress granted to it somewhat more than 1,100,000 acres of land, which is valued at \$5,000,000. Besides this the whole "road, bed and superstructure are provided for by subscription." So that the security for the bonds about to be issued is ample.

**A NOVEL VISIT.**—On the 27th of last month three officers from the U. S. sloop of war Cyane, then at anchor at San Juan del Norte, on the Atlantic side of the continent, in returning a visit to Leon, found themselves within twelve miles of the U. S. ship Fortmouth, at San Juan del Sud, on the Pacific. They rode over, dined with their friends on board that ship, and returned to Lake Nicaragua the same evening. This is the first time that officers attached to the home squadron have visited a ship on the Pacific station.—*Ports Transcript.*

**CHINESE CUSTOMS.**—When a Chinese lady is blessed with an increase in her family, from the moment of her *accouchement* the unhappy husband is put to bed also, and there detained for forty days, and during this delightful period he is subjected to all the rigorous treatment of his better half. Should medicine be administered to her, he must partake of it also, and he is strictly confined to the same diet, and she is obliged to undergo, which consists, on an average, I believe, of about a thimbleful of rice administered every three hours, to say nothing of the pill at bedtime, to prevent indigestion.—*Near's Residence at Siam.*

If you wish to drive a cut nail into seasoned oak timber and not to have it break or bend, just have a small quantity of oil near by and dip the nail before driving it, and it will never fail to go. In mending crabs, if generally made of oak wood, for they are generally made mostly of oak wood. In straightening out nails by using, let it be done on wood, and with easy blows. If done on iron they will be sure to break.

**MURDER.**—A disgraceful and brutal murder was committed in Memphis on the 25th ultimo. Two men, named Thos. Castello and Dan Dorsey, had a quarrel in a grocery on Brent Row, and afterwards in the street in front of the house, head knocked Castello down and beat his head several times against the curb stone, and he is said to have been a man of family, much respected and about seventy years of age. Dorsey had not been arrested at last accounts.

Mrs. Partington has been on a brief visit to New York. She appears to have been delighted with her hotel on the Avenue, where she says it was so pleasant to see the cars passing pro and con previous to her windows.

A Kentuckian, in San Francisco, during the absence of Henry Clay, said—  
"Mr. Clay ought never to have been buried on land. They should have thrown him into the sea, and a continent would have been built on his body!"

**IMPORTANT SUIT DECIDED.**—The suit instituted at Pittsburgh by Wm. L. Slicer, of Maryland, and others, heirs of Thos. Cromwell, deceased, to recover about \$2,000,000 worth of property, was concluded in the U. S. Circuit Court in that city on Monday. Judge Grier, in his charge, was decidedly adverse to either the law or equity of the claim, and directed the jury to bring in a verdict for the defendants in the dollar, and dismissed the bill in equity.

**TEXAS.**—A difficulty occurred in Palestine on the 5th inst., between George W. Givena and Thomas A. Milan, which resulted in the death of the latter. Givena was admitted to bail in the sum of \$2,000 to appear at the next term of the District Court for Anderson county.

**Correspondence of the Dispatch.**  
WASHINGTON, May 26.

The Diplomatic and Consular appointments have been made, with a few exceptions; and Virginia seems to be pretty well represented in the list.

It is a matter of wonder with the aspirants for the District offices, that these appointments have not been made. It is now rumored that nothing further, touching removals and appointments, will transpire until the 1st of July. Such a rumor, while it has a tendency to provoke the applicant to almost open rebellion, lukewarmness in the ranks of the "unfortunate," that may possibly inure to the advantage of the opposition party.

The question is daily asked, who will receive the appointment of Minister to France? Nobody knows; and speculation is at fault. James M. Ramsey, Esq., a \$1400 clerk in the Chief Clerkship of this Bureau, vice Ezra C. Seaman, removed.

We have no news of a political nature—everything, just now, is quiet—calm, we fear, that precedes the coming storm on the 1st of July, the commencement of the new fiscal year.

**SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.**  
The Times of yesterday notices the rumor of Santa Anna's application to Spain for aid to protect Mexico against the United States, and gives an extract from an article in the New York Express upon the subject, wherein it is asserted that Santa Anna foresees a war with the United States, and is making preparations for allies if he can get them.

The *Whig* criticizes, with no gentle hand, the mode of official appointment adopted by General Pierce, and asserts that there can be no mistake about his determination to carry out the contract by which the different *isms* of the country were bought up to secure his election, and contends that the free-soilers have received the lion's share of the spoils.

The *Examiner* gives a description of the closing scenes and result of the late election. The *Enquirer* urges the necessity and propriety of a full attendance of the Virginians at the ensuing Memphis Convention.

The *Mail* has an article in favor of the encouragement of American Industry, and alludes to the proposed effort of Great Britain, upon a large scale, to establish the culture of cotton in Australia. It calls the attention of Southern free-traders and people generally to the fact and states that they will eventually find that it is not the height of wisdom to dispense with the market which might be secured by the encouragement of American manufactures, when England is making such steady, unceasing and well directed efforts, and with so strong a probability of ultimate success, to supply her own markets with the growth of her own dependencies.

**THE RACE HORSE COMPROMISE.**—The Nashville Banner, of the 13th, has the following paragraph of interest to turfmen:  
Gen. W. Woodfolk has sold his race horse COMPROMISE, and he is shortly to be removed to Kentucky. He was purchased by Messrs. Chestnut and Barber, Thomas T. Smith, Esq., acting as their agent in the purchase. The sum paid for him was \$3,700. COMPROMISE has never lost a race, and for some years past has been considered the best horse in Tennessee turf. He has been a winner of one, two, three and four mile races in none of which was he pushed by his competitors.

**STEAMBOAT LOST.**—The steamboat General Scott, bound from Cincinnati for New Orleans, took fire in the hold one day last week, and to prevent the total destruction of the cargo, it was found necessary to scuttle her. No lives lost.

**FATAL AFFRAY.**—An affray took place on the 9th inst., at Lagrange, Fayette county, Tenn., between a Mr. Moss and a Mr. Lambert, which resulted in the death of the former by a pistol shot from the latter.

**THE JOIST WORM.**—The Recorder states that the wheat crop in the vicinity of Fredericksburg is infested with the joist worm, and will be greatly curtailed.