Richmond Dispatch.

TUESDAY MORNING.....OCT. 18, 1859.

INSURRECTIONARY OUTBREAK IN VIRGINIA.

Seizure of the U. S. Arsenal at Harper's Ferry—Governor Wise at the Scene of Action—Troops Ordered from Richmond.

The startling intelligence reached this city yesterday that an insurrectionary outbreak had occurred at Harper's Ferry, Sunday, and that negroes to the number of 500, aided by about 200 white men, the whole being under the command of a white Captain, named ANDERSON, had seized the U. S. Arsenal, at that place, and captured the town itself. The first reliable intimation of the event was the following dispatch, received by Governor WISE yesterday morning:

CAMDEN STATION, Baltimore & Ohio R. R., Oct. 17, 1859.

Rioters are in possession of the U. S. Armory and the Railroad Bridges, at Harper's Ferry.—Fire-arms have been used, and one man fatally injured. This occurred last night. The wires are cut between Harper's Ferry and Frederick. Telegraph to me, and your order will be forwarded. Please issue necessary orders.

JOHN W. GARNETT,
President Baltimore & Ohio R. R.

The Governor promptly ordered two companies of infantry and one of cavalry from Jefferson county, to repair to the scene of action, and last night left on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad for Harper's Ferry, accompanied by company F, Capt. CARY, numbering nearly 100 men, leaving orders that the entire 1st Regiment of volunteers, of this city, as also the Young Guard, should follow him this morning.

The U. S. Government at Washington, has ordered to the spot a company of 93 marines, with two 12-pounder howitzers, and three companies of artillery from Fortress Monroe. The City Guard, Law Greys and Shields Guard of Baltimore, also volunteered for service, and left that city yesterday afternoon for Harper's Ferry.

The dispatches by telegraph in another column, state that a few weeks ago, Secretary FLOYD received an anonymous letter warning him that about the 15th inst., the "Abolitionists and negroes would seize the U. S. Arsenal at Harper's Ferry;" but the information was "so improbable" that no notice was taken of it.

Harper's Ferry, where this disturbance, which promises a most bloody finale, has taken place, is situated in the Valley of Virginia, at the confluence of the Shenandoah and Potomac rivers, and is located on a hill which is washed by both rivers. It contains about 6,000 inhabitants. It is chiefly sustained by the Armory works, the laborers at which reside there. On the summit of the hill are many handsome residences, erected by the Federal Government for the residence of the officers at the Arsenal. The Armory, which has been captured by the insurgents, lies chiefly on the Potomac, whose waters propel the machinery used. On the other side of the town, on the Shenandoah, is situated the Armory specially devoted to the manufacture of rifles. Capt. B. MILLS is Master Armorer, and A. M. BALL Master Machinist of the works. The bridge captured by the insurgents and which was to be stormed last night by the U. S. Marines, is thus described in a recent letter to the *Dispatch*:

"The railroad crosses from the left bank of the Potomac, by a powerful bridge to the town. As it emerges from the bridge, it takes its course up the right bank of the Potomac, along a spacious platform that has two tracks, and is sustained by powerful timbers resting on iron and stone pillars, covering a part of the Armory grounds and extending for near six hundred yards. Embankment could not be made, because the Armory must necessarily communicate with the river, which is easily done under the superstructure. On this broad platform the inhabitants take their evening promenades, and it is a great convenience to them, as there is little space here for locomotion, unless you ascend the hills."

Immorality of Cities.

There exists a strong propensity in this country, and we suppose in all other countries, to represent the great cities as great ulcers of immorality and wickedness. Paris, for example, is proverbial for unbridled and shameless licentiousness, and London, though more decorous in externals, is supposed to be little better. In the United States, New York is believed to be a perfect sink of iniquity, New Orleans a menagerie of tigers and obscene birds, and Washington a living daguerreotype of both. There are curious stories related of shocking licentiousness among "respectable people," which, with a change of names and dates, have been told for the last forty-five years, which descend from generation to generation, and seem to be as eternal in their duration as they are corrupt in their character. One would think, from the accounts rife in the verdant spots of the earth, that the men of the large cities were all rogues and murderers, the women faithless and foul, and sincerity and manliness qualities utterly unknown.

Now, we think, human nature is pretty much the same in all places and all ages. A rural life is most favorable to virtue, but city life has as great advantages for moral improvement as it has temptations to vice. There is a great amount of vice in cities, because there is a great amount of humanity. The country is not without vice; the fairest Eden on the face of the earth has "the trail of the serpent" over it in one shape or other, and there is probably no village in the land which, in proportion to its numbers, and bearing in mind the mixed population which is thrown into large cities from all quarters of the world, has any reason to say to the latter, "Stand aside, for I am holier than thou." There is probably more scandal and gossipping in a small town in twenty-four hours than there has been in London or New York for the last hundred years.

Paris, which has the worst name of any capital of the civilized world, derives its bad reputation, like New Orleans and Washington, from the strangers who visit it in pursuit of pleasure, and most of whom never come within gun-shot of its respectable society.—The domestic life of Paris is more guarded than that of almost any other country, and the domestic relations of the gentry and men of science and business as pure and noble as those of any other locality under Heaven.—Indeed, it would be well if, in this fast age and generation, we could, boast as much love and loyalty of children to parents as are everywhere found in the French nation. As for London, a city of two millions of inhabitants, the great mass, comprising both the nobility and the middling classes, are as honest, sober and moral a people as can be found in any part of the world, whether country or town.

The means and energies that have been awakened in London for the moral and intellectual improvement of man, surpass all that the rural districts of England ever did, or, in the nature of things, could, put forth. The same is true of most of our large American cities. New York has a bad name; it is the sink and sewer of all the rascality of the United States, and of the whole world, and the election of every officer by the people puts the government virtually in the hands of the mob; but if all the rascals and dissolute characters could be marched out of New-York, it would still be a very large city, full of as industrious, enterprising, moral and generous a people as can be found on this continent. So, too, with the city of Washington. The resident citizens are a most upright and virtuous, as well as intelligent and refined, population. Perhaps there is no city in our land where there is less of sectionalism, and more respect is paid to intellect and merit.—The people of that city ought not to be held responsible for the gambling, drunkenness, and rowdyism generally, of the representatives of other sections—some from the pure and benevolent country—who make Washington their headquarters during the winter.

ROANOKE VALLEY RAILROAD.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this road was held at Townsville, N. C., on the 13th inst. Henry Wood, of Clarkesville, was re-elected President, and Joseph R. Anderson, of Richmond, and Wm. C. Marrow, Jr., of Norfolk, chosen as Directors on behalf of the stockholders. The State Directors are James E. Harkins, Esq., Dr. S. H. Harris and Dr. Geo. C. Scott, of Clarkesville, and S. S. Daly, Esq., of Boydton, Va. The receipts of the road for the year ending the 1st inst., were $21,056.72, and the expenses $19,217, which, compared with last year, show an increase of $3,014.12.

Affairs in China.

The New York *Times* appears to doubt the story about our ambassador having been boxed up and carried to Peking, as HENRY BROWN was conveyed to the North some years ago.—Indeed, it does not believe that Mr. WARD has gone to Peking at all; but thinks he is still safely enjoying his ease with his dignity untouched, on board the Powhatan. If, however, he has actually reached the Imperial city, the *Times* is disposed to attribute his good luck to his good sense, in going there by the route and in the manner prescribed by the Chinese authorities. We are very much disposed to take the same view of the case. We go to China if not exactly as suppliants, yet, as men asking a great favor, which it is perfectly legitimate for the Chinese government to grant or withold at its option. If it should accede to our wishes, we most assuredley, have no right to dictate the manner in which it shall grant the favor. If we do not like it, we can decline to accept it, and we can conscientiously do no more. The Chinese do not ask us to come to China and trade with them, and "beggars are not allowed to be choosers," anywhere in the world, that we ever heard of. It will not do to look a gift horse in the mouth.

We pointed out, several days ago, the absurdity of holding the Chinese responsible for violations of international law, as it is understood by European nations and their descendants. They are parties to no such law They do not even know what it is. They have never professed to be governed by it. It is applicable only to the affairs of nations who trade and communicate freely with each other, and results from the necessities of the case. Now, the whole object of Chinese policy is to prevent such freedom of communication as far as it possibly can. Of course, it has no need of any such law as that comprised in the International Code, and it neither acknowledges it, nor knows anything about it. The Code in question, seems to us to be more like a collection of tacit or implied agreements, than a body of laws. A *law* implies a power to make laws. It is enacted by some ruling authority. Now, as we have no power to make laws for Great Britain, and Great Britain has no power to make laws for us, this Code wants the grand desideratum of all laws; an authority somewhere, to enforce it. Civilized nations regulate their conduct by it, because they find it convenient to do so. Indeed, it would be impossible to do without it, in the present state of the civilized world, as between civilized nations. But the Chinese are very differently situated. They have no intercourse with foreign nations, so far as they can avoid it, and they have, therefore, no use for the regulations known as the Public Law. They make no treaties unless they are forced upon them, and such force they regard as a violation of their rights, which they take the first opportunity to re-assert. We doubt very much whether a single Mandarin in the whole empire has ever understood the treaties that have been forced upon the imperial government, or so much as knows that there is such a thing as International law, or if he knows it, can comprehend why the Celestial Empire should be made to obey the law of the outside barbarians, seeing that these barbarians have not yet conquered the country. We may be sure that the Chinese look upon these treaties, made by the English and French, as the law of the Conqueror, for they have no other medium through which to view them.

Any other war than a war of conquest on the part of Great Britain and France, upon the Chinese Empire, we hold to be an utter absurdity. They profess to be desirous to chastise them and make them behave better in future. But how is this to be done? Is it by slaughtering their people? They evidently care nothing for that. Is it by destroying their cities? They will find work enough of that kind done ready to their hands. In a letter from Lord ELGIN to Lord MALMESBURY, dated January 5th, of the present year, and published in the Parliamentary Blue Books, the former tells the latter that he has been to Chingkiangfoo and has there witnessed the fruits of the rebellion still raging in the heart of the Empire. In 1842 that city had a population of 300,000 souls. In 1859 it sits as solitary as Babylon. Not a soul inhabits it, and its houses, and the wall by which it was surrounded, form one pile of ruins. Nor was the condition of this city at all peculiar. It was identical with that of every other which he visited on his voyage up the Yang-tse-kiang, and he visited many. The presumption, therefore, is, that throughout the empire, wherever the rebels have been, such is the condition of China. What, then, is the use of making war upon such a pile of ruins, or of reducing other cities to the same state? Let them wait a little while, and the rebels will save them the trouble and expense. In the meantime, it is a most extravagant absurdity to suppose that any good can be effected, permanently, by doing, in a small way, what the Chinese themselves are doing on such a magnificent scale. This is perfectly well understood both at London and Paris. It is known that the proposed chastisement will be no chastisement at all, and that the only way to open the Celestial Empire thoroughly is to conquer and occupy it. This, we have not the slightest doubt, is the ultimate design of both Cabinets. Such enterprises as this design would lead to, we may well suppose, have always been the peculiar dread of the Chinese who cannot have failed to know all about the British conquests in India, and to have been influenced thereby in their restrictive policy. It is natural that they should be thus influenced. They desire, doubtless, like all other nations, to retain their independence, and they very justly conceive that it is impossible to do so if free intercourse with Europe be allowed.

Yet, it is not to France or England, we conceive, that China will ultimately fall. Her destiny is as manifest to us, as that of Mexico. The Great Northern Colossus is already impinging upon her borders. He is rapidly opening communications with his possesssions in Europe. He is erecting a mighty Empire upon the Pacific. In a few generations, Siberia will be, independently of its European connexion, the most powerful Empire in the old World. To her China will as certainly fall, some day, as Mexico and all South America, will some day fall under the dominion of the Stars and Stripes. What could England and France do to prevent Mexico from succumbing to the gigantic weight already pressing upon her from the North? They might, perhaps, delay the consummation a few years, or even a few generations. But what are a few years, or a few generations, in the life-time of a Nation?

Brothers in the Convention.

A correspondent gives us the following interesting information:

It is a remarkable fact that there are in the present Episcopal Convention four pairs of brothers as clerical delegates, viz:

Dr. Francis Vinton, D. D., of New York.
Dr. Alexander Vinton, D. D., of Philadelphia.
Dr. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., of New York.
Rev. Wm. N. Hawks, of Alabama.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Hawks, of Missouri, is also a third brother, and now having a seat in the House of Bishops.

Rev. J. H. Ingraham, LL. D., of Mississippi.
Rev. J. P. H. Ingraham, B. D., of Wisconsin.

While in the House of Bishops are the two venerable brothers:

The Rt. Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D., Bishop of New York, and
The Rt. Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of Pennsylvania.

THE FAMILY JOURNAL.—This is the title of a new Literary Weekly paper gotten up after the style of Bonner's Ledger, by two enterprising journalists of Baltimore: Messrs. WILLIAMS & MOORE. It is printed in handsome style, and the contents shew alike energy, taste and liberality. The attractive feature of the sheet at present is a story entitled "The Plague-stricken City, or the adventures of a Baltimore Physician;—a tale of the Norfolk Pestilence." We have not read it; but the incidents of the never-to-be-forgotten plague were many of them full of dramatic interest, and in the hands of the ingenious author might be made very readable, if not highly exciting. Messrs. SMITH, Main street; JARVIS, Broad street; and EVANS, Pearl street, are agents for the Family Journal.

SUGAR FROM LIBERIA.—A firm in Portsmouth, Va., has received a consignment of two tierces sugar and two tierces of molasses from Liberia. The consignment was from Chas. Cooper, a colored man who left that city in 1856, and was the product of his farm.

The Late Judge Mason.

The sudden death of Judge MASON, announced in yesterday's *Dispatch*, has elicited a universal expression of sorrow in this community, of which he was one of the most esteemed and honored members. No man in Virginia has seen more of public service, and none have been more faithful in the discharge of public duty. Judge MASON graduated at the University of North Carolina, in 1816, from which institution he afterwards received the degree of LL. D. In his profession, the law, he acquired an eminent and influential position, and became a Judge of the U. S. District Court in Virginia. He was a Representative in Congress, from this State, from 1831 to 1837; a member of President Tyler's Cabinet as Secretary of the Navy, and a member of President Polk's Cabinet—first as Attorney General, and, secondly, as Secretary of the Navy. He presided over the last Convention to reform the Virginia Constitution, and, upon his retirement from the Secretaryship of the Navy under President Polk, accepted the Presidency of the James River and Kanawha Company, a sphere of duty to which, impelled by his ardent love and sagacious appreciation of the true interests of Virginia, he devoted himself with as much zeal and energy as to the highest official functions of the Federal Government. Upon the accession of President Pierce to power, he was appointed Minister to France, in which position he was continued by President Buchanan. He has filled this prominent and responsible position with the highest efficiency and acceptability both to the French government and to that of his own country. American visitors to France have spoken in glowing terms of the kindly and genial reception which the face of an American always ensured from the "fine old Virginia gentleman," who presided at our Embassy in Paris. He was a gentleman of elevated character, of even and generous nature, and of remarkable courtesy and simplicity of manners; one who will long be remembered, not alone for his eminent talents and services, but for the qualities of the heart, which made all who knew him respect and love him.

Beersheba Springs, in Tennessee, have been sold to a company, composed chiefly of citizens of New Orleans and Nashville, for the sum of $15,000.

Dr. Peterson Goodwyn, who was killed in a duel in Calaveras county, California, by Col. Gatewood, was a native of Greensville county, Va., where he has many relatives.

Jerome Culver was killed in McLean county, Ky., last week, by a slave. The murderer was arrested, seized by a mob, and hung on the spot.

Female help and dwelling houses are very scarce at New Orleans. Negro house servants are not to be had, and white command $14 to $16 per month.

The Rochester Cricket Club have accepted the proposition of the All-England to play a match in Rochester of three days, commencing on the 20th inst.

Col. Robert Train, a prominent citizen of Frankfort, Me., was killed Saturday at Bangor by falling upon the wharf.

John F. Northcroft, a hotel keeper at Lebanon, Ky., committed suicide on the 9th inst., by leaping into a well.

Dr. Ives has resigned his office as Junior Secretary of the American Medical Association. Dr. Ives is only 81 years of age.

The receipts of the Connecticut State Fair amount to upwards of $10,000.

There were 152 deaths in Philadelphia last week.

The Excelsior Minstrels of Richmond, are playing in Charleston, S. C.

RICHMOND THEATRE.—
OUR MAGGIE AS BEAUTY.
OUR MAGGIE AS ALBINA.
OUR MAGGIE IN NEW SONGS.
NEW SCENERY and good SINGING.
NEW SCENERY and NEW EFFECTS.
NEW SCENERY and PLENTY of FUN.
NEW BURLESQUE with OUR MAGGIE.
NEW COMEDY with OUR MAGGIE.
NEW PIECES with OUR MAGGIE.
OUR MAGGIE IN BURLESQUE.
OUR MAGGIE IN NEW COMEDY.
OUR MAGGIE IN NEW CHARACTERS.
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST,
AND
MY GRANDFATHER'S WILL;
OR,
THE MAN IN THE STRAW.

GO TO THE GREAT GIFT BOOK SALE, now open at 151 Main street. The best collection of Standard Miscellaneous Works ever offered in this place.
A Book and a Gold Watch for $1.
A Book and a Silver Watch for $1.
A Book and a Gold Locket for $1.
A Book and a Gold Pen for $1.
A Book and a Gold Pencil for $1.
A Book and a pair of Spectacles for $1.
A Book and a Gold Ring for $1.
A Book and a Gold Bracelet for $1.
A Book and a Gold Chain for $1.
A Book and a Gold Thimble for $1.
A Book and a set of Sleeve Buttons for $1.
Call and examine and get a Catalogue.
oc 17—4t

FIRE.—C. R. REES respectfully informs his friends and the public that his STEAM PHOTOGRAPHIC GALLERY will soon be in operation again. All pictures that were on hand to be finished and paid for, will be re-taken or the price paid for them will be refunded, by calling at my residence, 6th street, near Leigh. I sincerely thank the citizens of Richmond for their very liberal patronage during the past two years of my stay here. oc 4—eodts

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF RICHMOND, VA., OCT. 17, '59.

High Water this day (Tuesday) 9¼ o'clock.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Jamestown, Skinner, New York, mdze and passengers, Ludlam & Watson.
Steamer Belvidere, Keene, Baltimore, mdze. and passengers, D. & W. Currie.
Steamer City of Richmond, Mitchell, Philadelphia, mdze. and passengers, H. E. Tuttle.
Bark Sallie McGee, Rogers, Rio, coffee, Edmond, Davenport & Co.
Schr. Elizabeth Elenor, Lane, New York, hay, Mark Downey
Schr. Ireland City, Conklin, New York, hay, Mark Downey.
Schr. Arkansas, Miles, James river, billets, Cole & Co.
Schr. Henry Finch, Davey, New York, ice, B. Wardwell & Co.
Schr. D. K. Hopkins, Leigh, Rappahannock river, tobacco and oats, A. Samuel.
Schr. I. W. L. Sturges, Scott, Eastern Shore, corn and oats, A. Millspaugh.
Schr. Wm. Preston, White, Hampton, wheat, to captain.

SAILED,

Steamship Yorktown, Parrish, mdze., and passengers, Ludlam & Watson.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Cleared, schrs. J. K. Waring, Cheverol, Richmond; Sea Witch, Egbert, Norfolk; Grace Darling, Mason, Fredericksburg; Alba, Powell, Washington, N. C. Arrived, schrs. Banonet, Racer, War Hawk, J. A. Taylor, and D. E. Wolfe, all from Virginia.

HALIFAX, Oct. 8.—Arrived, schr. Mary, Purvis, Norfolk.

BOSTON, Oct. 14.—Arrived, schrs. Chas Roberts, Fowler, Washington, N. C.; War Eagle, Hodgdon, Wilmington, N. C.; Stage, Loveland, Richmond; H. K. Dunton, Pinkham, Norfolk; T. O. Thompson, Johnson, do.

PROVIDENCE, Oct. 14—Arrived, schr. Rachel Jane, Kinner, Richmond.

SALEM, Oct. 14.—Arrived schr. Challenge, Bullock, Richmond.

Schr. Orris Francis, Clark, from Richmond for Boston, is at Stonington, with damage to spars, of what nature is not known.

PASSENGERS PER STEAMSHIP "JAMESTOWN," SKINNER, from New York:

Rich'd Armstrong, S. J. Smith, J. Johnson, Jr., H. Clark, Wm Parker, G. W. Taylor, F. Bowden, Geo. Punchard, M. Bernhard, J. H. Collier, M. W. Campbell, R. S. Green, E. M. Stevens, H. Grovers, P. W. Keenan, Mrs. F. N. Briggs and child, Mrs. Wicks and child, A. E. Helmer, G. Rork, D. A. Wright, F. H. Cameron, S. S. Clarke, A. Morris and lady, F. T. Hamilton and lady, J. W. Shorvers, Mrs. D. H. Hatton, Miss Ayres, Mrs. M. A. Talley, Miss A. Drumgold, Mrs. O. N. Elliott and son, Mrs. M. A. Stoddard, Mrs. Puckeridge, Mrs. M. Haley, Mrs. M. Hull, P. Pierson, A. Pierson, Hy. Martin and wife, Mrs. Wood, Miss Fritze, Mrs. Ex-President John Tyler, Master Tyler, D. L. Gardner, and 19 steerage. Also, from Portsmouth: Rev. Wm. Watson, J. H. Sharp, Mrs. E. Brown, M. F. Taylor.

RICHMOND IRON AND STEEL WORKS. The undersigned would respectfully call the attention of dealers and consumers to his large assortment of AMERICAN REFINED AND COMMON IRON, consisting of all kinds and sizes of Bar, Band, Hoop and Scroll Iron, Rounds and Squares, Ovals and Half Rounds, Tire Iron, Horse and Mule-Shoe Iron, Lightning Rods, Agricultural Drum Teeth, Nut Iron, and Tobacco Mill Tapered Iron; also, Counter-Sunk and Punched Rails, for Pit and Quarry Railroads; Railroad Frog Steel, Steel Coach, Buggy and Sulky Tires and Quarry Half-Round Steel. JAMES HUNTER, Foot 9th st., on the river.
N. B.—A large lot of second-hand WIRE in store, suitable for baling hay. oc 18—2w*

NEW BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—
Prime Orange County BUTTER and
English Dairy CHEESE.
ALSO,
GREEN and BLACK TEAS,
Of good quality, for sale by
G. M. LUMPKIN & BRO.,
Franklin st., opposite Metropolitan Hall.
oc 18—2t*

ATTENTION, ALL!—If you have HOUSE, SIGN or ORNAMENTAL PAINTING to do and want it done with the best material and best workmen, at a fair price, call on me, as I am prepared to do all kinds of work of this kind, from the painting in a pane of glass to the painting of the Capitol, (which needs it very much.
R. W. ALLEN,
oc 18—3t* 5th street, near Broad.

FRESH GUNPOWDER TEAS OF CHOICE QUALITY.—250 half chests and cases imported per ships Oscar, Malay, Robin Hood and Romance of the Sea, for sale by
oc 18—4t J. & E. DAVENPORT.

BOARDING.—MRS. FRENCH, on Main, between 2d and 3d streets, has very desirable vacant rooms. Several gentlemen can also be accommodated with DAY BOARD, upon reasonable terms. oc 18—3t*

COMMERCIAL.

Richmond Markets, Oct. 17.

There is nothing new to notice in the markets, and no change since our last report, except that CORN is stiffer and the stock exceedingly limited. There was a very heavy frost in this locality Monday morning, and the blade shows its effects very decidedly. The Tobacco which was left standing at that time in this neighborhood was killed.

TOBACCO—The breaks of Tobacco are small—also the receipts, and prices higher, particularly for good and fine continental tobacco. We quote inferior Lugs at $4@5; Good and Fine $5.50@6.50; Inferior Leaf $7@8; Good $9@11.50; English scarce—nominal price $8.50@13; Fine Manufacturing $15@20.

FLOUR.—There is very little doing, and there has been no change in prices. We quote Superfine $5.50@$5.75; Extra $6@$6.50.

WHEAT.—Market heavy at last quotations, viz.: good to prime Red $1.10 to $1.20; do. White $1.35 to $1.40. A very choice lot occasionally brings five cents more than these rates.

CORN.—We quote at $1.05, wholesale. The small stock on hand is freely sold at $1.10 per bushel.

OATS.—We continue to quote at 45 to 50 cents per bushel, and stock very light.

HAY.—95 cents from wharf—$1 from store.

BACON.—Market still firm at last quotations, and stock light: Sides 11½c.; Shoulders 9½c.

COFFEE.—We quote Rio 11¼@12½c.; Laguayra 12½@13½c.; Java 16c.; Mocha 18c.

SUGARS—We quote New Orleans 7¼@8½c.; Porto Rico, 7½@8c.; Loaf, 11c.; Crushed and Powdered 10½@10¾c.; Coffee Sugar 9@10c., as in quality.

MOLASSES.—New Orleans 42@45 cts.; Cuba Muscovado 30 cts.; Clayed Cuba 28 cts.; Porto Rico 38@42 cents.

CATTLE, &c.

BEEF.—Sales last week at $3.50 to 4.75 gross, for fair to very superior cattle.

VEAL.—Calves dull at $5 to 10.00 per head.

MUTTON.—We quote at $3.50 to 6.00, according to quality.

MONEY MATTERS—EXCHANGE.

NORTHERN EXCHANGE—On New York and Philadelphia ⅛@¼ prem.

Such of the Stock Bank notes and of the Bank of the Valley, as are not taken by the Banks are at a discount of ¼ ⅌ cent.

The notes of the Trans-Alleghany Bank are 25 ⅌ cent. discount. Bank of Kanawha, no sale.

North and South Carolina Bank Notes ½@¾ ⅌ cent. discount.

The notes of the Bank of Weston and the Bank of Manassa, 15 per ct. dis.

GOLD ¼ per cent. prem. No prem. allowed for SILVER.

Northern Markets.—[BY TELEGRAPH.]

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Cotton very dull. Flour unchanged. Wheat dull—white $1.35@1.42. Corn dull and ½ per cent. lower. Pork buoyant at $15.25@15.37 for Mess. Lard and Whiskey unchanged.—Sugar steady—Muscovado 5¾@7¼. Molasses 38@44c. Naval Stores unchanged. Rice 3¾@4½.—Stocks unchanged: Va. 6's 94¾.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 17.—Flour heavy and unchanged. Wheat buoyant and 2c. higher. Corn firm at 93@94. Mess Pork $15.75—prime[$11.50.—Bacon sides 10¾. Whiskey firm and scarce—Ohio 29c.

DIED,

On the 17th Oct., in the county of Hanover, at the residence of her son, Jeremiah M. Smith, Mrs. MARTHA SMITH, in the 83d year of her age.—She leaves many warm friends to mourn their loss.

VIRGINIA CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Virginia Central Agricultural Society, held on Monday, the 17th October, 1859, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That no horse more than six years of age will be allowed to compete for the 3d and 4th premiums for "fast horses."

Resolved, That the Executive Committee will enlarge the time for "fast horses," if, on the day of the trot, the track shall be in bad order from rain.

Resolved, That the owners of "fast horses" be requested to meet the Executive Committee at the Fair Grounds, on Friday morning next, at 10 o'clk.
oc 18—1t C. DIMMOCK, Sec'y.

VIRGINIA CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The following gentlemen compose the Committee of Reception of the Va. Central Agricultural Society:
Hon. JNO. S. CASKIE, WM. H. MACFARLANE,
W. H. HAXALL, Esq., LAND. Fox,
THOS. T. GILES, Esq., W. B. WARWICK, Esq.,
W. GODDIN, Esq., JNO. L. BACON, Esq.,
Col. T. P. AUGUST, G. S. PALMER, Esq.,
Capt. R. M. CARY, Capt. W. M. ELLIOTT,
H. W. RITCHIE, Esq., J. A. COWARDIN, Esq.,
H. L. KENT, Esq., J. R. BARKSDALE,
JNO. WICKHAM, Esq., W. H. LYONS, Esq.,
J. B. FERGUSON, Jr., Dr. JAS. BEALE,
Esq.,
oc 18—1t

THE AGRICULTURAL FAIR IN RICHMOND, COMMENCING ON THE 24TH AND ENDING ON THE 29TH OCTOBER.—To remove a misapprehension which exists to some extent, the public is informed that *no entrance fee upon animals or other articles will be required.*
oc 17—4t C. DIMMOCK,
Secretary Va. C. A. S.

THE HERMITAGE FAIR GROUNDS.—In order to complete the necessary arrangements for the Fair, these grounds will be closed until the 25th inst.
oc 14—1w C. DIMMOCK, Chief Marshal.

FAIR OF THE VIRGINIA CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The office of this Society is at the Ballard House. Hours for business from 9 o'clock, A. M., to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. THOS. F. BUTLER having been appointed assistant to the Secretary, will be in attendance to renew old and dispose of new Certificates of Membership, and to give any information desired in relation to the approaching Fair in October next.
C. DIMMOCK,
se 24—ts Secretary and Treasurer.

SHOCKOE HILL GENERAL AGENCY, 1011 E. Franklin st.
G. W. H. TYLER,
Office on Marshall, between Sixth and Seventh Streets.
Continues to RENT OUT HOUSES, HIRE OUT NEGROES, SELL REAL ESTATE, SEL NEGROES, and acts as a GENERAL AGENT.—He returns his thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed upon him for two years past. au 31—6m

JOSEPH LAIDLEY, EDWARD T. ROBINSON.
LAIDLEY & ROBINSON, GRADUATES OF THE PHILADELPHIA COLLEGE OF PHARMACY, PRACTICAL CHEMISTS AND PHARMACEUTISTS—Offer to country physicians and families a perfectly new and fresh stock of pure and reliable MEDICINES, together with SURGEONS' INSTRUMENTS, PERFUMERY, FANCY GOODS, and all other things in the Drug line, which they will sell on the best terms.

Chemical and Pharmaceutical Preparations made to order, and sent to any part of the country.
LAIDLEY & ROBINSON, New Drug Store,
oc 18—3t 4th and Franklin sts., Richmond.

THE ZOUAVE HAT.
JUST RECEIVED, THE NEW AND ELEGANT HAT,
JUST OUT FROM PARIS,
bearing the above celebrated title, at
oc 18—3t JOHN DOOLEY'S.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF VIRGINIA—A PROCLAMATION.—Information having been received by the Executive that ROBERT ROBERTSON, who is charged with murder, on the 9th instant, in the county of Rockingham, has fled from justice and is now going at large: Therefore, I do hereby offer a reward of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS to any person who shall arrest the said ROBERT ROBERTSON and deliver him into the jail of said county of Rockingham; and I do moreover require all Officers of this Commonwealth, civil and military, and request the people generally, to use their best exertions to procure the arrest of the said fugitive, that he may be brought to justice.

Given under my hand as Governor, and under the Less Seal of the Commonwealth, at Richmond, this seventeenth day of October, 1859.
HENRY A. WISE.
By the Governor:
GEO. W. MUNFORD, Sec'y of the Com'h.

ROBERT ROBERTSON is about 24 or 25 years old, dark skin, thick, square built, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high. He will probably attempt to get to the West, where he has many relations.
oc 18—sw3w

OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER, RICHMOND, Oct. 17, 1859.

PROPOSALS will be received at this Office, until 12 o'clock, M., SATURDAY next, the 22d inst., for building a BRICK CULVERT, with the necessary entrances and connections, from a point on 5th street North of Clay, to Leigh street, thence up Leigh street to 4th street, thence down 4th street to the stack in the gulley, North of Jackson street.

Proposals will also be received at the same time and place, for building a STONE CULVERT on Main street, from the arch over Shockoe Creek to the East side of 17th street. Plans and specifications of the above work can be seen, and all necessary information obtained, on application at this office. [oc 18—td] W. GILL, City Eng'r.

150 HHDS. prime bright Western BACON SIDES.
75 hhds prime bright Western SHOULDERS.
40 trs prime Sugar-cured FAMILY HAMS.
60 packages No. 1 LEAF LARD.
75 kegs choice GOSHEN BUTTER.
80 bbls old WHISKEY.
500 boxes ADAMANTINE CANDLES.
700 boxes TALLOW
1200 boxes Brown and Pale SOAP.
300,000 selected HAVANA CIGARS, our own importation, for sale by
oc 18—3t CHAS. T. WORTHAM & CO.

SLATE ROOFING.
JOHN G. McMILLAN,
Who has had twenty-five years' experience in the business, is prepared to put on SLATE ROOFS of every description, and with the best materials, at short notice. Specimens of his work can be seen on application, and orders left at his office, on Main street, near 9th, or at the office of ALBERT L. WEST, Architect, Goddin's Hall, will be promptly attended to. oc 18—5w*

DRY GOODS.—The cheapest CARPETS, CARPETS, CARPETS, you can find is at JOSEPH STRAUSE'S, No. 27 Main street.
CARPETS at 1 shilling, worth 25 cents; 4-4 Venetian CARPETS, at 18¾cts., 4-4 heavy, rich quality at 25 cts.
Extra heavy Ingrain, double chain and wool filling, at 37½ cts., worth double the money.
Extra super quality, all woolen, at 50 cts., selling at other places at 75 cts.
Large lot of fast-colored Calicoes at 6 cts., beautiful.
Muslin de Laines at 12½ cts., cheap at 18.
The handsomest patterns of Dresses for 25 cts., &c., &c.
Rich patterns Valencia at 12½ cts., and higher prices; Black Silks at 50 cts., worth 75; Merinos, all colors, at 20 cts., to $1; Flannel from 18c. all woolen at 25cts.; Ladies' Handkerchiefs at 5 cts., &c.; Bleached Shirting and Sheeting at all prices; heavy Brown Domestic Osnaburgs; Kentucky Jeans for Boys; Sheep's Grey for servants, at the lowest prices; Bed Ticking; Irish Linen, extra fine at 37½ and 50 cts.; large stock of Stella Shawls; Raglans and Cloth Cloaks, at prices that will please everybody; Fine Bed and Servant Blankets; Hosiery, Gloves, &c.; the finest Cambric Bands and Collars, ever offered in this city. All I ask is a call from everybody in want of any of these Goods. Call soon before the Goods are gone. JOS. STRAUSE,
No. 27 Main street.

BUTTER, BUTTER, BUTTER.—Just received, a prime lot of Orange County, Western superior; Fine Apple Cheese; prime, new Hams, at 12½ cents; Leaf Lard, white and nice.
BROOKE PLEASANTS, Agent,
No. 3 Main st., cor. 17th.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Pure Reading Lager.
LAUER'S OLD STOCK LAGER.
TO MY CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS.
Thankful for your past favors, and with the determination to deserve your patronage, by furnishing the purest and best Lager Beer to be found in the country, I respectfully solicit your encouragement during the ensuing winter season.
With the last of this month my stock of summer Lager will be exhausted, after which, with Lauer's WINTER BEER, of a superior kind, I shall be prepared to furnish families and invalids with a pure article, fresh from the barrel, and to serve my customers and friends, as usual, in my quiet and retired Saloon on 4th, between Marshall and Broad streets. [oc 18—1w] J. G. LANGE.

Book-Keeper and Accountant.
JOHN WILLIAMS offers his services to keep sets of Books regularly and neatly, and to examine, write up, settle and adjust accounts.
He has had a long experience in Book-keeping, and has testimonials from men of the first standing in Richmond.
Application may be made to JOHN L. WILLIAMS, at the office of Messrs. JOHN A. LANCASTER & SON. oc 18—2m

Why Will ye Suffer?—"The eye hath not seen, the ear hath not heard of" a better or more popular tonic than that known as BAKER'S PREMIUM BITTERS. Many are the sufferers from Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Heartburn and Nervous Headache. To such we advise the use of these BITTERS.
Numerous are the recommendatory certificates to Mr. BAKER, richly complimentary of the virtues of his celebrated medicine.
The price at which these BITTERS is sold, puts it in the power of all classes to reap the benefits of their virtues.
Cases of Dyspepsia of twenty years' standing have been cured by the use of them in a few weeks. Don't fail to try them.
They can be had of all the prominent Druggists in the city of Richmond and elsewhere in Virginia.

Special Notice.—The attention of the public is requested to the sale of the stock of SCIENTIFIC, THEOLOGICAL, and POETICAL WORKS, slightly damaged at Woodhouse & Co's, to take place THIS MORNING at 10 o'clock, and THIS EVENING at 7 o'clock, at the store on 14th street, under Exchange Hotel. Catalogues are now ready. [oc 18—1t] E. B. COOK, Auct'r.

Special Notice.—The attention of the public is respectfully asked to the large sale of HOUSEKEEPING and FANCY GOODS, which will take place at my store THIS MORNING, at 10 o'clock. Catalogues now ready.
oc 18—1t E. B. COOK, Auct.

Sons of Malta.—Assemble in your LODGE, THIS EVENING, at the usual hour. LET EVERY MEMBER ATTEND, as the business is of an important nature. By order of the G. C.
oc 18—1t 1285, SECRETARY.

Hodges & Co.'s Portable Bed and GUAGE TENONING MACHINE will be exhibited at the Mechanics' and Agricultural Fairs.
Hardware and other dealers visiting the Fairs held in this city, would do well to secure the Agency of HODGES & CO.'S TENONING MACHINE. Orders left at SMITH & HARWOOD'S, Wholesale and Retail Agents, or with HODGES & CO., will meet with proper attention.
The Machines are in use, and recommended by some of the best mechanics in