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WANTED, 100 COLORED WOMEN to work in North on general housework for private families. Wages, $12 to $15 per month. Apply to
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WANTED, EVERYBODY TO KNOW that the celebrated French scourer, No. 6 Ninth street, will SCOUR PANTS for 50c. per pair, and shirts will SCOUR for $2 in the very best manner.
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WANTED, PURCHASERS FOR CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, and WAGONS. I have now an extension top FAMILY HACK, two sets of GOOD HARNESS, one DOCTOR'S BUGGY, two PONY PHAETONS, several SPRING WAGONS, now in second-hand Work Shop, and ready to be sold cheap to close out stock.
W. C. SMITH,
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WANTED, AS BOARDERS, TWO SMALL FAMILIES or half a dozen SINGLE MEN or LADIES, at Hanover Court House, on the railroad, one hour's ride from the city. Terms very reasonable.
W. H. CHRISTIAN, Hanover Court-House.
jy 15-3t
WILLIAMS, Richmond.

WOOL WANTED.—We desire to buy all wool we can get, and will pay the highest CASH price for it. We also have for sale, by shipping it to us, a few bales of Hoyt's WHITE-OAK-TANNED LEATHER, which we will sell at manufacturers' prices.
POWERS, BLAIR & CO.,
jy 15-3t No. 12 Pearl street.

WANTED, SUMAC.—I am paying the highest market price in cash for SUMAC, delivered at the Sumac and Bark Mills, Fourteenth street and canal; at Manchester Railroad depot or landing. Office Fourteenth street and canal. Post-office box 2.
JOHN P. HULST.
jy 15-3t

WANTED, EVERY ONE TO KNOW that S. A. WINSTOCK, No. 17 Fourteenth street, LENDS MONEY to any amount, for any time, at REASONABLE rates, on diamonds and watches, silverware, good jewelry, &c. &c. Furniture pledges always on hand and for sale at low prices.
je 17-1m

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT OR FOR SALE PRIVATELY, the large BRICK RESIDENCE, No. 213 Main street, with twelve rooms, gas, water, with three rooms; with all the modern conveniences. Everything is in nice order. Apply to
GRUBBS & WILLIAMS.

FOR RENT, NICE NEW HOUSE, with three rooms, on Laurel street between Leigh and Albemarle streets.
GRUBBS & WILLIAMS.

FOR RENT, comfortable and commodious NEW DWELLING on Laurel street, near Leigh street, with eight or nine rooms.
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FOR RENT, LEASE, OR SALE, a very valuable FARM of about FIFTY ACRES on William road, about three and a half miles from the city; a few acres in woods, balance in a high state of cultivation; some of it fine. It has a DWELLING with seven rooms, OUTBUILDINGS of all kinds, including STABLE, ORCHARD of about 3,000 fruit-bearing trees in their prime—all selected fruits of the best varieties (apples, peaches, pears, cherries and dwarf), apricots, cherries, plums, &c.; also a small fruit, extensive asparagus-beds, &c.
The undersigned hand stands as one of the best market places in the vicinity for a profitable truck farm. Immediate possession can be had, and if desired the whole stock of cattle, and farming implements will be sold at a bargain.
GRUBBS & WILLIAMS,
jy 13 Auctioneers.

FOR RENT, the SMALL BRICK COTTAGE on the northwest corner of Leigh and Tenth streets, containing four rooms, large lot attached. Rent $15 per month. Apply to
JOHN T. GOODIN, Real Estate Agent,
jy 13-3t Bank and Eleventh streets.

FOR RENT, the very desirable RESIDENCE, No. 615 Sixth street, beyond the Exchange, and occupied by Miss Kate R. Carter. It contains six large and two small rooms, with kitchen in the yard.
WILLIAMS & GIBSON,
Real Estate Agents, Auctioneers,
jy 13-3t and Stock Brokers.

FOR RENT, THE VERY DESIRABLE RESIDENCE on the corner of Marshall and Jackson streets, containing nine rooms; kitchen, and two necessary out houses—all in good order. Apply
JAMES C. JOHNSON,
jy 13-3t 1500 Franklin street.

FOR RENT, one NEW HOUSE, No. 2612 P street; eight rooms, closets, cistern and well of water; kitchen, wood-shed—all in good repair. Price, $20 per month.
Two TENEMENTS, Nos. 2610 and 2614 P street; four rooms each, closets, cistern, and well of water; kitchens, wood houses, &c. Price $10 and $12 per month.
Those wishing homes, and wish to pay their rent, please call upon me, No. 912 Twenty-seventh street.
jy 13-3t SAMUEL H. JONES.

FOR RENT, the desirable RESIDENCE, No. 115 west Main street. It contains twelve rooms; ample accommodations for servants; carriage-house, and stable. Apply to
GODDIN, WARREN & CO.,
jy 13-3t Real Estate Agents,
1106 Main street.

FOR RENT OR LEASE, the late residence of William Rutherfoord, deceased, at the southwest corner of Grace and Fourth streets. It is undergoing thorough repair and improvement, and when completed will be one of the most desirable residences in the city. Special attention to secure on a rental a private residence.
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jy 13-3t Real Estate Agents.

FOR RENT, the small DWELLING on Jackson street, between First and Second streets, with three rooms and kitchen. Apply
jy 13-3t GRUBBS & WILLIAMS.

FOR RENT.—The FIRST FLOOR in the store No. 1400 Main street corner Fourteenth street. Suitable for job printing or manufacturing business.
S. A. MYERS,
jy 13-1w 1400 Main street.

FOR RENT AND SALE PRIVATELY.—My DWELLING, 207 west Grace street, for rent and furniture for sale; also, a fine pair horses and carriage, and two or three beautiful building lots near Monroe Park, on Grove avenue. Terms to suit.
All persons indebted to me will please call and settle.
A. D. CHOCKLEY,
jy 13-1m Office, 27 Thirteenth street.

FOR RENT, the STORE No. 1204 Main street, recently occupied by us.
NOAH WALKER & CO.,
jy 3-1m 1117 Main street.

FOR RENT, the commodious WAREHOUSE in Commercial Block, on Cary street, now in the occupancy of Messrs Thomas Branch & Co. Possession given immediately. Apply at the National Bank of Virginia. jy 1-1m

HAIRWORK, &c.

NO MONOPOLY, NO EXTORTION, AND NO OTHER HUMBUG.—WILLIAM WILDE, Sr., 327 BROAD STREET 327—ESTABLISHED IN 1854—DEALER AND MANUFACTURER OF HUMAN HAIRWORK.—The attention of the ladies is called to the facts: That I sell cheaper as cheap as they are sold at any other place; that through my long experience in the business and all the new advantages for working up combings I am able to satisfy my customers; that Hair Jewelry is only made by me in this city; that all work in my line will be done at short notice and in a workmanlike manner.
je 23-1m

FERTILIZERS.

FOR ALL SPRING CROPS.
SOLUBLE PACIFIC GUANO,
"STAR BRAND" FLOUR OF RAW-BONE,
"STAR BRAND"
COMPLETE TOBACCO MANURE.
We recommend these STANDARD FERTILIZERS for TOBACCO, COTTON, CORN, and VEGETABLES, also for PLANT-BEDS.
Circulars containing further information mailed to all applicants free.
ALLISON & ADDISON,
jy 13 No 1320 and 1322 Cary street.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

"THE RESTAURANT,"
No. 15 SOUTH GOVERNOR STREET.
The proprietor invites his regular customers to a FREE LUNCH every day from 12 to 1 o'clock. The choicest LIQUORS and CIGARS, from the well-known importing house of O. Cranz, kept at this bar. MEALS at all hours. And a No. 1 DINNER at 50 cents from 1 to 4 o'clock.
G. F. GERHARDT,
jy 17-1t* Proprietor.

WINES AND LIQUORS ON HAND and for sale:
25 hogsheads CLARET—St. Julien and Pauillac;
100 cases CLARET—St. Julien and St. Estephe;
200 cases CLARET—La Rose, Leoville, Margaux, Lafite, Chateau Lafite and Margaux, &c., &c.;
50 cases Haut Saternes and Chat Yquem;
5 hogsheads HOCK—Laubenheimer;
200 cases HOCK—Laubenheimer, Niersteiner, Hochheimer, Schloss Johannisberg, Brauneberg, &c., &c.;
150 cases CHAMPAGNE—Verzenay, Napoleon, Prem. Serre, Mumm's, Heidsieck, &c.;
30 casks SHERRY—in bond or duty paid;
10 casks and 50 cases PORT WINE;
40 casks and 50 cases James Hennessey BRANDY, in bond or duty paid.
Madeira, Malaga, Rum, Gin, Porter, Ale, Ginger Ale, &c., &c.
OSCAR CRANZ,
jy 13-1w No. 14 Governor street.

MARSEILLES QUILTS at $3.50 worth $5;
MARSEILLES QUILTS at $4 worth $6;
Nice WHITE QUILTS at $1.25, $1.75, $2, and $2 50, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

FANS WILL BE SOLD CHEAP.
FAN-CHAINS at 25c., some of which were sold a short time ago at 75c.;
Bargains in JET and GILT JEWELRY, SLEEVE COLLAR BUTTONS, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

COLORED CLUNY LACE at 10c. per yard worth 25c.;
GUIPURE, VALENCIENNES, YAK, SAXONY, SMYRNA, and PILLOW-CASE LACES at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

THE LARGEST STOCK OF DRESS GOODS in this city is now being sacrificed at
[jy 11] LEVY BROTHERS'.

ALL KINDS OF DRY GOODS cheap at
[jy 11] LEVY BROTHERS'.

SAVE MONEY WHEN YOU CAN. Buy your DRY GOODS of
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS.

HAIR SWITCHES in all colors, from $1 up to $10 apiece, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

LADIES' NECK SCARFS in great variety, all very cheap, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

WHITE SILK HANDKERCHIEFS at
[jy 11] LEVY BROTHERS'.

GREAT CLOSING-OUT SALE of DRESS GOODS at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

SEWING-MACHINE OIL 15 cents a bottle;
SEWING-MACHINE NEEDLES at 40 and 50 cents for a paper of ten;
CLARK'S and COATS'S SPOOL COTTON at 70 cents per dozen, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

BED-TICK from 10 cents up to 30 cents per yard, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

CHEVIOT SHIRTING at 20 cents per yard, worth 35 cents, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

THE PLACE TO BUY YOUR DRY GOODS is at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

BEADED GIMPS AND FRINGES, BUTTONS, and other dress trimmings in great variety at
[jy 11] LEVY BROTHERS'.

LUNCH-BASKETS, SATCHELS, SHAWL-STRAPS, TRUNKS, and VALISES, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

MORE DRY GOODS FOR THE money at LEVY BROTHERS' than at any other establishment in this city. jy 11

FRUIT-OF-THE-LOOM COTTON AT 14c.;
WAMSUTTA COTTON at 18c.;
NEW YORK MILLS COTTON at 18c.;
The best 10c. and 12½c. COTTON in the city;
PILLOW-CASE COTTON, 15c.;
FULL-WIDTH SHEETING at 28c. per yard at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

PARASOLS LINED WITH SILK can be had at $1.25 at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

BLACK SILKS CHEAPER THAN ever at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

VICTORIA LAWNS, SWISS CAMBRIC, and NAINSOOK MUSLINS, in all qualities, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

STRIPED SILKS, in great variety; also a large stock of COLORED SILKS, all to be sold cheap, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

LADIES' SUITS, POLONAISES, and UNDER-GARMENTS, in great variety, at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

LINEN DRILLINGS, LINEN DUCK, COTTONADE TWEEDS, JEANS, CLOTHS, and CASSIMERES are now to offer at great bargains at
jy 11 LEVY BROTHERS'.

MALTHOPTONIQUE.
We have just received another and full supply of BURTON'S ENGLISH EXTRACT of MALT and HOPS, which has been so favorably prescribed by our best physicians as a tonic in general debility, wakefulness, nervousness, &c.
MEADE & BAKER,
Dispensing Pharmacists,
ap 11 919 Main street.

FRAUD LOVES A SHINING MARK.—A great medicine is always a target for fraud. Shallow cheats, without the talent to originate anything useful, or the decency to permit an article of superior excellence to perform its mission, without striving to turn a dishonest penny by attempting to substitute trash in its place, are now engaged in imitating and counterfeiting HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS, the most popular tonic and restorative in the civilized world. A brood of local bitters, mixtures of damaged drugs, with worse liquor, has cropped out all over the country. Although the sales of these pernicious slops are too insignificant to affect the interests of a staple remedy, it seems a duty to warn the people against them. The color of the true specific may be simulated, but its cures of dyspepsia, liver complaint, rheumatism, intermittent fever, constipation, nervous debility, &c., cannot be imitated.
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PIANOS, ORGANS, &c.

CABINET ORGANS.
Desiring to offer only superior instruments the subscribers announce that they are prepared to furnish the
BURDETT ORGAN,
FOR CHURCH, PARLOR, SCHOOL, OR LODGE.
They embrace all real improvements made in this popular instrument, and the performer will find that the sweetest and softest tones, with the grand and sublime, can be brought out in all their beauty. Call and see them.
WOODHOUSE & PARHAM,
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Richmond Dispatch.

THE CIRCULATION OF THE DISPATCH IS LARGER THAN THE COMBINED CIRCULATION OF ALL THE OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPERS OF THE CITY.

FRIDAY.....JULY 17, 1874

LOCAL MATTERS.

THE WEATHER TO-DAY.—*From our reports this morning the probabilities are that the weather to-day will be clear with light rains.*

ESCAPE OF A WHITE FEMALE CONVICT IN MALE ATTIRE.—About 1 o'clock yesterday morning Jennie Beattie *alias* Irish Jennie, a white woman, who was sent to the penitentiary from Norfolk to serve out a term of seven years for murder in the second degree, made good her escape. Owing to the crowded condition of the buildings of the penitentiary proper, the female convicts have to be kept in two frame houses outside the prison walls. These houses were not constructed for the purposes to which they are now applied, and their windows are barred only by narrow strips of plank nailed to the window-frames. An ordinary close fence, sixteen or seventeen feet high, surrounds the houses, and gives what little security there is to this department.

Jennie came to the institution in 1870, having deliberately killed a woman in Norfolk by shooting her with a pistol. On account of her quarrelsome temper she was confined in a cell to herself, and, as it now turns out, occupied her spare moments in making a suit of male attire out of her bed-blankets. This she put on in place of her striped garments, and with an old hinge easily prized one of the wooden bars from her window, which was on the second floor. Then tying a bed-quilt to another bar, she without trouble let herself out and lowered herself into the yard.

The guard on duty at that hour was out of sight of her movements, and she went to a corner of the fence, where she was sheltered from observation when he made his rounds, and with a trowel made an excavation under the fence large enough to admit her body. Through this hole she crawled from the yard directly into Belvidere street. A gentleman who lives in that immediate neighborhood is confident he heard the sound of carriage wheels on that street about the time the escape was made. It is conjectured, therefore, that Jennie had some gallant knight awaiting her arrival outside, and that he had a carriage or some other vehicle ready to transport her to a place of safety. She is quite good-looking, is now about twenty-two years of age, and had served out four years of her term of sentence when she so unceremoniously and ungraciously took leave of Superintendent Strother and his assistants.

In November, 1872, Mr. William E. Tanner, then president of the Board of Directors of the Penitentiary, in a report addressed to Governor Walker, called his attention to the condition of the female department, and recommended that a new brick building be erected for "the additional security of these prisoners against escape and fire." The report was transmitted by the Governor to the General Assembly, but was never acted upon favorably.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE IN MANCHESTER.—The teachers of Manchester and many of those of Chesterfield held an institute at the Baptist church in Manchester yesterday. The occasion was made most agreeable and profitable by the instructive addresses of School Superintendents B. A. Hancock, of Chesterfield; J. J. Ladd, of Staunton; J. H. Binford, of Richmond, and Professor H. H. Smith, of Shelbyville, Tenn.

At the afternoon session, after Professor Hancock had delivered the opening address, Professor Ladd presented a luminous explanation of the objects and management of Teachers' Institutes.

He was followed by Superintendent Binford, who is entirely familiar with all matters relating to the teacher's art, in valuable suggestions as to the best mode of teaching a child to read. This closed the afternoon session of the institute.

At night addresses were made by Professor Smith on "Methods of Teaching" and Professor Ladd on "The School Teachers' Calling;" and Mr. Binford continued the subject he had commenced in the afternoon.

The Institute will assemble again to-day, and the following topics will be treated in a manner doubtless highly interesting to those who may chose to attend: At 9:30 A. M., "How to Teach Grammar to Beginners," by Professor Ladd; at 10:30, "How to Teach Reading and Spelling," by Mr. Binford; at 11:30, "Truancy and Tardiness, how Remedied," by Professor Smith; at 12:30, "The Qualifications of a Teacher," by Professor Ladd; at 1:30 P. M., "Early Instruction in Arithmetic," by Mr. Binford. Upon the conclusion of this address there will be a recess until 7:30 P. M., when addresses will be delivered by Messrs. Clopton, Brooks, and Walker.

Professor Ladd will close with his views upon "Normal Instruction the Need of the State."

IRON MOULDERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION.—The Iron Moulders' International Union yesterday resolved to hold their next convention at Cleveland, Ohio, on the first Wednesday after the 4th of July, 1876, and agreed to adjourn *sine die* at 1 o'clock to-day.

A resolution was passed tendering the thanks of the Convention to Governor Kemper for his kindness to the members, to which was added by the officers transmitting it, a fervent wish that the mingling together of representatives of all sections might create the ties of union and friendship so necessary to the success of the nation.

The members of the International Union seem to be well pleased with Richmond and with their reception by our people. Owing to the condition of the Richmond Union, whose members have suffered as much as any other portion of the community from the effects of the panic, they have not been as sumptuously entertained as they would have been under more favorable circumstances, but nevertheless their brethren here have left in their minds no doubts concerning their hospitality and good will. The members of the Union are all practical moulders, regularly engaged at the trade. The session of their body has been marked by dignity and intelligence, and their deliberations will doubtless result in much good to the Order.

A FLANK MOVEMENT ON THE POLICE.—Since the police authorities interdicted boys bathing in the canal within the corporate limits the rising generation resident in the southern portion of the city have felt much aggrieved, and they have more than once taken counsel together as to the situation. They have now decided how to act. They will not be deprived of the privilege of bathing in the canal, but they will make their amusement unobjectionable to the public by donning bathing suits. Yesterday evening two of these enterprising youths, in extemporized bathing costumes, made their appearance in the canal between Seventh and Eighth streets. They disported themselves in the water for a good while, much to their own satisfaction and delight and to the divertisement of at least a hundred spectators. Thus this grave question appears to have met with a solution acceptable to all concerned.

A WELCOME SHOWER.—A fine shower of rain fell between half-past four and half-past five o'clock yesterday evening. The day had been up to that time very hot and sultry, but it made the atmosphere much cooler, and no doubt was quite acceptable to farmers and gardeners of this section, who have now had about enough rain for present uses.

THE CITY GAS-WORKS.—Yesterday afternoon the City Gas-Works were visited and inspected for the first time by the new Council Committee on Light, and they will hereafter have the general management of the affairs of this department of the city government. The committee was represented by Messrs. John M. Higgins (chairman), George L. Christian, W. H. Scott, M. L. Straus, D. N. Walker, L. Wagner, and W. P. M. Kellam, but there were several invited guests in the party. Among them may be mentioned Mr. McCarthy, of the Inspector's Department; Mr. August, sergeant-at-arms of the City Council; Mr. John H. Knowles, superintendent of the Works, and others.

The gentlemen who composed the inspecting party met at the upper works about 5 o'clock, and after having been shown through the establishment by Mr. Mahoney, the foreman, proceeded in carriages to the lower works, where they were received by Mr. Adams, foreman and clerk, to whom is entrusted the very responsible duty of managing and directing the hands, as well as performing the clerical duty incident to his position.

Having visited the various departments there the committee returned to the office within the enclosure, where they expressed themselves as being delighted with all they had seen. And well they might have been, for everything was found to be in the most beautiful working order and the grounds and buildings as neat and clean as a new penny. We have already mentioned in the *Dispatch* the improvements which have been recently made at the Gas-Works, and need only say this morning that no city in the Union, all things considered, can boast of a better managed gas department or a more efficient corps of officers to conduct it than Richmond.

It will be remembered that several members of the Committee on Light visited West Virginia last fall with a view of making some inquiries in regard to the price of coal, the cost of bringing it to Richmond, and whether it would be an advantageous arrangement for the city to purchase and use the coal from that section for gas purposes. When the committee returned to Richmond they brought several car-loads of cannel and other coal which was presented to the committee, in order that its value and illuminating power might be tested.

The coal presented to the city, together with other specimens from the vicinity of Richmond, have been thoroughly tested at the works with the following result:

KIND OF COAL.	No. lbs. used.	Yield per pound. Cubic ft.	Yield per ton. Cubic ft.	Candle power.
Coal Valley	40.810	4.11	9.206	14.50
Gordon & Seal	25.900	4.06	9.094	15.50
W. C. Robinson	25.690	4.05	9.072	13.90
Coalburg	25.000	3.78	8.467	13.80
Cannelton	24.000	3.97	8.892	13.90
Hampton City	20.840	4.10	9.184	14.90
Clover Hill	25.650	4.00	8.960	13.90
Marks	26.750	3.98	8.915	13 80
Old Dominion	27.810	3.80	8.512	13.80

The following is the amount of coal received from Clover Railroad Company, Robert Marks, and Old Dominion Coal Company, from 1st February to 1st July, 1874: Clover Hill Railroad Company, 2.392 (2,140) tons at $5.50 per ton, $13,161.25; Robert Marks, 516 (260) tons at $5.50, $2,838.63; Old Dominion Coal Company, 597 (1,100) tons at $5, $2,987.45. The works paid last year for Clover Hill Coal $6 per ton, for Marks coal $6.25 per ton, and for Midlothian, which is the same quality of coal as the Old Dominion, $6.25 per ton.

The committee have on hand at this time a sufficient quantity of coal (paid for) to last until the 1st of October, and have contracted for a supply for the balance of the year. The quality of the gas is excellent, and we may fairly expect that it will not deteriorate during the coming winter.

The auditor's books show that for the past five months the expenses of the gas-works have been less by about $1,434.57 than for the corresponding time last year, but the receipts have been less owing to the fact that the Church Hill tunnel is not now lighted by gas.

In this connection we give the following figures to show what the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company paid to the city for gas consumed in the Church Hill tunnel from April, 1873, to February, 1874: April, $74.39; May, $858.60; June, $919.50; July, $775.50; August, $780.60; September, $582.60; October, $522; November, $252; December, $91.80; January, $58.50; February, $55 20. Gross, $4,970.69. Discount, $248.53. Net, $4,722.16.

But, enough of the Gas-Works. When the Committee had completed their inspection, Dr. W. H. Scott, of Jefferson Ward, was unanimously elected chairman to fill Mr. Higgins's place while he is absent in Europe. He will sail on Saturday week, and will be absent about two months. The party then left the Works, and, by invitation of Mr. Higgins, visited his delightful residence, on Nineteenth street, where they were most hospitably and cordially entertained, the lady members of his family joining in, making the visit most agreeable and one long to be remembered by all who were present.

ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GRAND GROVE OF DRUIDS.—The Grand Grove of Virginia United Ancient Order of Druids, closed its annual session at Odd Fellows' Hall evening before last. A large amount of business was transacted of interest to the Order, most prominent of which was the recommendation of an endowment plan to the Grand Grove of the United States, which meets in Albany in August next.

The following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: P. N. G. A., Dr. James H. Patton; N. G. A., A. Poblig; D. G. A., H. Burkhardt; Grand Secretary, John B. Vaughan; Grand Treasurer, Thomas Rudd; Grand Marshal, R. Haltzback; Grand Representative to the Grand Grove of the United States, C. W. Volkman. The reports of the Grand Officers show the Order to be in a more flourishing condition than it has been since the war; with an encouraging prospect for the future.

NARROW ESCAPE.—During the heavy rain yesterday afternoon Shockoe creek became considerably swollen, and two youths, who were playing in the creek near where Broad street crosses it, accidentally slipped into the water, and were carried down towards the river by the tremendous current. Their perilous situation was discovered, however, and they were rescued somewhere near Franklin street. A very large crowd of persons was attracted to the scene of danger.

THE EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON.—Several hundred citizens, including a number of ladies and children, left the city yesterday morning on a flying visit to Washington and Baltimore. The excursionists returned last night at 10:30. The excursion would seem to very popular, although the accommodations were inadequate for the large number who desired to go.

THE ALARM OF FIRE turned in at box No. 4, Third police-station, about 11 o'clock last night, was caused by the overturning or explosion of a kerosene-oil lamp in Mr. Pulliam's house, at the corner of Clay and Monroe streets. No damage.

ARM BROKEN.—On Wednesday afternoon a little daughter of Mr. The. Gibson, who resides on Union Hill, while playing with a number of other little girls, fell and fractured her right arm between the wrist and the elbow. Dr. Bryant was called in and rendered the necessary medical assistance.

SCHEUTZEN VEREIN.—The regular shooting exercises of the Scheutzen Verein commenced yesterday at 4 o'clock P. M., at the James River Park.

RANGE OF THERMOMETER in the *Dispatch* counting-room Thursday, July 16th:

8 A. M.	3 P. M.	6 P. M.
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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH.—Mr. Samuel H. Pulliam, of Monroe Ward, has been elected chairman of the Joint Committee on Health.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, YESTERDAY.—*Judge Ro. W. Hughes, presiding.*—In the matter of R. H. Moss & Brother, bankrupts: Order made confirming sale of bankrupts' property to W. P. Webb, and directing them to deliver the same to him. All other questions reserved.

In the matter of W. H. Judkins, bankrupt: Order directing the assignee, after paying his attorney $50 and the officers of the court their costs, to exempt to the bankrupt the entire property surrendered by him.

In the matter of T. D. Jeffress, bankrupt: Upon petition of the assignees an order was made authorizing them to sell the choses in action surrendered by the bankrupt, at public or private sale, as they conceive to be to the best interest of the estate. The sales at auction to be made at the court-houses in counties where majority of debtors live.

In the matter of Isaac Overby, bankrupt: Order directing Isaac J. Overby to pay the assignee $432.66 and interest in settlement of his indebtedness.

In the matter of Elizabeth Powell, alleged bankrupt: Common order.

In the matter of George Tyler, bankrupt: Decree.

In the matter of John A. Walker, bankrupt: Sale of the bankrupt's land on the 21st day of December, 1872, set aside, and assignee directed to resell the same under present rules of court.

E. M. Garnett, assignee of Engel & Son, vs. S. Lisberger and *als.*: A motion for rehearing not having been decided, the petitioners waived their appeal from the order entered on the 16th of June, 1874.

John James Lark, a native of England, took out his final naturalization papers.

POLICE COURT, THURSDAY—*Justice J. J. White presiding.*—Fines were imposed as follows: Peter Newby (negro), charged with assaulting Angeline Tyndall (negro) with an axe, was fined $2.50; James Granger, $2.50 for an assault upon Thomas Sager (negro); William Butler (negro), for threatening to shoot Julia Johnson (negro), $2 50; William Hanford (negro), for beating John West, a small white boy, $5; B. P. Owen, for obstructing the sidewalk on Twelfth street between Canal and Byrd streets with lumber, $2.

William Langford, guilty of using vulgar language in the street, was sent to jail for thirty days.

Josiah Jackson, a negro vagrant from Ashland, was ordered to leave the city at once.

Henry Ragland (negro) was placed under bonds to keep the peace for twelve months and to keep away from the premises of George Fisher (negro).

James Murphy, a vagrant, was committed for sixty days.

PERSONAL.—Hon. R. A. Coghill, of Amherst, and Captain John A. McCaull, of Roanoke, are at the Exchange.

J. M. Hudgins, Esq., member of the House of Delegates from Caroline county, is in the city.

SAMPLE MERCHANT ARRESTED.—Yesterday the police arrested F. Wolf, a sample merchant, upon the charge of violating the State revenue laws by selling goods without license. He was bailed to appear before the Police Justice this morning.

UNMAILABLE LETTERS REMAINING IN THE RICHMOND POST-OFFICE JULY 16, 1874.—Mr. J. A. Belvin, Eighth near Marshall street, Richmond, Va.; Kipps Linkons; Charles C. Tompkins, 484 Pennsylvania avenue, Washington city, D. C.; R. N., Richmond post-office, Va.

THE August numbers of *Demorest's Fashion Book, Peterson's Magazine, Frank Leslie's Lady's Magazine*, and *Harper's Weekly*, from J. T. Ellyson, 1112 Main street, are to hand.

STATE TREASURY.—The balance in the State Treasury yesterday was $327,835.25.

The Capitol Square, Again.

To the Editors of the Dispatch:

I have read the suggestion of your correspondent in regard to "sprinkling the main avenues of Capitol Square," and endorse every word that he has said. Will you not say something in your valuable paper in commendation of his scheme? If the Superintendent of Public Buildings, or the proper officer, will order the avenues to be watered every afternoon, he will receive the thanks of hundreds of our citizens.

MANCHESTER NEWS.

THE PRIMARY MEETINGS.—Superintendent Hancock has decided, in order to give perfect satisfaction, that the election of delegates to the convention for county clerk shall be held by precincts, August 8th, as follows: Matoaca precinct, five; Ettricks, four; Winfree's, three; Midlothian, six; Clover Hill, six; Goode's store, three; Torrance's store, four; Hancock's, one; Old Court-house, four; Chester, two; Bermuda Hundreds, one—total, thirty-nine.

GRANGES ORGANIZED.—W. B. Westbrook, deputy, has organized the following new Granges: Skinquarter Grange—Alexander Sims, master; A. A. Rudd, secretary. River Grange—R. A. Willis, master; F. G. Ruffin, Jr., secretary. Otter Dale Grange—Dr. S. O. Markham, master; J. E. Laprade, secretary.

PERSONAL.—E. Morrisette, Esq., principal of the high school, and Professor Morrisette, of Culpeper Institute, have left for Norfolk to attend the State Educational Convention.

Joseph B. Vaden has been reelected weigh-master of the hay scales.

Constable Henry R. Gary was thrown from a buggy yesterday and badly bruised.

It was William not James Clayton whose arm was broken at the Danville car shops.

Captain W. L. Fernauld left yesterday for Petersburg.

Captain M. R. Lloyd, United States revenue service, and C. V. Meredith, Esq., of Richmond, were in the city yesterday.

MINOR TOPICS.—An adjourned session of the County Court commences to-day at 11 o'clock.

The clerk's office of the Hustings Court is at the Council chamber, in rear of the market.

Junius Ellett, charged with sheep-stealing, has been honorably acquitted.

The clerk's office of the County and Circuit Courts is at the county court-house.

The City Council meets to-night in the Council chamber.

The Convention to nominate county clerk meets at Chester August 15.

IMPORTANT MANCHESTER ITEM.—W. T. LITHGOW, Commissioner of the Revenue, Hull street opposite the court-house (up-stairs), is prepared to issue licenses, and all requiring them should call at once.

THE NEXT ELECTIONS.—The next elections will be of absorbing interest, but the next Grand Gift Concert of the Public Library of Kentucky will be of still more absorbing interest. $2,500,000 to be distributed in cash gifts will interest ticket-holders more intensely than ever the elections. The chance for 20,000 gifts, and among them such gifts as $250,000, $100,000, $75,000, $50,000, &c., is a more personal thing than ordinary election results. For tickets, apply to A. P. L'ECUYER, 909 Bank street, Richmond.

IT WILL be to your advantage to purchase your dry goods at LEVY BROTHERS'. They keep a large and well-selected stock at all times, and sell their goods at very low prices. Money can be saved by making your purchases of them.

BUY YOUR BLACK GRENADINES AT LEVY BROTHERS'. They have a large stock, and are selling them at closing-out prices.

LEVY BROTHERS' is the place to purchase your Dress Goods. They have a large stock, and are selling at prices to suit the times. Cost is not taken into consideration now. The main object is to close out the stock. They have also reduced the price of ready-made suits.

REMOVAL.—A. HARRIS's Loan Office (established in 1865) has been removed to 1322 Main street.

TRITONIA UVARIA.—A beautiful lot of these gorgeous flowers was left at our office yesterday by Mr. JOHN MORTON, florist. They were really superb specimens. Mr. MORTON has been very successful in his propagating gardens, and has furnished our citizens with many beautiful flowers and plants. His gardens (corner of Main and Reservoir streets), despite the extremely hot and dry weather of the past few weeks, are the admiration and delight of all who visit them.

WIDE-CHECK MUSLIN, just the articles for aprons, dressing-sacques, and wrappers. It is worth 50c. per yard, but LEVY BROTHERS sell it at 30c.

PHOTOGRAPHY.—We respectfully announce to the public generally that we have purchased the elegantly arranged Photographic Gallery formerly occupied by Mr. W. G. R. Frayser, and more recently by Messrs. M. J. Powers & Co., at No. 1011 Main street, opposite the post-office. The Gallery has had many valuable improvements added, and we feel confident, with our practical experience, we can promise perfect satisfaction to all who may favor us with their patronage.

Duplicates of negatives heretofore made at this establishment can be had at any time.

Our prices are reasonable.

Visitors are always welcome, whether they desire to sit for pictures or not.

F. S. LUMPKIN & CO.,
opposite the post-office.

SCARF SLIDES can now be had at LEVY BROTHERS at 10c.; nice fan chains at 25c.; also, bargains in jet jewelry.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—From this date E. B. SPENCE & SON will sell their summer stock at greatly reduced prices. Those in want of nice clothing at low prices are invited to give them a call. They still have a nice stock of linen and alpaca goods at very low prices.

FOUND AT LAST—The long sought-for place where you can get money loaned on your diamonds, watches, jewelry, silverware, &c. Call at A. HARRIS's Loan Office, 1322 Main street, and you will learn all about it. All transactions strictly confidential.

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

N. M. LEE, 6 P. M., commissioner's sale of the property known as the Wall-Street Hotel, on Fifteenth street between Main and Franklin.

LYNE & BROTHER, 6 P. M., the brick dwelling No. 29, south side of Jackson street near Adams street.

J. THOMPSON BROWN, 6½ P. M., commissioner's sale of house and lot on St. John street between Federal and Charity.

J. THOMPSON BROWN, 6 P. M., commissioner's sale of a lot, with two wooden tenements thereon, on the north side of Federal street between Second and St. Stephen.

W. GODDIN, 6 P. M., lot and stuccoed tenement thereon, on the east side of Second between Jackson and Duval.

COOK & LAUGHTON, 10 A. M., household furniture, &c.

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