Richmond Dispatch.

TUESDAY.....DECEMBER 22, 1874.

The Central Water-Line.

If the Federal Government properly appreciated this grand project it would not be long before it would be accomplished. In the light of politics, the powerful influence of such a thoroughfare upon the relations of the States of the Union to one another, and in promotion of the unity of our national commerce, it forces itself upon the public as one of the grandest measures ever proposed to the American people. The proposed line lies in the middle of that beneficent and magic belt of the globe which produces the greatest amount of the substantials of life and affords to man—at least, the superior race of men—the greatest degree of healthend vigor. Upon that line it is highly important that this country should have an artery of communication that would for the longest period of the year afford an efficient channel of trade; for then it would be the artery of the greatest amount of trade during the year, and thus be the most beneficent agent of distribution of the necessaries of life. To make such a line south of the location of the central line would be to encounter the disadvantages of climate, and climatic diseases, and climatic enervating influences. To make it north of this line would bring it disastrously under the effects of severe frost.

So the Central water-line is the just middle line of greatest advantage to commerce, and therefore the line that would do the most in the promotion of the views and objects of the statesman and philanthropist by the distribution of the means of subsistence with the greatest success.

If we look at the Union with a desire for its prolongation, to what agent can we look with greater hope than to a grand thoroughfare which shall bind together the western and eastern divisions of the Union, as it were, with an indestructible chain? The commerce of the East and of the West by such a line would be all sympathetic and mutually advantageous. That would govern the social relations and bind the Union together with almost inseparable cords. Already the Mississippi and the Atlantic unite the South with the North. Tie the East and the West together by this bond of the water-line, and the endurance of this Union will be secured for so long a time that there would be hardly a ground left to found a speculation upon concerning the end of it.

It is a national work of unlimited magnitude and value. Incidentally, Virginia would be one amongst its especial beneficiaries. She is one of the oldest of the States, and no other has sacrificed more for the peace and endurance of the Republic. But as her benefits would be due to her location and incidental, the advantage that would flow to her should not by any means provoke the hostility of the most illiberal. We know that if the Central water-line were built she would soon be able to pay her public debt; and all who know anything of Virginia know that nothing prevents her from paying her debt but inability to do so. The moment that the thrift that would follow this great Central water-line came to her she would prove to the world her integrity and good faith, and as a first mark of her grateful sense of her good fortune pay off the claims of those who hold her obligations. The building of the Central water-line would be the prompt solution of all her troubles.

To Be Smoked Out.

Mr. BECK's well-feathered and well directed arrow no doubt rankles in a vital part of Attorney-General WILLIAMS. Mr. BECK will not be allowed by the Republican party to get at the Attorney-General. The corruptions of the Department of Justice could not be exposed without great damage to the Republican party, and therefore it must be kept screened as long as Republicans have power to screen it. But Mr. BECK is permitted to enjoy the satisfaction of the hunter, whose game has only temporarily escaped, but must be finally captured. The concluding sentence of Mr. BECK's speech, as reported in the official record, is as follows:

"Again, I assert that the Department of Justice has used the army of the United States for the basest of purposes. The Attorney-General has sent his marshals and secret-service thieves at over the land—to Alabama, Louisiana, South Carolina, and elsewhere—for purposes of wrong and oppression. Hereafter, it is a department of *injustice* instead of a department of *justice*. When the proper time comes, if I can get an opportunity, I will make good all I have said about the Attorney-General and his Department. If I am denied the right here, the next House of Representatives will see to it."

The hare is in the hollow, but is informed that he will be smoked out. We suspect the information causes some quaking.

That poor old crazy man GERRIT SMITH is in a great rage, because Congress dont pass the civil-rights bill. He declares that if the Republican party had had the courage to pass the bill "such cowards and scoundrels as those in Indiana" who would not tolerate mixed black and white schools "would not have dared to do this dastardly." The amiable negrophilist is quite in the "cussing" mood. We almost envy the Indianians their share of the venerable Sambo's compliments. Now they are bestowed upon a large community in Indiana, and even upon the Supreme Court of that State. The fact is, white people in the North are so rapidly changing their opinions, and declaring against fraternization with the negro, that men like GERRIT SMITH will find no place suited to them short of Africa. Wouldn't it be well to colonize them in Liberia?

What effect GERRIT's wrath may have remains to be seen. He declares that unless the "fallen" Republican party "rises to its feet by passing very speedily this bill" (civil rights) "hell will break loose all over the land." On the other hand, it has been plainly shown to the Republican party that if they pass this bill "hell will break loose all over the land." What is the poor party to do in this dilemma?

Some one yesterday called our attention to the fact that one paper had stolen a paragraph from us and another had credited the stolen paragraph to the thief. We seldom or never notice such acts of discourtesy. We receive a paper daily that almost daily steals one or more items from the *Dispatch*. Our synopsis of Mr. HUNTER's currency scheme was copied by perhaps fifty of our exchanges, and not more than two or three of them credited it.

AMES's defence of the Vicksburg negroes throws all the blame on the white tax-payers, of course. But his own testimony proves that the negroes marched on Vicksburg with arms in their hands. And yet AMES wants Federal interference to prevent further anarchy and bloodshed. Would he force the negroes to another fight, in order to invite this interference?

Interest on Money.

There has been a movement in Congress with regard to the interest charged by national banks looking to some regulation by which the question of interest may be settled and the rate made the same in all the national banks. Congress can do the country a signal service by passing some measure with this view. Whatever it may be—whether six, or seven, or eight per cent. be fixed as the rate of interest, or the banks be left to make the terms with the borrowers—it will be well that the regulation shall prevail over the whole Union.

One great trouble about interest for the use of money is the conflicting rates authorized by the different States. They range from six to ten per cent. If Congress were to fix the rate for the national banks it would be at once fixed for the whole Union. The States could not successfully prescribe a different rate.

We have opposed a usury law (as the world understands it) because the whole effect of such a law is to tempt people to evade law, lose respect for public authority, and increase the hardships of the class of borrowers—diminishing their chances to borrow, and forcing them to pay enormous rates of interest. The lender who violates law must charge a premium for increased peril; and as very many capitalists will not violate law, the poor borrower is submitted to the mercies of a few who will.

But a general usury law would put the whole Union on an equal footing. Money would not be driven from one State to another by conflicting local laws, and a famine be produced here and excess there, to the vexation of people and the disturbance of commerce.

We hold that money is property, to be disposed of or not as the owner chooses, and to be held at whatever price he pleases to fix upon it. If a man chooses to pay what the owner asks he ought to have the right to do so. Both parties exercise a right that is accorded to men with regard to the selling and buying of all property, except that money in too many communities is put under restrictions alike unjust and injurious to the borrowers and the owners of money.

But, nevertheless, any regulation in this country would be the better for prevailing over the whole Union. It would save us from a number of causes of trouble and annoyance. We do trust that Congress will make some regulation with regard to the interest upon money in the national banks. That would settle the whole matter.

THE FINALE.—A telegram from New Orleans to the New York *Tribune* thus concludes:

"The mixed-school excitement has subsided. Nobody was hurt except A. E. Adams, the *Republican* reporter, who was cowhided for insulting some young ladies who called at the office."

If the Wheeling *Intelligencer* will call to mind the facts that the Federal Constitution fixes the qualifications of United States senators, and that no State can add to these qualifications, it will be able to see that Judge BRANNON is eligible to the United States Senate.

We are surprised that Hon. C. Y. THOMAS should have presided over a caucus that passed resolutions full of libels upon his State.

We return thanks to Rev. W. B. WELLONS for a copy of the "Annual of the Christian Church for 1874."

General Assembly of Virginia.

MONDAY, December 21, 1874.

SENATE.

Lieutenant-Governor WITHERS in the chair. No prayer.

A number of House bills were taken up and appropriately referred.

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

Mr. TAYLOR presented the following:

Whereas the Treasurer and Auditor, in response to a resolution adopted by the House of Delegates at its last session, have submitted to the General Assembly a bill on the subject of taxation, in which they propose to abolish the assessment of personal property, to establish a relative valuation between personal and real property; therefore

Resolved, That the Committee for Courts of Justice inquire and report whether in their judgment such law would be constitutional or not, and report at as early a day as practicable.

By Mr. HUNDLEY: A bill for the relief of J. B. Fleishman.

By the same: Petition of citizens of Farmville asking a new registration for that town.

By Mr. KIRKPATRICK: A resolution as to the expediency of protecting the fish in James river for the period of five years.

By the same: Resolution as to the expediency of repealing or amending an act approved February 17, 1874, for the relief of sheriffs in the service of civil process in other counties than in the one in which they reside.

PASSED.

The following bills were passed:

House bill with Senate amendments amending the Code in relation to injunction bonds.

House bill for the removal of weirs and hedges in Rappahannock creek.

House bill to authorize the trustees of Jerusalem Baptist church, in Richmond county, to sell and convey certain real estate.

House bill to establish a boundary line between the counties of Wythe and Grayson.

House bill to authorize the sale of certain church property at Columbia Furnace, in Shenandoah county.

TABLED.

House bill requiring the judges of the county courts of King William and Essex to submit the question of repealing the fence-law to the voters in the townships of said counties, with Senate amendments, was taken up, discussed, and finally laid on the table.

RECOMMITTED.

House bill to amend section 18 of chapter 52 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to bridges between counties, was taken up and discussed.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Nelson, the bill was referred to the Committee on County, City, and Town Organizations.

JURIES IN CRIMINAL CASES.

Senate bill to amend the Code in relation to juries in criminal cases came up upon its second reading, and was discussed at some length, and finally ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

ENGROSSED.

A number of Senate bills were taken up, read, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Senate bill to amend the Code in regard to the limitation of appeals was taken up and discussed.

Mr. PENN moved to indefinitely postpone the bill. Agreed to—ayes, 12; noes, 11.

On motion of Mr. RAGLAND, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

House met at 12 M.—Speaker HANGER in the chair. No prayer.

BILLS, &c., INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. MORRISON: Bill authorizing a personal representative of a decedent to pay for tombstones out of the assets of a decedent's estate.

By Mr. GAINES: Petition of members of the bar of Charlotte for a redivision of the judicial circuits of the State.

By Mr. GAINES: Petition of the members of the bar of Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, Greensville, and Brunswick counties for a new judicial circuit.

By Mr. MAGRUDER: Resolution as to the expediency of amending the law so as to reduce the present extravagant charges for publishing notices for taking accounts before commissioners in chancery.

By Mr. CRANK: Resolution as to the expediency of more effectually protecting the interests of married women in certain cases of deed of trust.

By Mr. WHARTON: Bill to amend the law in relation to internal improvements.

By Mr. DOOLEY: A bill to amend the charter of the "Little Sisters of the Poor," of Richmond.

REPORTED FAVORABLY.

House bill for the relief of John Carr, of Fauquier county; House joint resolution in relation to printing annual reports of the lunatic and deaf and dumb and blind asylums. And the following, reported adversely, was agreed to: Joint resolution as to the arrangement of cases upon the docket of the Supreme Court of Appeals.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

was granted to Messrs. J. A. CARTER, HALE, LUCAS, BROWN, WHITTAKER, GAINES, and LIPSCOMB, for three days; ROGERS, four days; P. J. CARTER, two days; WEBB, four days; HAMILTON and NORTON, two days; HARRIS and BRANCH, one day; and CRITZ, five days. It was Mr. FULKERSON, not Mr. LONGLEY, who received leave on Saturday.

PASSED.

House bill to provide for a new registration of the voters of Torrance Store district, Chesterfield county.

House bill providing for contests and determination thereof in elections held to take the sense of qualified voters on subscriptions to stock of internal improvement companies.

House bill to amend the act to authorize D. A. Plecker to erect a bridge over North river.

DISMISSED.

On motion of Mr. POWELL, House bill to amend section 18 of chapter 78 of the Code of 1873, in relation to public free-schools, was dismissed.

Mr. LONGLEY, the patron of the bill, entered a motion to reconsider.

Mr. WILLIAMS offered the following:

Resolved, That the correspondence of the Governor with the authorities of Accomac county and the Governor of Maryland, with accompanying papers and documents, be printed for the use of the House.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. DOOLEY, House joint resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution was made the special order for Tuesday the 12th of January.

ACTS THAT HAVE BECOME LAWS.

Mr. LOVENSTEIN reported the following acts of Assembly which have been approved by the Governor: Joint resolution authorizing the Governor to cancel the contract with Mason, Gooch & Hoge for the hire of convicts, on certain conditions. Approved December 14th.

An act to amend and reenact the 16th section of chapter 184 of the Acts of 1874, in relation to the terms of holding the circuit courts of the Sixteenth judicial circuit. Approved December 19th.

An act to provide for the collection of the revenue of Lee township, in the county of Accomac, for the year 1874. Approved December 19th.

An act to amend and reenact section 14 of chapter 155 of the Code of 1873 as amended, in relation to the terms of circuit courts. Approved December 19th.

An act to authorize the Virginia Military Institute to borrow money, and to secure the same by a lien on its real estate. Approved December 19th.

Joint resolution suspending the time of payment of certain judgments against John H. Snodgrass and his sureties, late collector of Robinson township, Wise county, till June 1, 1875. Approved December 19th.

An act to incorporate the Virginia Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home. Approved December 19th.

An act to incorporate the Southern Historical Society. Approved December 19th.

An act to amend and reenact sections 20 and 21 of chapter 155 of the Code of 1873, in relation to special terms of circuit courts. Approved December 19th.

An act for the relief of H. R. Hooper, Joseph Jorgenson, and James Mickle, sureties of B. M. Cox, late sheriff of Prince Edward county. Approved December 19th.

Joint resolution for a recess of the General Assembly. Agreed to December 16th.

Adjourned.

MARRIAGES.

Married, Tuesday evening, December 15, 1874, at 9 o'clock P. M., at Broad-Street Methodist Episcopal church, by the Rev. Dr. John E. Edwards, Mr. P. J. WHITE to Miss FANNIE H. MOSELEY; both of this city. No cards. *

DEATHS.

Died, on Sunday, December 20th, at 4:35 P. M., after a brief illness, DANIEL VON GRONING, a native of the city of Bremen, but for many years a prominent merchant of this city, and vice-consul of Italy.

His funeral will take place from his late residence, on Union Hill, THIS (Tuesday) MORNING at 11 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend. *

Died, at his residence, on Poplar street, on Sunday, December 20th, 1874, at twenty minutes past 11 P. M., after a long and painful illness, which he bore with Christian fortitude, PATRICK FITZPATRICK, eldest son of Michael and Ellen Fitzpatrick, aged twenty years and three months.

His funeral will take place at 2 o'clock TO-DAY from St. Patrick's church. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend. *

PROPOSALS.

OFFICE GRAND LODGE OF MASONS, Richmond, Va.

I WILL RECEIVE PROPOSALS FOR PRINTING the PROCEEDINGS of the last meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Virginia until 12 o'clock M. on MONDAY next, 28th instant, according to sample exhibited at my office, and to be delivered to me in mail-dress.

de 22-td JOHN DOVE, Grand Secretary.

PERSONAL.

RICHMOND, December 21st, 1874.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, FRANCES SCHONBERGER, who left my bed and board on the 18th of December.

de 22-3t* JOHN F. SCHONBERGER.

APPLES, HAY, OYSTERS, POTATOES, &c.—Receiving to-day, 175 barrels choice NORTHERN APPLES per steamer Old Dominion, 50 bales NORTH RIVER HAY per Old Dominion, 25 sacks SWEET POTATOES, and 10 barrels Mobjack Bay OYSTERS per York River railroad; TURKEYS and EGGS per express; to be sold on wharf and pavement, low for cash.

J. R. HOCKADAY,
de 22-1t* No. 1528 Main street.

A CARD.—TO MY FRIENDS AND THE PUBLIC.—I have fitted up one of the finest UNDERTAKING ESTABLISHMENTS in Richmond. With the assistance of good, practical workmen I am prepared to attend to orders with promptness and satisfaction; and as I do not seek patronage in that line, orders at my warerooms, 1207 Franklin street, and after business hours at my residence, corner Twentieth and Venable streets, will receive prompt attention at reasonable charges. Very respectfully,

de 22-2t ARTHUR ROONEY.

OFFICE CITY WATER WORKS, December 11, 1874.

NOTICE.—WATER-TAKERS will please observe the following rules and regulations imposed by the ordinance on water:

"No hydrant, cock, water-closet, or other fixture, will be allowed to be left running when not in actual use; and if found leaking the water will be stopped unless the necessary repairs are immediately made.

"The use of small hose for the street, yard, or garden, is strictly prohibited except before 8 o'clock in the morning and after 5 o'clock in the evening; and in no case will the washing of a carriage or other vehicle be allowed with hose.

"No hydrant, cock, or other fixture, will be allowed on a sidewalk or other exposed situation from which the water may be taken without detection.

"All water-fixtures are required to be kept in good repair and protected from frost at the risk and cost of the owner or tenant.

"No water-taker will be allowed to supply any family or person other than his own; and if found doing so the water will be stopped. Every family or other person occupying a premises shall pay a separate water-bill to the city.

"Penalty in each of the above violations ten dollars for each offence."

In view of the scarcity of water on the high parts of the city from the excessive waste and other causes, the Committee on Water has instructed the Chief of Police, through the Mayor, to have all water-fixtures examined, and to report each and every case of violation of the ordinance on water.

It is hoped that the citizens will see that all leaks and unnecessary waste of water are immediately stopped.

By order of the Committee on Water.

de 11-2w J. L. DAVIS, Superintendent.

NOTICE.—On and after January 1, 1875, the police will visit the premises of WATER-TAKERS twice each month to enforce the ordinance on water. JOHN POE, Jr.,

de 22-3t Chief of Police.

MEETINGS.

OFFICE NEW MECHANICSVILLE TURNPIKE CO., RICHMOND, December 22, 1874.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of this company will be held at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, 1104 Main street, Richmond, Va., at 12 o'clock M., on MONDAY, January 4, 1875.

GEORGE R. CRUTCHFIELD, President.

N. B.—The regular meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS will be held at the same place at 11½ o'clock the same day. de 22-eodtdm

HEADQUARTERS RICHMOND COMMANDERY, No. 2, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, RICHMOND, VA., December 21st, A. D. 756.—SIR KNIGHTS,—Attend a stated assembly of the Commandery at the Asylum in the Masons' Hall, on Franklin street, on TUESDAY EVENING the 22d instant, at 6 o'clock, in fatigue cap.

By order of the Eminent Commander.

L. L. BASS, Captain-General.

Attest: GEORGE R. PAGE, Recorder.

de 22-1t*

CATHOLIC BENEFICIAL SOCIETY.—FUNERAL NOTICE.—The members of the above Society are hereby notified to assemble at their hall TO-DAY, December 22d, promptly at 1 o'clock, to attend the funeral of Brother PATRICK V. FITZPATRICK. By order of the President.

de 22-1t* JOSEPH W. LAUBE, Secretary.

VIRGINIA LODGE, No. 2, K. OF P.—A stated meeting will be held THIS (Tuesday) EVENING at 7 o'clock at Pythian Castle Hall. Election of officers for the ensuing term. A full attendance is especially desired.

By order of the C. C.

de 22-1t* H. E. DOWNING.

THE MEMBERS OF OLD DOMINION LODGE, No. 4, K. of P., will attend a stated meeting at Pythian Castle Hall, corner of Main and Eleventh streets, THIS (Tuesday) EVENING at 7½ o'clock, for work. By order of the C. C.

S. McG. FISHER, Keeper of Records and Seal.

de 22-1t*

NATIONAL BANK OF VIRGINIA, RICHMOND, VA., December 11, 1874.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of this bank will be held at their banking-house, in this city, on TUESDAY the 12th day of January, 1875, at 12 o'clock M.

J. W. LOCKWOOD, Cashier

de 12-2tawtd

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF RICHMOND, RICHMOND, VA., December 11, 1874.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of this bank will be held at their banking-house, in this city, on TUESDAY the 12th day of January, 1875, at 12 o'clock M.

de 12-2tawtd S. A. GLOVER, Cashier.

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the STOCKHOLDERS of the MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF RICHMOND will be held at their banking-house, in this city, on the SECOND TUESDAY IN JANUARY NEXT, being the 12th day of the month, at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.

de 12-2awtd J. B. MORTON, Cashier.

AMUSEMENTS.

RICHMOND THEATRE.

C. D. HESS.....Director.

TUESDAY EVENING, December 22d, second night of the

KELLOGG ENGLISH OPERA.

Only performance of Gounod's Grand Opera,

FAUST.

First appearance of the great American prima donna JENNIE VAN ZANDT, Miss BEAUMONT, Mr. CARLETON, Mr. CAYLA, and

MR. JOSEPH MAAS—

his first appearance in three years.

Wednesday—FRA DIAVOLO.

Thursday—MIGNON.

Friday—IL TROVATORE.

GRAND KELLOGG MATINEE on SATURDAY, THE BOHEMIAN GIRL.

Secure seats at C. F. Johnson's music-store, 918 Main street. de 22-1t

GRAND HOLIDAY BALL.

THE FIRST ANNUAL BALL OF THE McGILL LYCEUM

will be given at Monticello Hall, Broad street between Sixth and Seventh, on

MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 28, 1874.

Ample arrangements have been made to make the affair enjoyable and pleasant.

Music by Professor KESSNICH's Orchestral Band. Tickets admitting a gentleman and two ladies, $1.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE: Messrs. Robert E. English, O. A. Duff, John Murphy, P. Keenan, Richard McKenney, M. Kelley.

FLOOR COMMITTEE: Messrs. Henry D. Boucher, John Kain, Joseph Pizzini, Francis C. Murphy, John A. Casey, T. Wendlinger. de 22-Tu,F&M

OPERA LIBRETTOS. Save twenty cents.

LEE & WALKER'S STANDARD EDITION. Only correct and complete edition.

PRICE, ONLY 15 cents. For sale by RANDOLPH & ENGLISH, 1318 Main street. de 21-3t

PROFESSOR H. F. LAUBE'S DANCING ACADEMY, Levy Brothers' Hall, corner of Eleventh and Main streets.

Ladies, Misses, and Masters: WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY AFTERNOONS at 4 o'clock. Gentlemen: TUESDAY and FRIDAY EVENINGS at 8. Glide, Pause, Boston, and all the latest dances taught. no 23-2m

DISSOLUTIONS & PARTNERSHIPS.

DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

In consequence of the death of Mr. George C. Harsin, the firms of G. C. HARSIN & CO. and THE BLACK HEATH COAL-MINING COMPANY, doing business at No. 2003 Cary street, Richmond, Va., are dissolved.

All persons or corporations having claims against either of the firms, and those indebted to them, will present their accounts for adjustment.

JOHN H. BRYANT, Surviving partner, 2003 Cary street.

CO-PARTNERSHIP.

The undersigned, having formed a general copartnership, will continue the business of manufacturing and dealing in VIRGINIA SUMAC, as successors to the late firm of G. C. Harsin & Co., under the name and style of JOHN H. BRYANT & CO., at 2003 Cary street, Richmond, Va.

They will also carry on and conduct the business of mining COAL and ORE at Midlothian, Chesterfield county, Va., under the name and style of "BLACK HEATH COAL-MINING COMPANY."

JOHN H. BRYANT, T. O'BRIEN.

de 22-6t

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FOR SALE, A HANDSOME SET OF ROSEWOOD PARLOR FURNITURE, but little used; made to order by Belvin, and may be seen at his warerooms. Terms low. de 21-3t

PROPERTY TO EXCHANGE.—Wanted, GOOD RICHMOND IMPROVED or UNIMPROVED PROPERTY, or GOOD COUNTY PROPERTY, for Baltimore houses. Address R. P., No. 7 Tenth street, Richmond. de 17-6t

FINANCIAL.

REAL ESTATE, BONDS, STOCKS,

Mortgages, and Commercial Paper bought

and sold on commission.

LOANS NEGOTIATED ON REAL ESTATE

AND COLLATERAL SECURITIES.

Utmost care and prudence exercised in the investment of money, secured by collaterals or

deeds of trust on real estate.

PROPERTY LEASED OR RENTED, AND RENTS COLLECTED.

RICHARDSON & CO.,

Real Estate Agents, Brokers, and Auctioneers,

de 21-1m No. 1113 Main street.

FURNITURE.

JAMES E. BRAGG, 201 corner Second and Broad streets, has just received a large assortment of all kinds of Messers' and Children's

CHAIRS and ROCKERS,

which I am offering to the public for the next three weeks at very low prices, which cannot be beaten in this city.

FURNITURE of all kinds always on hand.

MATTRESSES made to order.

Call and see me. de 21

DON'T FAIL TO SEE OUR NEW STYLE EXTENSION-TABLE; also, NEW STYLE EXTENSION-LOUNGE.

Large stock of NEW PATTERNS of CHAMBER and PARLOR FURNITURE.

HARWOOD & RITTER,

no 24-1m Governor street, Richmond, Va

J. D. GATEWOOD, 319 BROAD STREET, between Third and Fourth. In addition to my large stock I am daily receiving FURNITURE of the latest styles, purchased for cash at the best factories East and West. This enables me to compete with any house this side of New York as regards price and terms. no 13-3m

NOTICE.—Persons having hats at the store of L. J. ROUJASSON, No. 816 Broad street, will call, take their hats, and pay charges, as the establishment will be closed in a few days.

de 22-3t GEORGE D. WISE.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

HOLIDAY GOODS.—LEVY BROTHERS have not quite sold out all of their holiday goods. They offer

Handsome GLOVE, HANDKERCHIEF, and WORK-BOXES;

WRITING-DESKS at $3 worth $5, at $5 worth $8;

PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS, well made, at $1 would be cheap at $1.50;

WORK-CASES at 50, 75, and $1, worth double the money;

Handsome HAIR-BRUSHES and COMBS;

Fancy NAPKINS and DOYLIES;

TABLE and PIANO-COVERS;

TABLE-CLOTHS in white and colors;

EMBROIDERED INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, worked in the convents of Paris—these are the finest goods of the kind ever brought to this city;

COLORED and WHITE SILK MUFFLERS and POCKET-HANDKERCHIEFS in great variety;

BLACK SILK CRAVATS in all sizes and qualities;

GENTLEMEN'S TIES, SCARFS, and BOWS;

GLOVES for Men, Women, and Children;

NUBIAS at 25c. worth 50c., at 50c. worth $1—these are special bargains that cannot be had elsewhere;

BLANKETS in all sizes and qualities, and at prices that are bound to please;

LINEN CRUMB-CLOTHS, all sizes, at about one-half the regular prices;

RUGS, in all sizes and qualities, at very low prices;

BRUSSELS, THREE-PLY, INGRAIN, TAPESTRY, VIENNA, VENETIAN, and LIST CARPET;

COCOA MATTING at much below regular prices;

BROCHE, MERINO, CASHMERE, BLANKET, STRIPED, and PLAID SHAWLS;

HOODS, SONTAGS, JACKETS, CAPS, and BREAKFAST SHAWLS;

Elegant SASH, BONNET, and NECK RIBBONS—the largest stock by several hundred pieces ever offered in this city;

SILK NECK SCARFS at 20, 25, 35, 40, 50, 60, 75, 85c., $1, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, and $2, making the largest stock ever offered in this city;

Handsome VEST PATTERNS and PANTALOON PATTERNS, and goods for coats, in great variety;

LUNCH, WORK, and INFANTS' BASKETS;

SATCHELS and BAGS, in all qualities, at great bargains;

LACE, EMBROIDERED, and HEMSTITCHED HANDERCHIEFS very cheap;

BLACK, STRIPED, and PLAIN-COLORED SILKS at all prices;

POPLINS in great variety at reduced prices;

DRESS GOODS of every description at lower prices than ever;

BLACK ALPACAS at 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 75, 85c., $1, $1.10, $1.25, $1.50, and $2 per yard—we make Alpacas a specialty, and can suit everybody;

BED-QUILTS and COMFORTABLES in all qualities at reduced prices;

BLACK and COLORED SILK VELVETS in all qualities;

BLACK and COLORED VELVETEENS in great variety;

LADIES' and MISSES' BOULEVARD and BALMORAL SKIRTS;

TARLETAN MUSLINS in all colors and qualities;

HAMBURGH EDGINGS and INSERTINGS—the largest stock in this city, having over twelve thousand yards and over three hundred different patterns;

TABLE-LINEN and all kinds of housekeeping articles in GREATER VARIETY and at lower prices than elsewhere;

A full assortment of HOSIERY;

JET, GILT, and STEEL JEWELRY;

JET GIMPS and FRINGES;

BALL and BULLION FRINGES in all of the new shades;

TRUNKS at extraordinarily low prices;

GENTLEMEN'S TRAVELLING-SHAWLS and SHAWL-STRAPS;

LINEN COLLARS at 50, 75c. and $1 per dozen worth more than double the money;

SETS OF COLLARS and CUFFS at 50, 60, 75c., $1 and $1.50 a set;

PRINTED COLLARS and CUFFS at 15c. a set worth 50c.;

CLOTH CLOAKS in endless variety, at great bargains;

SETS OF FURS for women and children;

SLIPPER-PATTERNS FOR WORSTED-WORK;

HOUSE-BLESSINGS and BOOK-MARKS, and SHADED EMBROIDERY-SILK for working the same;

LACE and NOTTINGHAM TIDIES;

Ten thousand three hundred and seventy-eight articles not enumerated, all of which will be sold at very low prices, at

LEVY BROTHERS',
1017 and 1019 Main street,
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A consignment of TAMBOURED LACE CURTAINS will be exhibited for the next three days, and offered at great bargains. We advise those in want to call at once. de 22

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LOOK, AND THINK, AND BUY,

FOR

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS TO YOUR FRIENDS.

Splendid assortment of

NECK-WEAR,
UNDERSHIRTS and DRAWERS,
COLLARS, SOCKS,
GLOVES—Kid, Buck, and Thread;
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WHITE DRESS SHIRTS, $1.25 to $2.50.

All the above goods are

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offers a full assortment of NEW GOODS, which, by late purchases, will be found choice in style and reduced in price. Two hundred and fifty PANT PATTERNS (worsted), light and dark CASSIMERES—check, stripe, mixtures, and plain. Two hundred and fifty VEST PATTERNS—silk, cashmere, velvet, marlassea, and valentia.

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COLORED CLOTHS and BEAVERS, ENGLISH WORSTED COATINGS, CLOTHS and DOE-SKINS, all of which will be made up in the best manner. de 15

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OFFER A LARGE AND ELEGANT STOCK OF

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AT PRICES THAT MUST MAKE SALES.

We cannot be undersold. All classes suited; all tastes gratified. Prices adapted to all pockets. All should call before parting with their money elsewhere.

NOAH WALKER & CO.,
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WINES, LIQUORS, TOBACCO, &c.

OUR STOCK OF WHISKEYS CONSISTS exclusively of the best productions from the mountains of Virginia, which for soundness and purity, age and mellowness, are unequalled by any other whiskeys in the country.

J. R. LIPSCOMB & CO.,
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PURE FRENCH BRANDIES—imported direct from France—of the celebrated "Martell" brand, of superior quality—dark and pale colors—in ¼ and ½ casks. For sale by

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CIGAR MANUFACTORY No. 1, THIRD DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA, 1108 MAIN STREET.—JOHN BOUCHER takes this method of thanking his friends for their liberal patronage, and invites the public to call and examine his stock of FINE CIGARS, TOBACCO, &c., which he is selling at wholesale and retail, and will endeavor to please all purchasers. no 28-3m

IRISH WHISKEY,
FRENCH BRANDY,
APPLE BRANDY,
RYE WHISKEY,
ST. CROIX RUM,
LONDON PORTER, old and pure,

for sale by

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SUMMERDEAN (AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.) RYE.—First premium awarded at State Fair, October 27, 1874, for purity of flavor and distillation, and excellent quality.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

NEW GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.—Don't fail, in purchasing your Christmas gifts, to call on SYCLE BROTHERS and examine their stock of FANCY and DOMESTIC GOODS. You can save from 20 to 25c. by dealing there, as they are receiving daily new and large lots of goods from New York auctions, which enable them to offer greater bargains than any other establishment in the city. Just look at the great inducements they offer for this week.

A large lot (over 200) NECK-SCARFS from 25c. up to $1, all worth double the money;

Handsome WHITE SILK HANDKERCHIEFS with fancy borders at $1 and $1.25 worth fully $2;

PLAIN and EMBROIDERED LINEN HANDKERCHIFS from 10c. up to $1 apiece;

COLORED SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, a large assortment;

5,000 pair KID GLOVES in all the new shades at 75c., $1., and $1.25;

KID GAUNTLETS at 87½c., worth fully $1.75;

LADIES' and MISSES' STRIPED FANCY HOSE at all prices;

A large stock of HAIR ORNAMENTS, JEWELRY, NECK-CHAINS, BRACELETS, &c.;

PLAIN and EMBROIDERED SETS of CUFFS and COLLARS;

Handsome assortment of NECK RUFFLINGS and COLLARETTES;

Over 2,000 pieces NECK and SASH RIBBONS at lower prices than ever;

TABLE and PIANO COVERS at astonishing low prices;

TIDIES from 25c. up to $1, all worth 50 per cent. more;

A large stock of LADIES' and MISSES' HOODS, NUBIAS, COMFORTS, CLOAKS &c.

Over 1,500 pair BED-BLANKETS to be sold at cost, as we have too large a stock on hand;

COLORED BLANKETS and COMFORTABLES at greatly reduced prices;

HORSE-COVERS and INDIA-RUBBER BLANKETS very cheap;

WHITE QUILTS at $1 15, $1.50, $2, $2.50, $3, and $4—all these goods have been reduced from 25 to 30 per cent. from their real value;

CARPETS, RUGS, OIL-CLOTHS—a very large stock;

50 more pieces TYCOON REPS, very best quality, at 20c.;

Great deduction in prices of DRESS GOODS and SILKS;

As the season is advancing very fast we have resolved to sell all our DRESS GOODS at cost, and a good many below cost;

Great bargains in ALPACAS and MOURNING GOODS;

Large assortment of CASSIMERES, WATERPROOF, BEAVER, and CHINCHILLA CLOTHS, COATINGS;

BLACK DOESKINS, CLOAKINGS;

PLAIN and PLAID OPERA-FLANNELS; white and colored CORDUROY;

WHITE and RED FLANNELS and COLORED FLANNELS;

BROWN and BLEACHED TABLE LINENS, FRUIT-CLOTHS;

TOWELS, DOYLIES, and NAPKINS;

IRISH LINENS at 30, 40, 50, 60, and 75c., all worth 50 per cent. more;

BIRD'S-EYE LINEN;

COTTON and LINEN DIAPERS—special bargains in these goods;

BALMORAL and BOULEVARD SKIRTS for ladies and misses;

MISSES' SHAWLS at 50c. worth $1;

The largest assortment of LADIES' SHAWLS in the city;

Handsome assortment of LADIES' STRIPED REVERSIBLE SHAWLS at $1.50 worth $3;

We keep always on hand a very large stock of DOMESTIC GOODS;

Androscoggin, Auburn, and Fruit-of-the-Loom BLEACHED COTTONS only 12½c.;

WAMSUTTA MILLS only 15c. A large stock of brown and bleached Sheetings at market price.

Unbleached Knitting Cotton, all Nos., only 35c.;

All Nos. MACHINE NEEDLES;

MACHINE OIL only 15c. for large bottles;

All the latest novelties of BUGLE TRIMMINGS and BALL FRINGES;

Our stock is complete all over, and all we ask is a call