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AUGUST 1, 1877. au 2-1w

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BANKRUPT NOTICES.

[No. 5490.]

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON the 24th day of July, A. D. 1877, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia against the estate of E. W. Waddill, of Prince Edward county, in said district, who has been adjudged bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, is forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate will be held at a court of bankruptcy to be holden at Richmond, Va., before Thomas S. Atkins, Esq., register in bankruptcy for said district, on the 7TH DAY OF AUGUST, A. D. 1877, at 10 o'clock A. M.

C. P. RAMSDELL, United States Marshal.

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WEATHER REPORT.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the South Atlantic States, falling barometer, increasing northeast winds, cloudy and rainy weather, with stationary or lower temperature, higher followed by lower pressure, and rainy, followed by partly cloudy weather.

For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, falling followed by rising barometer, northeast to southeast winds, cooler and partly cloudy weather, and in the Ohio Valley rain.

For the Middle Atlantic States and the coast of New England, falling barometer, increasing easterly winds, cloudy and rainy weather, stationary or lower temperature.

Cautionary signals continue at Sandy Hook, Barnegat, Atlantic City, Cape May, Cape Henry, Kitty Hawk, and Cape Hatteras.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was alternately clear and cloudy, with occasional refreshing showers.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 72; 9 A. M., 77; noon, 85; 3 P. M., 84; 6 P. M., 77; midnight, 71.

Spirit of the Edinburgh Council.

THE ELDERS STAND BY THE OLD LANDMARKS—AN ENTHUSIASTIC GATHERING—CONSPICUOUS DELEGATES—HOW BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED—AMERICAN ORATORY.

[Special correspondence of the Philadelphia Times.]

EDINBURGH, July 7.

The old proverb, "Every cock crows loudest on his own roost," has had its verification in Edinburgh during the present week. In a former letter I mentioned some of the circumstances attending the opening of the great Presbyterian Council. It was a gathering of the clans from all parts of the earth; but for the first day there was a certain shyness or reserve characterizing most of the members. The circumstances under which they were met were novel and peculiar, and it was not strange that they should be slow to speak and act. But soon all this disappeared before the general spirit of kindliness and brotherly love which was manifested in every quarter. The members of the Council felt themselves "at home," and all tribes and kindreds were anxious to make themselves heard. Presbyterianism began to "crow." No opportunity was lost to proclaim its superlative excellency. Among the topics earliest introduced for discussion were these: "The Harmony of Reformed Confessions," "Fundamental Principles of Presbyterianism," and "Presbyterianism in Relation to the Wants and Tendencies of the Day." The nature of the themes was such as to suggest boasting, and it was so easy to do it in Presbyterian Scotland, and especially in Edinburgh, crowded with the monuments of martyrs and heroes, the superb capital of the Presbyterian faith. Three sessions of the Council were held each day, and such was the general interest on the part of the public to hear the discussions that the large hall of the Free Church General Assembly room, in which the Council met, was densely crowded.

MEN OF MANY NATIONS.

Admission was to be had only by ticket, and these tickets were not, as in America, "free," but sold at a high rate. The Scotch have a genuine love for debating and discussing; they like to hear it, and, if possible, engage in it. Even the ladies share in the common disposition. They came early to the Council, in some cases bringing their sewing or knitting with them that they might spend the day. As to the Council itself, certainly so far it has been a decided success; the representation in it far surpasses the expectation of the most sanguine as to numbers. There are 333 members, representing forty-nine different branches of the Church. They come from every quarter of the known world, and though English is the official language of the Council, some speak in their native tongues and are understood through the agency of an interpreter. France has sent some of her ablest men, both from the National Reformed Church and the Free Church. Among them are Professor Morrod, of Montauban, and Ed. de Pressense, D. D., of Paris. The latter is a writer of high repute, and his works are widely printed in English as well as in French. Holland, Belgium, and Norway have sent their representatives, the proof that the churches planted and watered there by the blood of martyrs still live. Germany and Switzerland are well represented by such men as Dr. Fabri, Dr. Wangeman, and Professor Godet. From Italy come the representatives of the Ancient Waldensian Church and Free Italian Church. The former of these churches, which has descended from its mountain fastnesses among the Alps to extend itself over Italy and has now churches as far south as Naples, deservedly ranks among the oldest branches of the Presbyterian family. There are also quite a number of delegates present from Austria and Hungary. The story of John Huss, the great Reformer of Bohemia, is at once mournful and glorious. Appearing nearly a century before the great Luther, he began a work which lasts to this day. The seeds of his sowing have produced a glorious harvest. The reformed churches in Hungary and Bohemia are now numbered by the thousands. From Spain comes Señor Cabrera, of Madrid, the representative of the youngest of the Presbyterian churches. It was only in 1868 that a revolution broke the bonds of religious despotism in Spain; but since then some of her most devoted men have been busy teaching and preaching with wonderful success. Already reformed churches have been organized in different places under the general name of the Spanish Christian Church. It has two representatives in the Council.

THE BRITISH AND AMERICAN MEMBERSHIP.

England, Ireland, and Scotland have sent some of their most eminent men, renowned alike in literature and the Church. Among the elders are Lord Polwarth, Lord Balfour, of Burleigh; the Earl of Keintore, Provost Swan, and Professor Simpson, M. D. America has sent the largest delegation, and one, too, of which the churches at home may be proud. Here they have produced a decided impression, alike by the ability displayed in the papers presented by them and by their pulpit oratory. So far as I have heard the Scotch and the Irish ministers, the conclusion is easily reached that the average minister in America far surpasses in pulpit power and ability the average minister in this country. The expression is heard on all sides among the ministers and people, "America has sent a splendid delegation." One of the Philadelphia elders, George Junkin, Esq., had the honor of presiding over one of the sessions of the Council.

So far the business of the Council has been conducted quietly and without dissension. It was feared by some that it would be impossible to prevent the introduction of subjects over which already years have been spent in wrangling and strife to little apparent good. But, fortunately, in this respect their fears have been disappointed. One subject, it was predicted, was sure to come up. It was the question of the revision of the standards of the Church. Some have boldly proclaimed that the Presbyterians were weary of their ancient doctrines, and that the venerable Westminster Confession of Faith no longer represented the belief of the Church; hence the necessity of revision to form a creed more in accord with the mind of the age. But certainly the spirit manifested in the Council was one in every respect thoroughly in harmony with the ancient standards of the Church. For doctrinal soundness it could not have been exceeded by the famous Council that met in Westminster Abbey itself.

The only item of the general routine business apart from two papers presented that possesses special interest for American readers was the selection of a place for the next general meeting of the Council. Philadelphia was the place chosen, and a large committee appointed to make the necessary preparations. As the Council, by its constitution, meets once in three years, Philadelphia need not expect her visitors from abroad until 1880. Hearty and generous as has been the welcome extended by Edinburgh to the members of the Council from abroad, it requires no prophet's tongue to predict one equally hearty and generous in September, 1880.

JEROME.

Searing a Deputy Sheriff.

The Syracuse *Standard* relates a story of the bad scare which a Deputy Sheriff of that city received. It calls him, for short, Ed., and says he is a good fellow, and where the business is of a purely civil and peaceable nature a first-rate officer, but his reputation in respect of personal bravery is not all that it might be. Ed.'s failing in this respect is well known to his fellow-deputies, and on Wednesday, being all assembled at the court-house, ready to go where duty called, they resolved to have a little fun at his expense. Ed. put in appearance about 10 A. M., and was at once informed with great seriousness that a band of rough-looking characters had just passed the court-house, and from their actions evidently had intentions hostile to that institution. Among other things, one of them had stepped inside of the railing and counted the number of deputies assembled on the steps. The whole party joined in discussing the affair, and in five minutes Ed. was more than duly impressed with the gravity of the situation. When the boys began to overhaul their pistols and clubs his countenance was a study. In a short time, the enemy not appearing, one of the party remarked he guessed he would go down to the armory to see what was doing there. Shortly after his return to the court-house there was brought, by a young man all out of breath, a telegram, which read about as follows:

"To John J. Meldram, Sheriff of Onondaga county, or his Janitor, Court-house, Syracuse:

"You are hereby notified to release all prisoners in your charge by 11 o'clock tonight. If you do not your own life and the lives of your deputies will answer for it. Don't neglect this warning from an

OLD FRIEND."

On receipt of this dispatch all was commotion at the court-house. The high sheriff himself had gone off for a little recreation in the woods before striking began; but the under-sheriff was on hand, and at once began to post his men for the momentarily expected assault. Presently Ed. spoke up: "Say, boys, hadn't we better send down to the armory for some help; what can five or six of us do against a whole crowd?" To which the under-sheriff replied that he would do the best he could with the force at hand; if they got worsted, then he would send for aid. Ed. and another deputy were now stationed in front of the building, on the outside, while two more were posted at the door on Clinton street. The rest of the party remained inside. In a few moments there arose a tremendous commotion at the Clinton-street door. Ed.'s companion ran to the corner, whence he could see the side-door, and as soon as he had looked he called out, "By Heaven, Ed., they've stove in the whole side-door. It's no use staying here any longer; let's leave." With this he took to his heels; but, though he is a much younger and lighter man, he was no match for our friend Ed., who passed him like a shot out of a gun. Ed.'s companion, whom, for convenience sake, we will call George, slacked up as soon as Ed. had passed him; but the latter kept all steam on until he came into collision with an iron railing, when he gave the finest exhibition of ground and lofty tumbling ever witnessed in Syracuse. After he got "straightened out" a little, no danger being apparent, George persuaded him to return to the court-house. Here he was informed that the force at the side-door had dispersed their assailants after a desperate fight; but that the ruffians were expected back in greater force in a few minutes. Ed. was now dispatched to the armory for assistance, and perhaps it is not necessary to say that in spite of his bruises he made good time. Showing his shield and his sealed message he was at once admitted by the sentry, and in a few minutes he stood hat in hand before General Wood. Seeing the deputy-sheriff come in at such a rate, that officer naturally expected an important communication. Tearing open the envelope, he read as follows:

"To Major-General D. P. Wood:

"Please give the bearer a drink to keep up courage; he needs it badly."

SENTENCE OF RIOTERS.—*Chicago*, July 31. In the trial to-day before Judge Drummond of the eight rioters from Peoria, Ill., Mack and Ennis, the leaders, were sentenced to four months, and all the others to two months, in the county jail, and all fined $50 each; the imprisonment to continue until the fine is paid.

DIED OF HIS WOUNDS.—*New York*, July 31.—Thomas Doran, the Brooklyn saloonkeeper who was stabbed by Frank McNally on Sunday last, died this evening.

BURNING OF A SASH AND BLIND FACTORY.—*Rondout, N. Y.*, July 31.—A fire this morning destroyed the large brick dwelling, sash and blind factory, barn, and lumber-shed owned by the heirs of Wilhelmina Miner, the barn of Mrs. J. D. Hasbrouck, and a dwelling occupied by Edward Miner. The furniture was saved. Loss, $14,000; insurance, $10,800.

Mr. P. T. Barnum, lecturing in London the other day, defined the condition of progress in America as one founded upon the idea that a man made the business, while in England the business made the man.

Mr. Honoré, of Chicago, the father-in-law of Colonel Fred. Grant, has just filed a voluntary petition to be adjudicated a bankrupt. His secured debts amount to $1,554,089, and the unsecured debts to $973,146.

One of the jurymen who condemned the Tichborne claimant to imprisonment has publicly recanted. He has informed the Queen that he has changed his mind about the case, and now thinks that the prisoner should be released. The Tichborne leagues are jubilant.

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens has written an article on the "Letters of Junius" for the next *International Review*. He disputes every claim to their authorship that has ever arisen.

Mme. Christine Nilsson says she can't come to America for a long time because of pending engagements; but she has "kept the best remembrance" of the country which treated her so kindly.

A Watertown dispatch says that great multitudes of people are assembling at Thousand Island Park to witness the opening of the temperance camp meeting. Speakers from different States and the Canadas are arriving.

A young man being attacked by Indians near Fort Fetterman took a position in a place that was surrounded by rocks, and defended himself for two days. He was wounded thirteen times, and at last killed. The photograph of a girl, inscribed "Mamie," was the only thing found on him by which he may be identified.

LOCAL MATTERS.

AN EMPLOYMENT SWINDLER TRAPPED.—W. B. Keater, who by his marriage some months ago to Minnie Epps, then a prisoner in the city jail, attained some notoriety, was arrested yesterday to answer for using the United States mails to swindle people. On the 12th of July Keater carried to the *State* office an advertisement signed "A. B. Dixon, Superintendent S. and A. R. R., Chicago," in which "Dixon" assumed to be the officer of a new railroad, and stated that he wanted to employ 1,000 laborers, 100 locomotive-engineers, 100 conductors, 100 firemen, and 200 brakemen, and promised to give full information and free transportation to those who applied, enclosing him fifty cents. Keater professed to be acting for Dixon. Upon being required so to do Keater endorsed his own name upon the manuscript advertisement as a guarantee of good faith. This forethought on the part of the gentleman who received the advertisement helped to fix the fraud on Keater. Keater called the attention of several parties here to the advertisement, and induced them to write to the so-called Dixon at Chicago. Being satisfied that a number had enclosed fifty cents to Dixon, it became Keater's object to get hold of the money. He therefore wrote on a postal card to the postmaster at Chicago asking him as, A. B. Dixon, to forward to him (this "A. B. Dixon") at Richmond any letters that might be there to the address of Dixon. This postal card was turned over to a special agent by the postmaster of Chicago, and the agent seeing that the thing was a fraud notified the Post-Office Department at Washington. The Department sent Special-Agent Tidball down here, and yesterday morning Keater was arrested at the general delivery when he came to get his Chicago mail. He was taken before Commissioner Atkins and examined and sent on to the grand jury, and in default of surety for his appearance was committed to jail.

Keater is a locomotive-engineer by trade. Several weeks ago Keater and his wife had a row and were brought before the Police Court. Keater then promised, if discharged, as he was, to leave the State without delay. Very probably he is now sorry that he didn't.

MEETING OF THE POLICE BOARD—APPOINTMENT OF A POLICEMAN.—The Board of Police Commissioners met at the residence of the Mayor yesterday afternoon. Present: Messrs. Carrington, Shields, Myers, Enders, Mayo, and Gresham.

The vacancy in the police force was filled by the appointment of David Barker. Mr. Barker will serve in the first grade for three years from the date of his appointment, unless promoted for good conduct to a higher grade or removed.

On motion, the Chief of Police was authorized to fit up the three station-houses, at a cost not exceeding $225, so as to provide sleeping apartments for one fourth of the men assigned to each district, which number are required by ordinance to sleep at the station-houses when off duty to provide for any sudden emergency.

Messrs. Carrington and Enders were designated by the Board to audit and approve all bills incurred in the police department in the month of August, 1877.

A communication from Squire Cornelius Harris setting forth certain grievances was received and read. On motion, the President of the Board was requested to inform the writer that the matter complained of was not remediable by the Board, but that his redress should be found, if anywhere, in a court of justice.

After the transaction of routine business the Board adjourned.

The members of the Board expressed the opinion that their sessions should be held in private, but indicated their perfect willingness to allow their secretary to furnish the reporters with the results of their deliberations.

DEATH OF COLONEL ARMSTRONG.—Information was received in this city last night of the death at the Rawley Springs of Colonel E. J. Armstrong, a member of the last House of Delegates from the county of Rockingham. Colonel Armstrong had at various times within the past thirty or forty years been a member of the Legislature, and had probably seen as much of such service as any man of this day. He was a zealous worker, a clear-headed speaker, and a faithful representative. He was one of the members of the Board of Public Works elected by the people prior to the war, and in that capacity served with acceptability for a good many years. In the last House Colonel Armstrong was one of the most active champions of the Moffett-punch bill. He conducted the bill through the House, and as its patron there replied to nearly every objection urged against it. The Colonel will be much missed by the *habitués* of the hall of the House, for his tall and lithe form, keen eyes, and long, peaked white beard, were familiar to all. He was highly esteemed by those who knew him, and whether able or not to agree with him in his opinions, which were always decided, there were very few indeed who ever thought to question the purity of his purposes.

He was about sixty-seven years old.

THE IRISH CATHOLIC BENEVOLENT UNION OF THE UNITED STATES.—It should have been stated in the notice of the I. C. B. U. published in this paper yesterday that the programme given had not been adopted, but was simply one proposed by gentlemen. Mr. Juan A. Pizzini, chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, says that the secretary of the Union tells them to expect seventy-five delegates. Mr. Pizzini promises to furnish to the press the official programe as soon as it is agreed upon.

THE GOLD CASES.—It is expected that Judge Hughes will to-day render his decision on the demurrer of defendants in the gold cases, and it is believed that he will overrule the demurrer. The suits are brought by the United States Government for certain sums of money paid in gold coin from the State Treasury to Governor William Smith and other State officials on the eve of the evacuation of Richmond.

MILITARY PARADE.—Company "G," of the First regiment, Captain Parater, made a fine parade yesterday evening in attending the funeral services of Sergeant J. H. Taylor. They had out fifty-two men, rank and file, and were accompanied by Kessnich's band. The funeral sermon was preached at Beech-Street Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. Harvey Hatcher.

THE GRANGERS.—Dr. J. M. Blanton, master of the State Grange, will adddress the farmers of Henrico county at Brook Church school-house on Tuesday the 7th of August at 12 o'clock.

FINED FOR A FROLIC.—James Kavenaugh and Mike Dolan, charged with interfering some weeks ago with James Cook (colored) in the discharge of his duty as dog-catcher, were fined $25 each by the Police Justice yesterday. Kavenaugh was committed in default.

FAMILY EXCURSION TO OLD POINT.—The ladies of the Broad-Street Methodist Episcopal church state that they will make an excursion to Old Point, Norfolk, and the Capes, on the steamer John Sylvester, on Tuesday next, the 7th instant. The tickets will be good for one week, and cheap board is promised at the Hygeia Hotel, Old Point. Persons desiring to do so can stop at Norfolk or Portsmouth. No tickets will be sold at the boat.

EXCURSION TO AMELIA COURTHOUSE TO-DAY.—An opportunity will be offered to the public to-day to go on an excursion under the auspices of the Manchester Baptist church to Amelia Courthouse. The train leaves Richmond at 7:45 A. M., and will return about dark.

DEDICATION OF JEFFERSON LODGE, NO. 23, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—Wilkinson Hall was filled last night to witness the interesting ceremony incident to the dedication of this beautiful hall to Pythian purposes. About 100 ladies were present, and there was a large attendance of members of the order. The Grand officers officiating were: John C. Teller, G. C.; P. G. C. H. B. Danforth, V. G. P.; P. C. R. T. Briggs, V. G. C.; P. C. R. C. Fletcher, G. K. of R. and S.; P. C. G. R. Ruffin, G. M. of E.; P. C. W. P. Gretter, G. M. of A.; P. C. R. N. Northern, G. J. G.; P. C. Whitehurst, G. O. G.; P. C. John Maxwell, G. H. An address was delivered by P. G. C. Danforth in his usual happy, able, and instructing manner. Remarks were also made by P. C.'s Gretter and Teller, and a delightful time was spent. The committee, composed of Messrs. Briggs, Ruffin, and Whitlock, richly deserve the thanks of all present. Refreshments were served until everybody was too full for utterance.

THE MOZART THIS EVENING—FIRST APPEARANCE OF MR. LORENZEN.—The orchestra will perform three pieces this evening—the overture "Hayda," "Tolly Brothers," waltzes by Straus, and the "Wedding March," by Mendelssohn. Messrs. Thilow and others will play a Beethoven quartette, and Mr. John D. Redford will sing a charming song composed by Mr. M. S. Turner, of this city, entitled "My Heart is Thine."

No doubt the most attractive part of the performance will be the solos for violin by Mr. Peter Lorenzen. He will render De Beriot's "First Concerto" and his "Sixth Air." Those who have not heard him will have a rare treat in store for them, as his execution of these difficult pieces is easy, graceful, and full of expression. He has only been in the city a few days, and this will be his first appearance in public.

PERSONAL.—Hon. John Letcher and Colonel John C. Shields have been nominated for the House of Delegates by the Conservatives of Rockbridge county. Colonel Shields was for many years a citizen of Richmond, and he has many friends and well-wishers here.

STATE COAL.—Up to 12 o'clock to-morrow Major Boykin will receive proposals for furnishing one hundred and seventy tons of coal for the use of the State.

THE CONSERVATIVE COMMITTEE.—The entire State Conservative Committee will hold a meeting in this city on the 7th of August.

MUSIC ON THE SQUARE.—Kessnich's band will play upon the Square at 6 o'clock this afternoon.

TOBACCO FOR ENGLAND.—The Norwegian bark St. Olaf, G. J. Lund master, cleared at the custom-house yesterday for Bristol, England, with a cargo of tobacco, shipped by various merchants in this city.

AUGUST 1, 1877.

Editors Dispatch: In your paper of to-day I notice a communication signed "Warm Weather" asking "why the accommodation train between Richmond and Ashland could not be made to leave Richmond at 6 o'clock P. M., as it did last summer, instead of at 4:15 o'clock P. M., as it now does."

There are several reasons:

First. Last summer there was a mail train which left Richmond at 3 o'clock P. M., on which four fifths of the Ashland people went out. Now, owing to the schedules of the railroads north and south of us, no such train runs.

Second. A majority, a large majority, at least five sixths of the persons who reside in Ashland and have business in Richmond, united in asking Major Myers to run the accommodation train at an hour not later than it now leaves Richmond.

Third. A large majority of those who travel on the accommodation train all along the line from Richmond to Hanover Junction prefer the present, or even an earlier, hour for its departure from Richmond.

ASHLAND.

VANITY OF WOMEN.

A NEW INVENTION CALLED THE FRENCH COMPLEXION MASK.

The introduction of a new and perfect mode of beautifying the complexion by means of what is called the FRENCH COMPLEXION MASK will astonish all and delight not a few of our ladies. The invention was brought to this city last week, and Mr. R. FERRANDINI is agent for its sale. It consists of a white, close-fitting mask, which is put on generally before retiring, having previously covered the face with a delightful balm. The result is to make the skin firm, fair, and rosy, and remove tan, freckles, pimples, and all atmospheric blemishes. It is said to be harmless and simple, without any poison whatever; and by its use a truly beautiful complexion will be secured. It can be seen at R. FERRANDINI'S, 613 Broad street.

MANY WHO ARE SUFFERING from the effects of the warm weather and are debilitated are advised by physicians to take moderate amounts of whiskey two or three times during the day. In a little while those who adopt this advice frequently increase the number of "drinks," and in time become confirmed inebriates. A beverage which will not create thirst for intoxicating liquors, and which is intended especially for the benefit of debilitated persons, whether at home or abroad, is Dr. SCHENCK'S SEA-WEED TONIC, containing the juices of many medicinal herbs. This preparation does not create an appetite for the intoxicating cup. The nourishing and the life-supporting properties of many valuable natural productions contained in it, and well known to medical men, have a most strengthening influence. A single bottle of the Tonic will demonstrate its valuable qualities. For debility arising from sickness, over-exertion, or from any cause whatever, a wineglassful of Sea-Weed Tonic taken after meals will strengthen the stomach and create an appetite for wholesome food. To all who are about leaving their homes we desire to say that the excellent effects of Dr. Schenck's seasonable remedies, SEA-WEED TONIC and MANDRAKE PILLS, are particularly evident when taken by those who are injuriously affected by a change of water and diet. No person should leave home without taking a supply of these safeguards along. For sale by all druggists.

LEVY BROTHERS' is a strictly one-price store; consequently those who are not judges of Dry Goods can depend upon getting as good article for the money as those who are judges.

Our best dentists use and recommend MEADE & BAKER'S CARBOLIC MOUTH-WASH. Fifty cents a bottle.

FOR FIRST-CLASS DRY GOODS at the lowest prices go to LEVY BROTHERS'. You can supply your wants at prices low enough to satisfy the most economical buyers.

BEAUTIFY YOUR TEETH by using MEADE & BAKER'S elegant SAPONINE DENTIFRICE. Fifty cents a box.

MANY STYLES OF GOODS can now be had at LEVY BROTHERS' at much below regular prices. Their stock being too large for this time of the year they have reduced the prices so as to make room for fall goods.

DISCOLORED TEETH rendered beautifully white by the use of MEADE & BAKER'S SAPONINE DENTIFRICE. Fifty cents a box.

AVOID DANGEROUS COSMETICS concealed in opaque glass bottles. Gourand's Olympian Cream, in clear glass, does not hide itself from examination. Its exceeding delicacy and beauty of appearance gives assurance of excellence in the performance.

LEVY BROTHERS continue to sell Dry Goods at the lowest prices. They always have on hand the largest and best-assorted stock of Dry Goods, Fancy Goods, and Notions in this city. Time and money can be saved by making your purchases at their store.

THE SAPONINE DENTIFRICE prepared by MEADE & BAKER will eradicate the incipient tartar on teeth and prevent decay. Fifty cents a box.

SICK AND NERVOUS HEADACHE.—DR. C. W. BENSON'S CELERY AND CHAMOMILE PILLS are prepared expressly to cure Sick Headache, Nervous Headache, Dyspeptic Headache, Neuralgia, Nervousness and Sleeplessness, and will cure any case. Price, 50c. Postage free. Sold by all druggists. Office, 106 north Eutaw street, Baltimore, Md.

DECAYED TEETH disinfected by MEADE & BAKER'S CARBOLIC MOUTH-WASH. Fifty cents a bottle.

M. ELLYSON & CO., advertising agents, insert advertisements in all of the newspapers of the Union States at publishers' rates. Orders left at the *Dispatch* counting-room will receive prompt attention.

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CLARET—finest brands: Duff, Gordon Sherry—our own importation; Willis Whiskey, Leghan Whiskey, B Select Whiskey. "El Consolador" and "Pitana"—two excellent brands of cigars of our own manufacture. Liberal discount to the trade.

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SLIPPERS, TIES, BUSKINS, SERGE GOODS, SANDALS, Prince Alberts, Oxfords, Newports, Magnollas Buckle Newports, &c., cheap at

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THE CARBOLIC MOUTH-WASH is pleasant to the taste, and an excellent gargle for sore-throat. Fifty cents a bottle.

SAVE MONEY by having your printing done at the DISPATCH PRINTING-HOUSE. Good work, low prices, and satisfaction guaranteed.

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

☞ *On all sales of Real Estate made between the 1st of January and last of June the taxes for the present year have to be paid by the purchaser. On all sales made between the 1st of July and last of the year the taxes have to be paid by the seller.* [This custom was adopted about fifteen years ago by all the real estate agents in Richmond, and applies to Richmond and vicinity.]

ROBERT B. LYNE, 6 P. M., two large brick stables, with dwellings over each, Nos. 1329 and 1335 Franklin street, between Governor and Fourteenth streets; and two brick dwellings on Locust alley between Franklin street and Tobacco alley.

AUGUSTINE ROYALL, 5 P. M., trustee's sale of house and lot corner of Ninth and Bainbridge streets, in the city of Manchester.

W. GODDIN, 5½ P. M., commissioner's sale of two parcels of real estate in Duval's addition near to Brook avenue.

RICHARDSON & CO., 6 P. M., trustee's sale of a framed dwelling on the east side of Twenty-eighth street near Clay.

RICHARDSON & CO., trustee's sale of framed dwelling on Twenty-eighth street, second house north of Clay.

JOHN MCCORMICK, 10½ A. M., household and kitchen furniture, &c.

P. S. SEABURY, 5 P. M., valuable plantation in Chesterfield county near Petersburg.

MEETINGS.

MEMBERS OF NEILSON ENCAMPMENT, No. 2, I. O. O. F., are requested to attend a regular meeting THIS (Thursday) EVENING at 8 o'clock.

T. L. COURTNEY, Scribe.

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ALL ROYAL ARCH MASONS are cordially invited to attend a Stated Convocation of RICHMOND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 3, at the Masons' Hall on Franklin street, THIS (Thursday) EVENING, August 2d, A. D. 1877, at 7 o'clock.

By order of the M. E. H. P.

au 2-1t* GEORGE F. KEESEE, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE OLD DOMINION IRON AND NAIL WORKS' COMPANY, RICHMOND, VA., July 31, 1877.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be held in this office on MONDAY, AUGUST 6TH, at 12 M.

R. E. BLANKENSHIP, Commercial Agent.

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AMUSEMENTS.

RICHMOND MOZART ASSOCIATION.

The regular weekly soiree will take place at Association Hall THIS (Thursday) EVENING at 8½ o'cl