THE DISPATCH.
BY COWARDIN & ELLYSON.
CASH—INVARIABLY IN ADVANCE.
The DAILY DISPATCH is delivered to subscribers at FIFTEEN CENTS per week, payable to the carrier weekly. Mailed at $6 per annum; $3 for six months; $1.50 for three months; 75c. per month for a shorter period.
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One square, one insertion	$0 75
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One square, twelve insertions	5 50
One square, one month	10 00
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One square, three months	25 00

SPECIAL NOTICES.

GREAT REDUCTION
IN PRICES OF
CLOAKS.

NOW IS THE TIME TO BUY.

$5 CLOAKS reduced to $4.
$6 CLOAKS reduced to $4.50.
$7 CLOAKS reduced to $5.
$8 CLOAKS reduced to $6.
$10 CLOAKS reduced to $7.50.
$12 CLOAKS reduced to $9.
$15 CLOAKS reduced to $11.
$20 CLOAKS reduced to $15.

And like reductions made on the finer Cloaks. We are determined to sell every Cloak we have on hand, and have fixed the prices low enough to ensure speedy sales.
de 17-7t LEVY BROTHERS.

CASHMERES! CASHMERES!
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ALL-WOOL COLORED CASHMERES at 50c. worth 65c.;
ALL-WOOL COLORED CASHMERES at 75c. worth $1;
ALL-WOOL COLORED CASHMERES at 85c. worth $1.10;
ALL-WOOL COLORED CASHMERES at 90c. worth $1.25;
ALL-WOOL BLACK CASHMERES at 50c. worth 65c.;
ALL-WOOL BLACK CASHMERES at 60c. worth 75c.;
ALL-WOOL BLACK CASHMERES at 65c. worth 80c.;
ALL-WOOL BLACK CASHMERES at 75c. worth $1;
ALL-WOOL BLACK CASHMERES at 85c. worth $1.10;
ALL-WOOL BLACK CASHMERES at $1 worth $1.25.
These low prices have been fixed so as to close out the whole stock before the 1st of January.
de 17-7t LEVY BROTHERS.

SILKS! SILKS! SILKS!

BLACK SILKS in all qualities;
COLORED SILKS in all qualities;
BLACK and COLORED SATINS;
BLACK and COLORED SILK VELVETS;
BLACK and COLORED VELVETEENS, at
de 17-7t LEVY BROTHERS'.

HANDKERCHIEFS! HANDKERCHIEFS!—A large variety of HANDKERCHIEFS of every description, suitable for the holidays and all the year round.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's SCARFS in great variety at
de 17-7t LEVY BROTHERS'.

DRY GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS—USEFUL PRESENTS.

TABLE- and PIANO-COVERS;
TABLE-CLOTHS and NAPKINS to match;
TABLE-CLOTHS in all sizes—some extra large and fine;
TRAY-CLOTHS very cheap—a large assortment to select from;
Elegant HUCKABACK and DAMASK TOWELS;
GLOVES for men, women, and children;
INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS: SILK, LINEN, and COTTON HANDKERCHIEFS;
BLANKETS, MARSEILLES QUILTS, RUGS, and MATS;
COLLARS and CUFFS in sets;
SUSPENDERS, UMBRELLAS, SLEEVE- and COLLAR-BUTTONS;
A large variety of fashionable JEWELRY, CHROMO MOTTOES, and CHROMO PICTURES;
RUSTIC and WALNUT FRAMES;
ILLUMINATED CARDS for Christmas and New Year.
de 17-7t LEVY BROTHERS.

CHRISTMAS GOODS.

HOLIDAY DAYS.

CHEAP GOODS
AT
THALHIMER BROTHERS,
601 BROAD STREET,
where they are now opening a large stock of
FANCY GOODS, GLOVES, HANDKERCHIEFS, SCARFS, BOWS, VELVET POCKETS, PORTE-MONNAIES, KID GLOVES, HOSIERY, CORSETS, COLLARS, CUFFS, &c., &c., at very low prices.
Just received, 42 dozen THREE-BUTTON KID GLOVES, in opera, white, and dark, at 50c. a pair worth 90c.
250 pieces of DRESS GOODS to be sold extra low in order to reduce the stock. Call and see them.
Our entire stock of BLACK ALPACAS at cost in order to reduce our immense stock of them. Dont fail to see them.
55 pieces BLACK ALL-WOOL CASHMERES from 50c. to $1.25. Give us a call on them.
CLOAKS, CLOAKS, CLOAKS.—Great reduction in the price of CLOAKS, as we have a very large stock on hand. $25 Cloaks reduced to $19, $20 Cloaks to $16, $16 Cloaks to $12, $12 Cloaks to $10, $10 Cloaks to $8, $8 Cloaks to $6. Don't fail to give us a call on Cloaks.
A large line of SHAWLS, SKIRTS, BLANKETS, QUILTS, UNDERSHIRTS, FLANNELS, CASSIMERES, &c., at very low prices.
THALHIMER BROTHERS,
de 14-S,M,Th 601 Broad street.

WE HAVE OPENED FOR CHRISTMAS and the HOLIDAYS a branch store at the place formerly occupied by William H. Adams, 623 Broad street, where we will exhibit a large stock of
TOYS, DOLLS,
FANCY GOODS, &c.,
at very low prices. THALHIMER BROTHERS.
de 14-S,MTh

99-CENT STORE.

THE 99-CENT STORE
is the place to buy
HOLIDAY GOODS
from the most complete line in town of
FINE and CHEAP VASES, TOILET-SETS,
LAVA FIGURE-BUSTS and SMOKING STANDS;
FLOWER-POT FIGURES and FLOWER-POTS,
NICKLE, BRASS, and GLASS INKS from 25c. up;
CARD-STANDS, JEWELRY-BOXES,
ALBUMS—for photograph and autograph;
DOLLS, from 25c. to $1.98;
DOLL PERAMBULATORS,
LAMPS, CHINA and GLASSWARE,
HAIR-BRUSHES from 25c. up
COMBS from 7c.,
CLOTHES-BRUSHES, 35c. up.
To close out our
PARIAN MARBLE GOODS,
I have reduced the price of those sold at 99c. a piece to $1.25 a pair, and those sold at 99c. a pair to 75c. a pair.
I have, also, a few pieces of the GREEK SLAVE, in glass case, to be sold at $1.25;
Our large MOVING-EYED DOLL at 75c. is a great bargain.
Catalogues mailed free to any one sending address. W. A. STEVENS,
de 14 505 Broad street.

CITY AUDITOR'S OFFICE,
RICHMOND, VA., December 10, 1878.
TO BONDHOLDERS.
The transfer books of the BONDED DEBT of the CITY OF RICHMOND will be closed on the 20TH INSTANT, and reopened on the 1ST DAY OF JANUARY, 1879. J. B. ROYSTER,
de 12-10t Auditor.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

GREAT SHOW OF
HOLIDAY GOODS
AT
COHEN BROTHERS'.

THE MOST EXTENSIVE VARIETY EVER EXHIBITED BY ANY HOUSE IN THIS CITY.

NEW ARRIVAL OF THOUSANDS OF VARIOUS ARTICLES.

DOLLS, TOYS, FANCY GOODS,
BESIDES
THOUSANDS OF USEFUL PRESENTS.
MANY GREAT BARGAINS will be offered this and next week. de 17-tDe24

THE GREAT SALE
AT
COHEN BROTHERS'.

THE GREATEST SLAUGHTER OF GOODS EVER KNOWN.

THE LARGEST STOCK EVER EXHIBITED IN THIS CITY.

THE MOST ASTONISHING PRICES.

Among the thousands of various bargains are upwards of $2,000 worth of LACE CURTAINS in real Applique, Guipure, and Nottingham.
REAL APPLIQUE at $21 a set the value of which is $33, at $30 valued at $44, at $35 valued at $50, at $40 valued at $65, at $50 valued at fully $90;
GUIPURE at $15 a set heretofore sold at $25, at $10 valued at $16;
NOTTINGHAM CURTAINS and CURTAIN NETS very much below market value;
BLACK CASHMERE at 35c. valued at 50c., at 45c. would be cheap at 55c.;
In LUBIN'S FINEST GRADES we offer the $1.15 quality at 85c., the $1.25 grade at $1, 48-inch wide, double weight, finest number, at $1.25, heretofore sold at $1.75;
58-inch wide, all wool, FRENCH MATELASSE at $1.25 heretofore sold at $2.75; 48-inch wide at $1, formerly sold at $2.50;
DRAP DE ETE at $1.50 the value of which is fully $2.25, at $2 for the finest number manufactured valued at over $3.
A large stock of COLORED DRESS GOODS at great reductions;
Upwards of 150 dozen of TABLE NAPKINS in ⅚, ½, ⅝, ¾, and ⅞, at great reduction; also, a large stock of DOYLIES in white and colored;
10 pieces GERMAN RED TABLE DAMASK at 30c. a yard, less than any previous price; also, a large stock of WHITE TABLE DAMASK.
Great bargains in BLACK SILK VELVETS. Guinett's widest and best pure SILK VELVET at $9.50 real value of which is $18; also, 24-inch wide, finest manufactured, at $5.50, real value of which is $9; also, the COTTON-BACK SILK VELVETS in the various widths at great reduction, among them 27-inch wide at $3.50, heretofore sold at $5.
Also, a large stock of COLORED VELVETS.
The largest and handsomest stock of SILKS in the various delicate tints of evening shades ever exhibited in this city.
Upwards of $16,000 worth of BLACK and COLORED SILKS recently purchased to great advantage, are offered at a great sacrifice.
CLOAKS from $3 up—many for less than the value of the material—the largest stock offered in this city.
Thousands of great bargains the coming week at
ce 7 COHEN BROTHERS'.

COD-LIVER OIL.
MEADE & BAKER'S
MEDICINALLY PURE.
IMPORTED DIRECT
We have the testimony of physicians who prescribe it, and of patients who have taken it, that IT IS MORE ACCEPTABLE TO THE STOMACH AND MORE EASILY ASSIMILATED THAN ANY OTHER OIL. MEADE & BAKER,
Importing and Dispensing Pharmacists,
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FRENCH BRANDY.
Direct importation of JAMES HENNESSY and DUBOIS FRERES BRANDY, in wood and glass. For sale, wholesale and retail, by
OSCAR CRANZ.
de 11-2w No. 14 Governor street.

CHAMPAGNE.
The very best of these WINES on hand and constantly receiving direct from the manufacturers in France. My own wine, the "PREMIERE SERRE," is undoubtedly the finest wine ever exported from France. [de 11-2w] OSCAR CRANZ.

JAMAICA RUM, ST. CROIX RUM,
SCOTCH WHISKEY,
OLD APPLE- and PEACH-BRANDY,
all of the very best quality, for sale by
de 11-2w OSCAR CRANZ.

SHERRY AND MADEIRA.
A large lot of SHERRIES just received direct from the celebrated house of WIDOW DE X. HARMONY & CO., Cadiz.
Very superior MADEIRA—some imported as far back as 1840.
For JELLIES and COOKING PURPOSES I have imported a WINE superior to any in the country, and moderate in price. OSCAR CRANZ,
de 11-2w No. 14 Governor street.

FINANCIAL.

MONEY TO LEND,
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on Richmond city property, IN SUMS TO SUIT, at lowest market rates.
CHAFFIN, STAPLES & CO.,
de 19-3t Real Estate Agents.

LYNCHBURG CITY BONDS WANTED.
In compliance with a resolution of the Council of the City of Lynchburg we are now prepared to purchase $50,000 OF THE BONDS OF THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG falling due in 1880. For any of such bonds we will pay par and interest upon presentation until January 1, 1879.
R. W. CRENSHAW,
WILSON P. BRYANT,
JAMES T. WILLIAMS,
de 2-1m Finance Committee.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

VIRGINIA AGENCY
AGRICULTURAL INSURANCE COMPANY,
WATERTOWN, N. Y.
CASH ASSETS OVER $1,100,000.
INSURES ONLY
PRIVATE RESIDENCES (IN CITY OR COUNTRY) AND THEIR CONTENTS, AND FARM-PROPERTY,
INCLUDING
STOCK AND CROPS,
AGAINST
LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE OR LIGHTNING.
Security perfect, and rates reasonable.
GEORGE D. PLEASANTS,
State Agent, Twelfth and Cary streets,
oc 14-3m Richmond, Va.

VIRGINIA FIRE AND MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY.
CHARTERED 1832.
ASSETS, $600,000.
SECURITY AMPLE. RATES REASONABLE.
W. L. COWARDIN, PRESIDENT;
W. H. MCCARTHY, SECRETARY.
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LAGER BEER.

EAGLE BREWERY.
GEORGE W. ROBINSON, PROPRIETOR,
CORNER HARRISON AND CLAY STREETS,
RICHMOND, VA.
This Brewery has been recently fitted up with all the latest improvements, and is now offering the best BEER made in the United States.
The Beer has been thoroughly tested, and is highly recommended by prominent physicians for family use.
The GOLD MEDAL was awarded to the EAGLE BREWERY for SUPERIOR LAGER BEER, ALE, and PORTER at the last Fair of the Virginia Agricultural Society.

STATE ASSAYER AND CHEMIST'S OFFICE,
RICHMOND, November 1, 1878.
The LAGER BEER manufactured by Mr. G. W. Robinson at the Eagle Brewery, in this city, has been chemically examined by me, the samples tested having been collected by myself, and found FREE FROM ADULTERATING SUBSTANCES. It may be used as a medicine or beverage in full assurance of its purity. WILLIAM H. TAYLOR, M. D.,
no 19-3m State Chemist.

Richmond Dispatch.

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

THURSDAY.....DECEMBER 19, 1878.

WEATHER REPORT.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the South and Middle Atlantic States, northwest to southwest winds, slightly warmer, clear or partly cloudy weather, stationary or rising barometer.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was clear and cold.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 32; 9 A. M., 37; noon, 48; 3 P. M., 43; 6 P. M., 41; midnight, 31.
Mean temperature, 38¾.

LOCAL MATTERS.

APPORTIONMENT OF SCHOOL FUNDS.—The Superintendent of Public Instruction yesterday made an apportionment of school funds, which "divides twenty-five cents per head of school population, and county and city treasurers are authorized to draw on the Second Auditor for the amounts specified"—as follows:

Accomac, $1,922.25; Albemarle, $2,758.75; Alexandria city, $1,111.75; Alexandria county, $268.50; Alleghany, $362.50; Amelia, $933.25; Amherst, $1,336.25; Appomattox, $778.25; Augusta, $2,353.75; Staunton, $464.75; Bath, $368.50; Bedford, $2,553; Bland, $445.75; Botetourt, $1,227; Brunswick, $1,309; Buchanan, $525; Buckingham, $1,435.75; Campbell, $1,574.75; Caroline, $1,371.25; Carroll, $1,054.75; Charles City, $470.75; Charlotte, $1,419.75; Chesterfield, $1,322.25; Manchester, $458.75; Clarke, $604; Craig, $306.75; Culpeper, $1,003; Cumberland, $881.25; Dinwiddie, $1,087.75; Elizabeth City, $621.50; Essex, $900.75; Fairfax, $1,223; Fauquier, $1,885.25; Floyd, $1,080; Fluvanna, $951; Franklin, $1,980.75; Frederick, $1,093; Winchester, $351.75; Giles, $740.25; Gloucester, $1,006.25; Goochland, $895.25; Grayson, $1,207; Greene, $476.75; Greensville, $638.75; Halifax, $2,885.75; Hanover, $1,559.75; Henrico, $1,431; Henry, $1,224.50; Highland, $411; Isle of Wight, $812.50; James City (including Williamsburg), $381.75; King and Queen, $876; King George, $555.25; King William, $699; Lancaster, $521.75; Lee, $1,495; Loudoun, $1,873; Louisa, $1,507.25; Lunenburg, $1,047.50; Lynchburg, $1,023.25; Madison, $837; Mathews, $526.25; Mecklenburg, $2,164; Middlesex, $462.75; Montgomery, $1,414.75; Nansemond, $1,063; Nelson, $1,354.50; New Kent, $445.50; Norfolk city, $1,561; Norfolk county, $1,664.50; Northampton, $719.25; Northumberland, $587; Nottoway, $810; Orange, $973.25; Page, $804.25; Patrick, $1,002.25; Petersburg, $1,854.25; Pittsylvania, $3,400.25; Danville, $308.25; Portsmouth, $849.75; Powhatan, $666; Prince Edward, $1,138.75; Prince George, $662; Prince William, $689.50; Princess Anne, $788.75; Pulaski, $700; Rappahannock, $767.75; Richmond city, $5,188.50; Richmond county, $592.75; Roanoke, $1,017; Rockbridge, $1,674; Rockingham, $2,453.75; Russell, $1,289.75; Scott, $1,489.50; Shenandoah, $1,482.50; Smyth, $1,042.25; Southampton, $1,281.50; Spotsylvania, $809.75; Fredericksburg, $314; Stafford, $686.50; Surry, $461.25; Sussex, $742; Tazewell, $1,166; Warren, $554.75; Warwick, $157; Washington, $2,000.75; Westmoreland, $735.75; Wise, $650.25; Wythe, $1,098.25; York, $667.50. Total, $120,925.25.

THE RAILROAD UP THE TOW-PATH.—The Committees on Roads and Internal Navigation of the two Houses met yesterday at 10 o'clock—General Lee, of the Senate committee, presiding.

Mr. Bocock, from the sub-committee of the Committee on Roads, reported that they had agreed upon an amendment fixing the route of the road to be up the Valley of the James; also, an amendment limiting the time for getting in the debts to sixty days, unless extended by the Board of Directors; also, an amendment, proposed by Mr. Henry, preserving the dams, &c., in the river below Bosher's dam.

Mr. Bocock further explained that if there was anything else in the contract not included in the bill he was very willing that it should be put in.

Mr. Robinson of Portsmouth suggested that the committee had nothing to consider until the bill was rewritten and the amendments put in.

Mr. Fulkerson offered as a substitute a proposition that a bill be drawn including the contract, setting forth all the facts in the case. If that be done, he did not know that he would oppose it.

Mr. Robinson of Portsmouth thought it eminently proper that a matured bill should be presented for the consideration of the conference, and again moved that the subject be postponed until that bill is prepared by the sub-committee.

Agreed to, and adjourned.

COMPLIMENTARY BANQUET TO PETERSBURG ODD-FELLOWS.—To-night a complimentary banquet will be tendered the Odd-Fellows of Petersburg (Monroe, No. 8, and Appomattox, No. 16), by the lodges of Richmond and Manchester—Jefferson, No. 4; Friendship, No. 10; Henderson, No. 105; Roane, No. 130; Union, No. 7; Fitzhugh, No. 93; Aurora, No. 116; Schiller, No. 139, and Stuart, No. 141. The visitors from the Cockade city will arrive in a special train at 7 o'clock. The Richmond members of the craft who are to take part in the welcome ceremonies will meet at Levy's Hall at 6½ o'clock this evening, and proceed to the depôt, where they will meet their visiting friends. Headed by Kessnich's fine band, the several lodges will parade the principal streets of the city, and then proceed to the hall, where they will be formally welcomed by the Hon. Edward H. Fitzhugh, P. G. R. The banquet will follow, at which a number of interesting addresses are expected.

A number of distinguished members of the order from Norfolk and other portions of the State are expected to be in attendance.

Messrs. Alfred R. Courtney, A. T. Burr, and John C. Teller compose the committee of invitation and arrangements, and will doubtless see that their guests are made to feel at home and have a pleasant evening.

RUNAWAY AND PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—Yesterday morning between 9 and 10 o'clock Mr. L. R. Spilman, a well-known member of the bar of this city, and residing at Ashland, was seriously injured on Main street near Eleventh. A runaway horse came dashing by, dragging a hitching-post. Just as the horse passed Mr. Spilman it fell, throwing that gentleman down also, his head striking the bricks violently. The injured man was carried into the establishment of Saks & Co. in an insensible condition, and was attended by Drs. H. Cabell Tabb and R. A. Wise, who happened in that vicinity. No bones were broken, but Mr. Spilman sustained severe contusions on the forehead and left cheek, causing concussion of the brain. He was taken in an ambulance to the residence of Edwin Wortham, Esq.

APPOINTMENT OF A POLICEMAN.—At a meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held yesterday afternoon the resignation of Policeman Wesley N. Smith was received and accepted, and the Board appointed John H. Tyler to fill the vacancy in the force.

LECTURE.—Rev. W. G. Starr, pastor of the Broad-Street Methodist church, will lecture at the Park-Place church Friday night on "American Humor."

The State Debt.

THE READJUSTERS INSIST THAT THE BARBOUR BILL BE PASSED AGAIN—THE ACTION OF THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A conference of the readjusters of the General Assembly was held in the hall of the House last night—Senator Fulkerson in the chair.

Mr. James Barbour, from the Executive Committee, presented the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the bill entitled "an act imposing taxes on real and personal property," passed by both houses of the General Assembly at its last session and vetoed by the Governor, ought to be again passed and enacted into law.

2. That under no circumstances will we support any measure for the adjustment of the public debt that will increase, or tend to increase, the present rate of taxation on real and personal property, or that will withdraw from the free-school system any money that has been derived, or that may be derived, from taxes levied in accordance with the Constitution for their support.

3. We will require and energetically support all legislation necessary and proper for the maintenance of the free-school system in full vigor, and resist every effort to impair the efficiency thereof.

4. That observing the formation of a party organization in this Commonwealth to control the elections for the avowed purpose of increasing taxation and of defeating any readjustment of the public debt, thereby rendering inevitable the destruction of the free-school system and putting in jeopardy the efficient operation of our State government, for the protection of person and property we recognize the necessity for counter organization, and to that end there ought to be a convention of delegates appointed by citizens who concur in the policy as above enunciated, which convention ought to assemble in the city of Richmond at an early day.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, the title of the bill as quoted in the first resolution was struck out, and the words "known as the Barbour bill" inserted instead.

The resolutions were advocated by Messrs. Barbour and McCabe, and were agreed to unanimously. There were about forty-five or fifty members present.

Mr. McConnell made a speech, taking the resolutions for his text, and approving the same, after which the conference adjourned.

The convention will not be arranged for and called until after the Christmas holidays.

All of those who were classed as readjusters last session do not approve the action of the conference last night, or the report of the Finance Committee made yesterday morning.

The members of the Finance Committee who voted to make that report were Messrs. Barbour, Moffett, Harrison of Sussex, Crank, Harvie, Oglesby, Fowler, and Keyser. Those who voted against it were Messrs. Echols, Bocock, Anderson, W. T. Taliaferro, Abel T. Johnston, and Graves. Mr. Keyser voted "No" at first, thus expressing his judgment, but finding that the committee was equally divided, and in order to allow some report to be made to the House, voted "Aye." So the committee resolved that the creditors ought to be invited here to confer about a settlement only on the basis of the Barbour bill, and so reported to the House yesterday. Their report has not yet been reached, owing to the time occupied in election of judges.

FIRE—A WOMAN BADLY BURNED.—An alarm of fire was sounded last night from Station 23, corner Seventeenth and Marshall streets.

A negro woman named Minnie Johnston, living in a hovel in an alley between Broad and Marshall on Seventeenth street, while in a state of intoxication fell into the fire, and her clothing became ignited, which set fire to the beds. The woman was painfully if not dangerously burned. Damage to the house trifling.

POLICE COURT.—The following cases were disposed of yesterday by Justice White:

Charles Moore, drunk and threatening to kill his father and mother. The case was dismissed, the matter having been adjusted by the parties.

Tom Kelly, for trespassing upon the premises of Martin Ryan and disorderly conduct, was fined $1.

Lucy Kinney (colored), an old offender, who for years has spent her Christmas in the city jail, was up yesterday morning for being drunk and resisting the police. She was fined $10. Committed is default of payment.

Henry Cox, a tramp, was ordered to leave the city at once.

PERSONAL.—General Albert Pike, of Arkansas, distinguished alike as a Mason and a gallant soldier, and Mr. E. H. Rockwell, general superintendent of the Merchant's Transportation Company, of Boston, and Colonel V. D. Groner, the Virginia agent and superintendent of the same company, are in the city.

Among the visitors to the Tobacco Exchange yesterday were Somerville Gray, C. A. Jackson, C. W. Spicer, Petersburg; John Davis, Buckingham; A. J. Farish, Albemarle; J. H. Woolfolk, Louisa; Thomas B. Evans, Middlesex; J. S. Burch, Danville; John H. Flood, Lynchburg; and J. W. Jones, Chesterfield.

THE MOZART THIS EVENING.—First, "Coronation March" (Meyerbeer), orchestra; second, solo violin, "Villanelle" (Danbe), Dr. Bartkowski; third, solo baritone, "Awake" (Adams), Mr. W. H. Grant, Jr.; fourth, overture, "Pique Dame" (Suppe), orchestra; fifth, duo, violin and piano, "Il Barbiere" (Rossini). Dr. Bartkowski and Mr. Reinhardt; sixth, solo, baritone, "Davy Jones" (Molloy), Mr. W. H. Grant, Jr.; seventh, waltzes, "Cagliostro" (Strauss), orchestra.

OUR HEIRESS.—The local musical extravaganza entitled "Our Heiress," which was so favorably received by our people on its first introduction here, will be reproduced to-morrow night at Mozart Hall for the benefit of the Retreat for the Sick. The management have provided a good deal of new scenery, prominent among which will be noticed Gamble's Hill and Monroe Park. The house will doubtless be crowded, as the object for which the entertainment is to be given is a most deserving one.

HOWE'S LONDON CIRCUS.—Howe's Great London circus was at the Tredegar Works yesterday, and attracted a large concourse of interested spectators. There were thirty-four car-loads of animals, fixtures, &c. They arrived from Atlanta. The gauge of their trucks was altered to suit the northern railroads. The circus is *en route* for Philadelphia to go into winter quarters, and expected to leave for its destination last night.

SENT ON FOR TRIAL.—A. W. Wilcox, charged with mail-robbery, was examined before United States Commissioner Atkins yesterday and sent on to the grand jury, which meets to-day. Bail was required in the sum of $5,000.

THE THEATRE.—Mr. Raymond will appear to-night in his greatest character—Colonel Sellers.

A large number of seats have already been sold, and the prospect for a full house is good.

POULTRY EXHIBITION.—The second annual exhibition of the Virginia Poultry Association will be held at Levy's Hall on the 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th of January.

SHOOTING-MATCH.—There will be a free-for-all shooting-match at the Brewery on Friday at 10 o'clock.

Popular Monthly and *North American Review* for January received from Ellyson & Yancey, 1112 Main street.

THE SUPREME COURT has adjourned until the 6th of January.

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS.—Only six packages of tobacco were sold on 'Change yesterday. Among the prices paid was $42, $31.50, $28, and $23. One package was withdrawn at $62.50.

See change of schedule on the Richmond and Petersburg railroad. The Sunday excursion trains are discontinued until further notice.

The Ladies of Christ (Episcopal) church, in the Valley, will have a feast and festival to-night and to-morrow night.

The consideration of the case of Ericsson *vs.* The City of Manchester will be resumed in the United States Court this morning.

Workmen were engaged yesterday in fixling up a quantity of new timber for the repair of Mayo's bridge. Mayo's bridge is generally kept in at least passable condition.

The American schooner Harry and Fred, Gardner master, cleared yesterday for St. John's, N. B., with 315 tons of cannel coal, valued at $2,050, shipped by Gervas Storrs, agent.

The amount of United States internal revenue collected yesterday was $2,050.

The coastwise shipments yesterday were iron-ore, lumber, logs, and cannel coal. No receipts.

[Communicated.]
J. B. Ficklen & Sons' Celebrated Bridgewater Family Flour—First Silver Medal.
A medal for excellence of flour could not be bestowed upon a more worthy house than the old and well established firm of J. B. Ficklen & Sons. Their "Bridgewater Mills," located at Fredericksburg, Virginia, have been in operation since 1822, and in the generation and a half of their existence have never been known to turn out anything but the best and most carefully-prepared brands of flour, corn-meal, etc. It may not be generally known that the now universally used term "Family Flour" was the older trade-mark of this house, and originated with Mr. Ficklen, or Falmouth, lately deceased, and the founder of the present house. The first barrel of flour bearing this mark was made and branded at these mills in 1825, and used by this firm exclusively for a considerable length of time, until, finding the popularity of the brand, it was copied by others, and so spread in its use until to-day it is the property of the milling world. The flour of the Bridgewater brand (and which was the especial mark awarded the first medal as above) is unexcelled anywhere, and the bread made from it is fit for the daintiest palate that ever passed a morsel. This flour is shipped to all sections, and the mills are compelled to run on full time to supply the popular demand. The corn-meal and other products made here are of the highest grades and are unexcelled anywhere, but the "Bridgewater Family Flour" simply beats the world and merits all the first medals in the power of man to bestow.—*Boston Journal of Commerce.*

MANCHESTER AND VICINITY.

The Hustings Court.—The Hustings Court was not in session yesterday, but will be to-day at 10 o'clock A. M. Judge Clopton's decision in the Howlett-Attkisson and other cases will be rendered.

New Lamp.—A lamp-post has been put up at Mrs. Laing's, on the northwest corner of Hull and Sixth streets. The city furnishes the post and lamp, and Mrs. Laing the oil, and has the lamp lit at her own expense. It is hoped this will prevent people from entering Mrs. Laing's store by the window instead of at the door.

A Cruel Joke.—A widow lady residing near Bridge avenue was presented with a nice little pig last Monday for her Christmas dinner. It was put in a pen to better its condition and make it more palatable. On Tuesday night some sacrilegious thief did take, steal, and carry away the aforesaid pig against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth and greatly against the wishes of the owner.

Personal.—A number of merchants and other residents of Hull street from Sixth to Thirteenth speak of securing the services of a private watchman to look after their premises. Quite a number have expressed a willingness to subscribe, and Mr. R. Theodore Moore is recommended for the position.

Close of the Revival.—The revival meetings at the Baptist church have closed, after a very successful continuance of several weeks. By this gracious revival the church and the Christian cause was greatly benefited, and quite a number of new converts were made.

Arrived Safe.—The two youths about fifteen years of age who left home last Wednesday to seek their fortunes abroad have been heard from at Danville, where one of them has relatives. They reached Danville Saturday, and expect to get work in that enterprising city. As may be expected, their friends were greatly relieved at news of their safety. These young men need a little remonstrance in the shape of a big strap.

SALE OF OIL-PAINTINGS.—Mr. E. B. COOK, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., will continue and close out a valuable lot of OIL-PAINTINGS executed by eminent foreign and American artists. This collection is large and varied, and well worthy the attention of those in want of good pictures.

READ what the Boston *Journal of Commerce* says about the celebrated BRIDGEWATER FLOUR. For sale by all the principal grocers.

EFFECTIVE ARGUMENT FROM A LAWYER.—Thomas G. Hayes, Esq., No. 304 north Stricker street, Baltimore, lately declared to a friend that he had suffered with rheumatism, which he contracted in the Confederate army, for over ten years—often so that it was impossible to sleep; that he took a single bottle of HERNDON'S GYPSY'S GIFT more than a year ago; that it cured him in eighteen hours, and he has not felt a pang of it since. There's no nonsense about that. Sold by POLK MILLER & CO. and all live druggists.

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