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## ORANGE & ALEXANDRIA RAILROAD.

ON AND AFTER FRIDAY, June 29th, 1860, TWO TRAINS will leave Alexandria daily, for Lynchburg and the Southwest, connecting at Gordonsville with the Trains on the Virginia Central Railroad, for Richmond, Charlottesville, Staunton, &c., and with the Train on the Manassas Gap Railroad, for Woodstock, Mt. Jackson, &c. Through Tickets to RICHMOND, LYNCHBURG, KNOXVILLE, MEMPHIS, NASHVILLE, MOBILE, MONROEMERY, and NEW ORLEANS, at the Ticket Office, corner of King and Union streets.

ON AND AFTER MAY 27th, 1860, trains will leave Calvert Station at 8:30 A. M., for Elmira, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and all parts of Western New York and Canada. Also, for Pittsburgh, Chicago, Cleveland, Cincinnati, St. Louis, and all parts of the West, Northwest and Southwest. For Elmira, Buffalo, Lancaster, Lebanon, Reading, Altoona, and the "Great Mills," for Chambersburg, Manchester, Mt. and Westminster, and for Hagerstown, Maryland.

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## BUSINESS CARDS.

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## FIRE INSURANCE NOTICES, &c.

**ALEXANDRIA AGENCY OF THE NORTHERN ASSURANCE COY., LONDON.** HEAD OFFICE FOR THE UNITED STATES, No. 57 South Third Street, Philadelphia. CAPITAL—\$6,298,800.00 Paid up Capital and Surplus, \$2,194,111.02

**SECURITY TO POLICY HOLDERS.** THIS old and responsible Company insures Description of property, and offers to Merchants and other desiring insurance, the security of an actual Capital of \$6,298,800, for the whole of which, Edward C. Marshall, Fauquier county, Virginia, is individually responsible, even to the extent of their entire fortunes. The Shareholders number about one thousand, and as a large portion of these are persons of great wealth, the most ample provisions exist for meeting every possible claim against the Company.

**PROVISION FOR PAYMENT OF LOSSES IN THE UNITED STATES.** THE Charter of this Company is framed in the same manner as if the Company were a Corporation or Company established by the laws of the United States, or any of the several States.

**ANNUAL INCOME.** The Income of the Company is now about \$1,000,000, increasing gradually each year, showing that it has the confidence of the different communities in which it is insured.

**RATE OF PREMIUM.** The Rate of Premium will be moderate, and in all cases will be based upon the character of the owner or occupant, and the merits of the risk. The conditions of Insurance are framed with the greatest liberality.

**SOUTHERN PROTECTION INSURANCE COMPANY, VIRGINIA.** CAPITAL OVER \$50,000 DOLLARS. AND CONSTANTLY INCREASED. The Charter of this Company offers more favorable advantages to the farmer and others, than any other Company chartered in the State, by insuring with or without a premium note. If the applicant prefer, he can pay the full amount of the premium in cash, or by effecting cash insurance for two months, the insured saves one-eighth of the amount he would otherwise have to pay; or by becoming a member, and giving a small premium note, the insured saves nearly one-half of the amount insured by Stock Companies, when he changes from year to year.

**THE LIFE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF ALEXANDRIA.** continues to insure against Fire, generally, in Town and Country as heretofore, on the most reasonable terms.

**THE POTOMAC INSURANCE COMPANY** offers reliable insurance for such FIRE and MARINE RISKS as they may receive at their Office, No. 117 FAYETTE STREET, in the City of Washington, D. C. MONEY ON DEPOSIT, allowing interest, and INVESTING THE SAME agreeably with their Charter.

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## LOCAL ITEMS.

**THE PORT OF ALEXANDRIA.**—The number of Vessels arriving at this port during the past six months, exhibits an increase over the six months of any previous year in our municipal history, and adds another to the many evidences which prove the continuing prosperity of our good old town. We compile the statement from the daily reports which the Gazette has furnished the public, during the six months ending with June 30th:—

Month	Steamers	Ships	Barques	Brigs	Schrs.
January	5	0	0	0	35
February	5	0	0	0	23
March	16	1	0	0	79
April	21	0	0	0	30
May	22	0	0	0	41
June	23	0	0	0	123
Total	92	1	1	21	436

**POTOMAC LODGE EXCURSION.**—At an early hour yesterday morning, a band of music paraded the town, discoursing most excellent music. About 9 o'clock, the steamer Phenix, Capt. Ryther, crowded with excursionists, left her wharf for Glymont, the band playing, and every one on board anticipating pleasure, and apparently enjoying themselves to the utmost. At a later hour, another boat left, and added largely to the crowd of pic-nickers and dancers already at Glymont, where the day was spent most pleasantly.

**EXCURSION.**—The Sunday School connected with the Methodist E. Church, South, in Washington city, have engaged the St. Nicholas steamer for a grand excursion to Glymont, on Friday next, 27th inst.

**GYMNASIUM.**—A number of young gentlemen of this city have subscribed towards fitting up a suitable room for a gymnasium.

**PURIFY THE BLOOD.**—MOFFAT'S VEGETABLE LIFE PILLS AND PHENIX BITTERS.—The high and envied celebrity which these pre-eminent Medicines have acquired for their invincible efficacy in all the Diseases which they profess to cure, has rendered the usual practice of puffing not only unnecessary, but unworthy of them. In all cases of Asthma, Acute, and Chronic Rheumatism, Affections of the Bladder and Kidneys, Bilious Fevers and Liver Complaints, in the South and West, where these cases prevail, they will be found invaluable. Planters, farmers, and others, who once use these Medicines, will never afterwards be without them. Bilious Cholera, Serious Loose Stools, Costiveness, Colic and Coughs, Cholera, Corrupt Humors, Dropsies.

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## MISCELLANEOUS READING.

**MIDSUMMER.** Around this lovely valley rise The purple hills of Paradise. Oh! softly on your banks of haze, He roamed face the Summer days! Declared along the azure sky, The argosies of cloudland lie, Whose shores with many a shining rift Far off their pearl-white peaks uplift.

**Through all the long mid-summer day** The meadow-sides are sweet with hay. I seek the cool-sheltered eave, Just where the field and forest meet,— Where grow the pine trees tall and bland, The ancient oaks austere and grand, And fringing rivets and pebbles fret The rippling of the rivulet.

**I watch the mowers as they go** Through the tall grass, a white-sleeved row, With even stroke their scythes swing. In tune their merry whetstones ring; Behind the nimble youngsters run And stoop the thick swaths in the sun; The cattle graze, while warm and still, Slope the broad pasture, back the hill, And bright when summer breezes break, The green wheat crinkles like a lake.

**The butterfly and humble-bee** Come to the pleasant woods with me; Quickly before me runs the quail, The chickens skulk behind the rail, High up the pine tops of the hill, The woodpecker pecks and flits, The sweet woodpecker seeks and swells, The "brookie" rings its tinkling bell, The swarming insects drone and hum, The pagoda-like house of the grub drum, The cricket leaps among the boughs, And chatters in his leafy house The oriole flashes by; and look! Into the mirror of the brook, Where the blue heron stands his coat, Two tiny feathers fall and float.

**As silently, so tenderly** Your eye may be transfixed on me. Oh, this is peace! I have no need Of friend to talk, of book to read: A dear Companion here abides; Close to my thrilling heart he hides; The best of friends, my life and soul, I lie and listen, and rejoice — *Atherton's Magazine.*

**COMMUNICATED.** RING THE BELL. "Hurra! for worthy Breckenridge!" Says one who may be a Brit, But never will they "build a bridge To save our country's fame." For list! their post is in fault, In both rhyme and metre, While swifty up the river Salt, Tends ev'ry loco beater.

**Divided now are we, and oh!** Your eye may be transfixed on me. Oh, this is peace! I have no need Of friend to talk, of book to read: A dear Companion here abides; Close to my thrilling heart he hides; The best of friends, my life and soul, I lie and listen, and rejoice — *Atherton's Magazine.*

**TAKE NOTICE.** TO OWNERS OF DOGS. ALL PERSONS owning DOGS, of which they may consider of any value, are hereby required to confine and secure the same for ninety days, from and after the 18th instant. And the Police Commissioners are Ordered to kill by shooting all dogs of the DOG kind, running at large within the limits of this Corporation—the city being swarmed with worthless curs, without owners. Given under my hand at the Mayor's Office, the 16th day of July, 1860.

**JAMES C. NEVETT,** Duke Street Wharf, Alexandria, Va., HAS NOW ON HAND, and will be constantly receiving during the season, full supplies of—