

LOCAL MATTERS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—The War Department, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington, D. C., March 26, 1877.—10:30 a. m.—For the Middle States cloudy weather will continue with dangerous northerly winds on the coast and falling barometer during the day, followed during Monday night by colder northerly winds and rising barometer.

THE COAL TRADE.—The Cumberland News of Saturday has the following notice:—There were no clearances by canal yesterday, as no freights were offered excepting by the Maryland Company, who still adhere to their offer of ninety cents, but have as yet secured no boats at that rate. It is understood that the Consolidation, New Central, and perhaps other companies will commence fall shipments by canal Monday.

There is nothing new to report from the mines, excepting that the miners of the Borden Company went to work at the shaft yesterday. The increased tolls on the canal (45 cents per ton) will apply to all coal shipped from this point.

It is currently rumored that the rate of freight on the Cumberland and Piedmont Railroad for the season will be two cents per ton per mile—the rate fixed by the Legislature.

WANT OFFICES.—A delegation of colored radicals, consisting of A. Lumpkins, J. McKenzie Ware, H. S. King, R. L. Mitchell, A. W. Harris, R. F. Taul, Hamilton Smith, Delamater Williams, Elijah Withers and others, called upon Postmaster Berkeley, on Saturday evening, to urge the appointment of some colored men, as clerks, in the postoffice. The postmaster told them that there were at present no vacancies in the office. The delegation then asked him, when his present term expired and he was re-appointed, would he make provision for some colored men in his office. In reply to this question the postmaster said that he could not make any promises so far ahead. The delegation then retired. It is the impression, amongst those interested, that the delegation had received promises from some one of the applicants for the postoffice, and were making arrangements to find how they would fare with the present incumbent, before declaring their presence.

COUNTY COURT.—The March term of the County Court, Judge James Sangster presiding, was held today.

In the matter of Henry Chase, guardian of Sarah F. Lincoln; application for removal of said out of this State; application filed, rule and continued.

Arrest of R. T. Lucas for \$52.75 for board of prisoners, was allowed and ordered to be certified to the Auditor for payment.

In the matter of Richard Lloyd, application for a road; C. E. Corbett et al., George W. Clifford, McCreae vs. the W. & A. R. R. Co., suggestion; G. W. Beall vs. Wm. Frizugh, suggestion; James Lucas vs. John Appleman, appeal; C. S. Biren vs. A. K. Veitch, motion on fourth count bond; rules were ordered to be issued in these cases for the parties to be complied with.

Court adjourned till Court is over.

PALM SUNDAY.—Palm Sunday was appropriately celebrated at St. Mary's Church yesterday. The palms or green branches were blessed previous to the High Mass at eleven o'clock. The announcement of services for Holy Week was also made at the same Mass. The usual Masses were announced for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. On Thursday, the services will commence at 8 a. m. On Friday services will be held at 8 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; at the latter service Rev. W. F. Clarke, S. J., of Baltimore, will preach a sermon on "The Passion of Christ." On Saturday, the services will commence at 6 a. m. In Washington and Baltimore, yesterday, the palms blessed were used in the same manner as in this city, where mainly branches of the arbutus and bay tree. In the large vases on the altar were displayed large branches of the original palm.

THE CHURCHES YESTERDAY.—The fine weather of yesterday morning brought out large numbers of people and the various churches were well attended. At night, however, the threatening appearance of the clouds deterred many from venturing out, and the congregations were small. Rev. Dr. Cummins preached in the M. E. Church, both in morning and night; Rev. E. K. Nelson in Christ Church at night; Rev. D. H. Huntington in the Baptist Church in the morning, there being no night services; and Rev. Mr. Waugh in the Union Presbyterian Church at night. Rev. Mr. Bay, the new pastor of the M. E. Church South, preached there, morning and night, to large congregations.

IMMIGRATION.—The Washington Star of Saturday says:—"A meeting of citizens interested in the plans and purposes of the Co-operative Industrial Association of Virginia was held last night, at Lincoln Hall, to consider what can be done in this city to encourage the enterprise of organizing a colony to locate some twenty miles from this city, on the Virginia bank of the Potomac river. Major Hall occupied the chair, and addresses were made by Thos. J. Durant, Gen. Daniels, Prof. John Brainard, of the Patent Office, and Dr. Dodge, of the Agricultural department."

THE WEATHER.—The pleasant weather of Saturday and yesterday morning gave way in the afternoon to cloudy skies, and the wind shifted around to the northeast, blowing fresh and cool, with light rains. During the night the wind increased to a regular northeasterly gale, accompanied by heavy rain, which has continued throughout most of the day, making locomotion in the open air, especially along the wharves, very unpleasant and difficult.

FIRE.—The alarm of fire about 6:45 o'clock, Saturday night, was caused by the burning of a quantity of loose paper, under the counter in the jewelry store of Mr. R. C. Aeron, on King street, near Pitt. The flames had been started by a match used in lighting the gas and thrown on the floor before it had burned out. The fire department was promptly on the ground but its services were not needed.

PERSONAL.—Mr. Samuel L. Hancock, for some time past connected with the drug house of Janney & Co., in this city, left last night for Paris, Lunar county, Texas, where he has accepted a situation. Mr. Hancock has many friends in this city and the river counties who wish him bon voyage, and much success in his new home.

WOOLEN MILL.—Among the freight of the steamer Ann Eliza, which arrived here from Philadelphia, this morning, was the machinery for a new woolen mill to be erected at Orange C. H. It was consigned to Larkin Hawkins & Co., at that place.

THE ROBERT PORTNER.—A dispatch to the New York Herald, announces the arrival yesterday, at Gibraltar, of the schooner Robert Portner, of this city, bound from New York to Genoa.

To sooth disturbed feelings brought on by a cold, and to cure Coughs, Croup, and Hoarseness, give Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, which may be had at drug stores.

THE PROPOSED LIQUOR TAX.

The liquor dealers of this city are loud in their denunciation of the liquor tax bill now pending in the State Senate. They claim that the measure is a summary law which will injure them very much in their business, and place a very unjust and disproportionate tax upon them. Holding these views and realizing the necessity of taking some action in opposition to the passage of the bill, they have appointed Mr. Alexander Hunter as their agent to represent them before the committee of the Senate having the matter in charge, and that gentleman left for Richmond this morning. Since Mr. Hunter reached Richmond he has telegraphed here that it would be necessary for a petition to be forwarded to the legislature remonstrating against the passage of the bill. Such a petition will, it is understood, be sent to Richmond to night.

POLICE ITEMS.—Bertie Skelton, a colored girl, for disorderly and insolent conduct, was released after receiving two lashes from her mother at the station house.

James Richards, alias Phillips, for stealing a hat from Mrs. McQueen, was given thirty lashes.

Ursula Brown, colored, on suspicion of stealing \$70 from John Harrison, also colored, was held for further examination.

Local Brevities.

Billy Connell was arrested in Washington on Saturday on the charge of participating in the assault and robbery of Treasurer Fawcett on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal line, in Allegany county, Md., during October, 1875. Barney McQuaid, against whom an indictment is now pending, Curran alias Bass, and others are also implicated.

Two negro men had a fistfight on the King street wharf yesterday afternoon, during which one of them was severely cut in the face. It is supposed by a pair of brass knuckles. Both of the men left on the half past two o'clock boat for Washington.

Among the strangers in the city yesterday were Senator Cockerill from Missouri and Mr. A. C. Bull, whose brilliant articles in the Washington Capital have lately been attracting so much attention.

The railroad bridge on the Shenandoah branch of the Midland road over the Manassas river at Riverston is completed, and the trains now run through to Strasburg.

Mr. Andrew Nicholson, who is employed as a fireman on the Virginia Midland road, fell from his engine and was severely hurt.

Mr. J. Charles Jacobs has been appointed agent of the Virginia Midland road at Front Royal, relieving Mr. Donald McLean, who had been temporarily placed in charge.

The Washington Republican of this morning says: "The Alexandria ferry boats and larger boats were all quite a business yesterday."

The children of the Sunday schools of the Episcopal churches in this city are making great preparations for their Easter celebrations.

Judge Hughes will hold an adjourned term of the U. S. Circuit and District Courts in this city commencing on Friday, the 31st instant.

The leader of Shelbyville, Ill., says Mr. W. H. Gary, formerly of Leesburg, Va., is residing in the city of St. Louis this week.

"I suffered for a long time with gout, creak and swollen liver, indigestion and general bad health, and after trying many other remedies, nothing did me so much good as Simmons' Liver Regulator. It cured me, and now I have not to take any medicine, for I am well; but I shall always keep it in the house to cure any one else of the family that have anything the matter. It is good for nearly everything."

Every druggist has calls for Wells' Eureka for the teeth; a first-class article will always sell; persons who use it help advertise it as being first class.

BLACK SILKS AND MERRIETTA CLOTHS. Monday, March 26, 1877. A full line of the above goods at low prices received to-day, together with other choice goods. Call and see them.

WE CALL attention to our stock of Ready Mixed PAINT, put up in one gallon cans; any color desired. Call or send for sample card of colors.

RECEIVED this day a large stock of Doors, Sash, Blinds, Builders' Hardware, Laths, Oils, &c., to which we call special attention.

WHITE WASH BRUSHES, Shoe Brushes, Dust Brushes and Paint Brushes received this day and for sale at prices to suit the times.

GARDEN RAKES, Hoes, Spades, Shovels, &c., received this day.

ANYTHING you may need in the building line can be had of

1877 SPRING TRADE, 1877. J. T. CREIGHTON & SON, 88 King st., cor. Royal, Alexandria, Va. Have received a large and well selected stock of goods in their line, to which they invite the attention of purchasers.

Country merchants will find a good line of goods suited to their needs at prices to suit.

Our stock embraces all classes of Hardware and Cutlery in the trade, and a good assortment of other goods usually purchased by the country merchant. We will sell at a small advance, and invite an examination at 89 King st., corner of Royal, Alexandria, Va.

OFFICE OF ADAMANTINE BRICK CO. Alexandria, Va., March 20, 1877. A meeting of the stockholders of the "ADAMANTINE BRICK COMPANY OF VIRGINIA" will be held at the office of the company, at Waterloo Station, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of May, 1877, at 12 o'clock.

MOUNT VERNON NURSERY ESTABLISHED 25 YEARS. FRUIT TREES ADAPTED TO THIS REGION A SPECIALTY. SMALL FRUIT, ORNAMENTAL TREES, &c., &c.

OSCAR F. BAGGETT, DEALER IN FIRST CLASS BEEF, VEAL, LAMB, MUTTON, &c., &c. CORNED BEEF A SPECIALTY. Stalls at Centre Market, Royal st. wing. Marking delivered free of charge to all parts of the city.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.)

From Washington. WASHINGTON, March 26—12 m.—"There are no new developments to-day. The 'policy' remains as it was—no committal. It is quite apparent that the contract between Matthews, Foster, &c., on the part of Hayes, and some leading democrats will have to come out, and when it does it will either show that there has been the great duplicity on the part of the republicans, or down-right falsehood, or else that the democrats were so dishonest that they walked into the trap with their eyes wide open, and without the assurances that they said they had."

It seems to be settled that Gov. Hampton will be here to-morrow to "consult," and give his "views upon political affairs in South Carolina, while Chamberlain will, of course, be permitted to give his version, and as radical "proof" is easily obtainable, Gov. Hampton's statements will be subject to controversion, and, instead of a consultation, it will be a controversy, in which truth will likely kick the beam.

No official announcement of the Louisiana commission has yet been made, and it seems difficult to obtain the proper kind of material of which to construct it. Some think that the commission will "play out." Certain it is there is a hitch.

There was another Cabinet meeting to-day, but nothing was done. Civil Service reform was talked over, and an informal "chat" had upon Southern affairs, but no action was taken. The talk over, the Cabinet meeting ended. S.

THE CABINET. There is a full in the interest which has for some time past been taken in the meetings of the Cabinet, for the Administration has now made moves which require the action of others before anything definite is reached.

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THE COURT-HOUSE PROPERTY. There have been some inquiries made at the office of the Solicitor of the Treasury in relation to the alleged claim of the United States upon the former United States property in Alexandria on which the old court-house and the jail stand.

FORMER ALEXANDRIANS. There has been a proposition made here for the formation of an "Alexandria Club" among the former residents of Alexandria now residing in Washington. It is estimated that they number five thousand.

The new army bill which will be submitted to the House at the extra session of June will provide for an army of 17,000 and that no money appropriated shall be paid to any railroad company for the transportation of any property or troops of the United States over that portion of any railroad which was constructed by the aid and of a grant of public land on the condition that such railroad should be a public highway for the use of the Government of the United States.

It is understood that the new civil service rules which will be provided for permanent promotion for meritorious services alone, and with absolute disregard of politics.

It is reported here that both Hampton and Chamberlain will arrive here to-morrow.

The President's most intimate acquaintances say that he really means to put a stop, and that at an early date, to Federal interference in South Carolina and Louisiana, that he does not mean to put in Packard and that the South Carolina question will not last another week.

In an interview with a delegation of Mississippi radicals last Saturday the President is reported to have said that the policy of sustaining State governments with the aid of troops was not, in his mind, the proper thing to continue, and hence he had reached the conclusion that it was incumbent upon him to change it.

Be sides, public opinion had been aroused upon the subject, and was for the most part opposed to it. In addition to this it was evident that Congress would not furnish him with the troops to continue such a policy, and if he did not have the troops he could not well see how he would be able to use them. The failure of the Army Appropriation bill showed what Congress thought. If this were to continue it would seriously affect the army, as no provision would be made for the payment of troops.

Col. Crittenden. RICHMOND, Va., March 26.—Col. Crittenden, doorkeeper of the House of Delegates, was arrested Sunday by Chief of Police Poe, on the charge of forgery, and brought before the police court, this morning. His counsel were Judge Crump, John S. Wise, Senator D. A. Grimley of Culpeper, Messrs. Spotswood and John A. McNeill. Examination was waived and he was sent on to the Hustines Court. The House postponed any action until next Monday.

Foreign News. ROME, March 26.—The Pope made the feverish excitement and unremitting labor at the Vatican relative to the consistory, etc., has fallen ill again. It is certain that after a secret consistory on the 12th inst. he fainted and had to quit reading the allocation. These fainting fits have recurred and the Pope has remained unconscious longer each time. He does not like his illness to be perceived, and makes strong efforts to hide it. These produce a painful reaction. The moment he gets back to the two apartments he sinks into a chair and remains motionless with his eyes closed like a corpse. The recent excitement has told upon him, and indeed on several occasions during the spring, which is always a dangerous season for him, his life has been almost despaired of. His physicians regard the fatiguing receptions of the pilgrims with great apprehension. Foreigners who see the Pope at long intervals notice a great change in him. One of these visitors recently said to me the allusion of March 12th would probably be the Pope's last formal utterance. Meanwhile the Pope's advisors are endeavoring by every means to get P. Q. and Austria to revive the Roman question. It is hoped to induce Italy so far to recognize the Pope's temporal power as to send the Legation City to the Holy See, where all religious orders expelled from Rome could find an asylum.

The Iron Interests of Virginia.

To the editor of the Alexandria Gazette: I am informed of the fact that the magnetic iron ores of Missouri are found in Shepherd's Mountain, the sub magnetic ores in Iron Mountain, the Pilot Knob bears large quantities of silicious specular ore, and large deposits of specular and brown hematite exists, and are mined upon, in the vicinity of the Marston river, in Phelps and Crawford counties.

The geological formations of these counties, Lake Superior and Missouri are very similar to the Blue Ridge region of Virginia, especially the foot hills of that range. The copper ores of Lake Superior are found in the Potsdam sandstone formation, and this formation, the sandstone, with ripple marks—worm holes—found on the top of the Blue Ridge, about two miles southwest of Lindeu, a short distance eastward of the Fauquier and Warren county line, in Fauquier county, and here is found, near by, a deposit of copper, native and carbonate.

No doubt this Potsdam sandstone has been lifted into its present position by the actions of the forces of the land waves, acting from the southeast towards the northwest, at right angles to the direction of the shore line of the Silurian Period, and by its force, acting through countless ages, formed a number of those ridges now to be seen between the Blue Ridge and tide-water, and those mountains and long lines of mountain ranges, extending between the Blue Ridge and the western base of the Appalachian range. In Warren county, a short distance west of the top of the Blue Ridge, on the mineral property of the Alexandria Copper Company, on which has been opened a copper mine, there is a massive ledge of sandstone, a bold precipice over one hundred feet high, on the western slope, nearly vertical, and the strata being nearly horizontal. This massive deposit of sandstone has, no doubt, been lifted up, raised into its present position, exposing the Blue Ridge, by the steady and powerful forces alluded to above. In this ledge of sandstone it was shown a horizontal thin seam of pure native copper, having the appearance of having been pressed through a set of rolls, and exposed out into a thin sheet of metal. Further explorations will determine the true age of this copper formation, and give light to the appearance of the Potsdam sandstone, on the top of the First Primitive Mountain Range of the Earth.

But the age of the formations of Ludestone is more ancient even than the formations of Lake Superior or Missouri. Ludestone Ridge, no doubt, was raised up above the surface of the waters of the Primitive Ocean, at the same period as the Blue Ridge, or more than likely at an earlier period. It may have been the first rocky knob that raised its head above the primeval ocean that not only covered the American continent but the continent of the Old World also. Its variables were much greater and higher than its present appearance indicates; it was more lofty; the rush of waters and other denuding causes, have ground down its surface, leveled its summit, flattened out its deposits of iron ores, and reduced the ridges that connect it with the Blue Ridge proper to a regular and uniform shape, terminating on the summit of Ironstone Ridge, and its mineral formations—its iron ores—argue against the earliest primitive ores of the earth, and as a consequence, are the purest iron ores in existence.

Catlett's, Fauquier county, Va.

A. H. STEPHENS ON THE SITUATION.—In an interview between Senator Gordon and Mr. A. H. Stephens, in the latter's sick room, yesterday, Mr. Stephens desired the Senator to correct the report of a conversation between himself and Mr. Fish. Mr. Stephens stated that he did not see the report until his attention was called to it, and that it was in many respects incorrect.

What he did say was in substance that the South needed more than anything else home rule and relief from the evil of party office holders. In reference to President Hayes Mr. Stephens said that if he aimed at a pacification of the country it would require great firmness on his part in adhering to the principles of his inaugural address. What was wanted was noninterference and the withdrawal of troops from the support of either government in South Carolina and Louisiana.

He also said that in conferring offices in Southern States the President should look to those men who had the confidence of the people of the Southern States, without reference to present creeds or associations. He should do as Washington did in the beginning. He appointed Hamilton and Jefferson both as members of his Cabinet who he knew that they were diametrically opposed in political principles.

Mr. Stephens said in the appointment of Mr. Key the President had imitated this example, and if in the appointments to all other offices he should pursue this line of policy he might do vast good and secure peace and union. But in order to do this he must lose sight of the interest of this party or that, keeping solely in view the great idea of securing the best men for office and removing animosities from the people, and fostering the prosperity and preserving the peace, harmony and liberty of the country.

The largest river steamer in the world, the Rockaway, was launched from the Atlantic Iron Works, Norfolk, last Saturday. She is to be used for excursion purposes solely by the Western and Rockaway Beach.

The Page Courier says:—The Shenandoah Iron Works, in Page county, and owned by the Messrs. Milnes, have determined to resume operations early in the spring.

MARRIAGES. In Washington, on Tuesday, March 21, at St. John's Episcopal church, by Rev. J. V. Lewis, EDWARD A. BUTTS to SALLIE A. GARDNER, eldest daughter of B. B. Barlett, formerly of Middleburg, Va.

DIED. At her residence, near Ballton, on the 24th inst., Mrs. SUSAN ANN W. PAVY, widow of Paul Day, dec'd., in the 57th year of her age.

Near Gum Spring, Loudoun co., Va. Mar. 25, MOTT, youngest son of Charles L. and Lavinia Mankin, aged 11 months.

FANCY GOODS. CAMBRIC EDGINGS AND INSERTINGS. A full line just received—very cheap.

NOTICE. HARRIS' BLACK SEAMLESS HARRIS' BLACK SEAMLESS HARRIS' BLACK SEAMLESS

I have this day opened a full line of the above in two buttons, all sizes, at

C. M. ADAMS, DEALER IN

Ladies' & Gents' Furn'g Goods. LADIES' DEPARTMENT. Kid Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Corsets, Scarfs, Collars and Cuffs, Handkerchiefs, Handkerchiefs, Underwear, Scarfs, Shoes and Bows, &c.

NOTION DEPARTMENT. Cotton, Flax, Needles, Thread, Buttons, Edgings, Zippers, Worsteds, Sheddell Wool, Germantown Wool, Sazony Yarns, &c.

15 BAGS OLD GOVT. JAVA, LAGAYRA and BIG O'CEA received this day and for sale cheap by

R. W. AVERY, 26 King st.

DRY GOODS.

SPRING, 1877. LADIES' 64 DOLLAR CLOTH, in all shades, just received.

THE HANDSOMEST PERCALS, best goods, only 10c a yard.

LATEST STYLE WASH TRIMMINGS just opened by

BLACK SILKS—Another lot just arrived, cheaper than ever.

BEST CASHMERE and MOHAIRS just from the manufacturer, cheap and good.

LINE SHIRT FRONTS, lined with heavy Cotton inside, Shield Bosoms, just opened.

LADIES' BALBRIGAN HOSE, in all colors, just opened.

PRETZFELDER & CO. Are now opening NOVELTIES IN SPRING GOODS, and would name in part—

Dobson Cloths, new styles and colorings, with Fringes to match.

Newest Fabrics in Imported Dress Goods, in entirely new shades.

Casimere, Worsteds, Diagonals, Moltons, 64 Cloth, &c., in large variety; newest designs at unusually attractive prices.

Spring shades of Kid Gloves, in two buttons, at \$1. Every pair warranted.

CHANGE IN THEIR BUSINESS. ALL WOOLEN GOODS AT COST.

They have recently received many desirable DOMESTIC GOODS, which are being sold at greatly reduced prices.

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS! New line of CASHMERE for men and boys' wear, very cheap.

1000 yards of FINE IRISH LINEN, in remnants, at half price.

Auction lot of FINE HAMBURG EDGING from to us.

KID GLOVES in all shades; every pair guaranteed.

Also a complete line of TAILORS TRIMMINGS, &c.

GROCERIES AND LIQUORS. REDUCED PRICES OF CHOICE

10,000 LBS EXTRA BACON, Sugar cured HAMS 1 lb.

SHOULDERS 10c. SIDES and JOWLS at like reduction in prices. Also PURE LEAF LARD, in small packages, and also, at reduced prices.

NEW STORE! NEW GOODS! The subscriber respectfully announces that he has prepared to offer a full and carefully selected stock of

FINE FAMILY GROCERIES at prices which cannot fail to please. Goods delivered promptly to all parts of the city, and satisfaction guaranteed in every particular.

W. A. JOHNSON, Dealer in CHOICE FAMILY AND FANCY GROCERIES, WINE LIQUORS, &c., &c.

GROCCERY, LIQUOR, FEED AND COMMISSION MERCHANT, Northeast Corner Cameron and Royal streets, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

GEORGE MCBURNEY & SON, Dealers in CHOICE FAMILY AND FANCY GROCERIES, WINE AND LIQUORS, ENGLISH BUTTCH ALE and BROWN STOUT.

WHOLESALE AND FAMILY GROCER, TEA DEALER.

W. A. JOHNSON, DEALER IN CHOICE KING and ST. ANASTASIA, BREADS AND RESTAURANTS.

SHERWOOD HOUSE, Corner Fayette and Harrison streets, BALTIMORE, MD.

EUROPEAN PLAN, HENDRICKS & BARNUM, Proprietors.

PIN HEAD OATEN GRITS, fresh and the best quality, just received and for sale by

CLOSING OF THE GREAT COMBINATION STORE.

Mr. HENRY SCHWARTZ respectfully announces to the citizens of Alexandria that he has this day accepted engagements with Mr. Isaac Eichberg, successor to Slaymaker Co., for the purpose of turning the management of that business, and will resign as manager of the Combination Store, the stock, fixtures and Merchandise of the latter will be sold out immediately, either in parts or the whole, at a GREAT SACRIFICE. Mr. S. has made arrangements and asked all the goods down so as to have the entire stock closed out by the early part of April. POSITIVELY CLOSING OUT SALE. The dealers are cordially invited.

Respectfully, HENRY SCHWARTZ, mh 24 Manager Combination Store.

DRY GOODS! DRY GOODS! OPENING SPRING TRADE.

DRY GOODS AT POPULAR PRICES. Wednesday, March 7, 1877.

SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS TO COUNTRY MERCHANTS. We are receiving a great many New Goods to-day, and invite an early examination.

D. F. BRASHEAR, No. 109 King street, Alexandria, Virginia.

NEW GOODS. Just received direct from New York a very handsome line of

BLACK GEO. GRAIN SILKS. These goods are very handsome and cheap. Parties in want of Black Silks will find it to pay them to look at them. They range in price from \$1.00 to \$2.50 per yard.

Very handsome Navy Blue and Invisible Green. Pink Stripe do. for the Spring sales. Black Cashmeres, Tannin Cloths and other Mourning Goods. A fine stock of Cashmere Long Slaws, various dills.

Best Black Kid Gloves, Prints, Bleached Goods, Lonsdale Cambrics, Alpaca very cheap, with other Dress Goods.

J. M. STEWART, mh 3

FOR SALE OR RENT. HOUSE FOR SALE.—THE FRAMED HOUSE No. 157 south Lee street, will be sold at a low price to a purchaser who will remove it or tear it down at once. Apply at this office.

FOR SALE OR RENT.—The three story BRICK HOUSE on Royal street, between Prince and Duke, now occupied by Rev. Dr. Mitchell, with water and gas. Apply to mh 22-1m CHAS. E. HOOPE.

FOR RENT.—THE DESIRABLE RESIDENCE No. 109 Duke street. Terms moderate. Possession given immediately. Furniture at private sale. mh 20-2w

CHICAGO PROPERTY TO EXCHANGE FOR A FARM. A Southern gentleman wishes to exchange an elegant dwelling house on one of the finest avenues in Chicago, Ill., for a good farm on the Potomac or Rappahannock rivers, or between the Rappahannock and the James, where it is salt and navigable. Address C. J. ADAMS, No. 55 Dearborn st., Chicago, Ill. mh 19-2w

FOR RENT.—A TWO STORY BRICK HOUSE, with water and gas, and a TWO STORY FRAME HOUSE, 65 and 61 Wolfe st. Enquire at 65 Wolfe st. mh 16-2w

FOR RENT.—FOR RENT THE TWO THREE-STORY BRICK WAREHOUSES on Union street, Nos. 11 and 13; in excellent order for the storage of grain. Apply to A. HERBERT, mh 12-30w of Burke & Herbert.

PROPOSALS. OFFICE GAS WORKS. Alexandria, Va., March 22, 1877. Sealed proposals will be received at this office until April 3rd, 1877, for THE THREE HUNDRED (300) TONS BEST QUALITY YORK CHESEY GAS COAL to be delivered at the city wharf during canal navigation of the year 1877. Bidders will state the terms, &c., upon which they propose to sell the coal. The committee reserve the right to reject any or all bids. By order of the Gas Light Committee. mh 22-4f M. H. NASH, Supt.

WOOD AND COAL. COAL! COAL! COAL! For Good, Clean Coal go to T. J. McHaffey & Co's., wharf and yard foot of Queen street. mh 20-2m

WOOD AND COAL YARD. CORNER DUKE AND FAIRFAX STS. Where you will find A PRIME ARTICLE. mh 20-2m S. BARKER

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COAL!