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Weather Forecasts.

The weather forecasts are constantly improving in accuracy and therefore increasing in value. These forecasts must convince everybody who examines into the subject that there is "something in them." They are not mere guesses, but intelligent forecasts based upon facts within the knowledge of the Weather Bureau. These forecasts are not called predictions; for there is nothing in them that partakes of the nature of the weather prophecies of sailors and others who are wise above what is written. When the field of observation is extended all over Christendom and the results of these observations are transmitted daily to Washington city, the Weather Bureau of this country will be so accurate in its forecasts that everybody will soon learn to trust "Old Probabilities," as the head of the signal-service office used to be dubbed, and will look into the papers every morning to learn beyond a doubt what sort of weather is to prevail for the next twenty-four hours. Nay more; the forecasts will then be made several days in advance, and these "long-distance" forecasts will be as accurate as the "short-distance" forecasts now are. We shall have in the United States no doubt the best weather service in the world; if for no other reason because our possessions extend across a whole continent.

The involved problem in the matter of the weather forecasts is how to deliver them to the rural communities, where they are most needed. People living in towns and cities find the weather forecasts lying at their doors every morning. That is to say, they find them in their daily papers. But country people do not receive their papers so early in the morning, and many of them not until it is too late for the weather forecasts to be of any service to them. If the tobacco-planters could get these forecasts before breakfast every morning, and could rely implicitly upon their accuracy, they could often let their tobacco stand in the field for a week or two longer than it now stands, thus improving its quality and increasing its quantity and its value. As it is, the weather forecasts fail to reach the country people in time to be of any service to them, and so they never learn to rely upon them; and the result is, as we have stated, that the men who most need reliable forecasts of the weather are the very ones who profit least by them. How shall the country people be made beneficiaries of the weather forecasts?

The Kentucky Legislature has had this subject under consideration. It has passed a joint resolution requesting the Kentucky Senators and Representatives in Congress to "lend all necessary encouragement and aid" to such measures as in their judgment will stimulate investigation and quicken discovery in the great field of the weather-service and give greater efficiency and value to the Signal-Service Bureau in gathering and more widely disseminating "in the shortest period and most timely hours its weather bulletins." That, as we have said, is the problem to be solved. How shall we disseminate the weather forecasts "in the shortest period and most timely hours"? The Kentucky Legislature says truly on this subject that "the study of meteorology promises wonderful benefactions to civilization in the near future" and especially to the agriculturists. Electricity must be employed in this service as it will soon be in so many other matters which concern the whole civilized world. Perhaps Mr. EDISON will come to the assistance of Congress.

The Bill to Suspend Immigration.

Mr. CHANDLER's bill, reported favorably from the Committee on Immigration of the United States Senate, is as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the admission of alien immigrants for settlement or residence now allowed to enter the United States under the act of March 3, 1891, and the other immigration acts, is hereby suspended and prohibited for and during the term of one year from and after the 1st day of March, 1893, except as to immigrants coming from American countries who were citizens thereof and actually resident therein for not less than one year before their departure.

Section 2. That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to make and issue rules and regulations for the enforcement of the prohibitions of this act, which shall not hinder or delay the admission of returning American citizens or of aliens coming only as visitors or for a temporary sojourn in the United States.

Section 3. That any alien immigrant entering the United States contrary to the provisions of this act shall be subject, in accordance with existing laws, to be sent back to the country from which he came, and all persons who shall bring into or land, or aid to bring into or land in the United States any such alien immigrant, shall be subject to the penalties now by law provided for bringing or landing or aiding in bringing or landing excluded immigrants.

After reading this bill we do not wonder that Mr. PLATT said of it that from the reading of the bill and the proposed amendments no senator listening to it could understand just exactly what the committee proposes in its report, nor what the bill would effect if it should be passed into a law with the amendments. A more awkwardly-drafted bill we never read. It reminds us of the book entitled "English as She is Spoke."

But the objects of the bill are praiseworthy. As we have argued more than once, it would be poor statesmanship and worse charity to admit immigrants into this country at the cost of the lives of thousands of the people who were born and reared here. Whether the above-quoted bill would, if it became a law, effect the objects which it was intended to effect, we cannot undertake to decide. Probably public sentiment so strongly favors those objects that the bill will be so construed as to make it effective in accomplishing them.

Richmond as a Winter Resort.

Last summer (until the heat drove us off) we presented Richmond's claims as a summer resort. Now we feel it to be our duty to make a remark as to her advantages of situation and climate as a winter resort.

While the cities around and about us and that great sanitarium Old Point have within the past few days been the victims of biting blizzards we have been exempt from snow and extraordinary winds. Not a flake of snow was to be seen upon our streets yesterday and the skies were serenely blue.

On Tuesday there was some little "spitting" of snow here, but a quart of it could not have been gathered up in the whole city, and while it is true that we have had "a cold snap," so called, it was a most genial affair, which merely afforded skating for the young people and gave fashion its opportunity to appear in furs.

Ours is a jolly fine climate. As soon as the West-End Hotel is built we shall positively assert our city's claims in this respect. At this time we do not care to say more, as there is no telling what moment the wind may change. However, we can safely speak of the past, and that truth which is mighty and will prevail compels us to say that the fall of the year 1892 was truly delightful here, and that thus far the winter has been dry, invigorating, and agreeable.

Pretty Women and F. F. V.'s.

It is one of the tricks of the trade for newspaper reporters the world over to make every woman lovely who figures in a murder or an elopement or any other sort of scandal.

It is a conventionality of theirs, which is supposed—properly supposed no doubt—to make their productions more readable.

It is a fact that nearly every one takes some interest in the fate of a pretty woman, whereas few care what becomes of an ugly one. The writers of romance understand this very well indeed. Never do they put upon the stage of action in their books any ugly or ill-favored creature. They take the justifiable position that so long as they are doing the creating they may as well do it handsomely.

All these digressions from truth we can pardon more easily than we can forgive those New York scribes who make every citizen of Virginia who gets into trouble there or elsewhere an "F. F. V." Sometimes the persons thus dressed up for appearance in print are not Virginians at all; sometimes they are Virginians who are as much shocked as their friends are when they find themselves described as "F. F. V.'s"—a term, by the way, which is seldom used here and then only in derision.

We know of two recent cases where persons exploited in the great New York papers as "F. F. V.'s" were not Virginians born, and one, we think, had never really been a resident of this State.

Usurpation of Power.

We opposed last fall every proposition to allow the courts to usurp the functions of the Legislatures of the several States. We then held, as now we hold, that in the matter of apportioning representation in a State Legislature the Constitution of each State gives the whole and sole control to the Legislature. In Idaho day before yesterday the Supreme Court decided that the act of the last Legislature of that State apportioning representation in the General Assembly was unconstitutional. That decision was a usurpation of power.

The Virginia Constitution provides that representation in our General Assembly shall be apportioned by that body. Has the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia the power or the right to pronounce the existing law unconstitutional, and all the acts of the General Assembly passed since that reapportionment was made null and void? The claim is preposterous. The discretion which must be allowed to a Legislature in proposing such a duty forbids that the courts should interpose their usurping hands in such cases.

The Virginia Constitution also provides that the Legislature shall reapportion representation in Congress. Can a Virginia court pronounce the present reapportionment act unconstitutional? Would the House of Representatives pay the least attention to such pronouncement?

State Banks of Issue.

We are glad to see that the Hon. HENRY BACON, of New York State, chairman of the Coinage Committee of the House of Representatives at Washington, is opposed to the State-bank system advocated by some good Democrats who have strayed from the true financial path. In the January No. of *The Forum* he discusses the proposed measure and reaches some sound conclusions on the subject. He holds that the country is not prepared and ready to meet or cope with the problems which would arise from the repeal of the law taxing the notes of State banks; that a return to the system of regulating the issue of currency by State laws can never be safely or successfully done; that control over the issuing of bank circulation is a constitutional function of the Federal Government, and that the exercise of such control by that government is necessary, and presents no insuperable difficulty, even in the present condition of the country.

Mr. BACON stands high in the House of Representatives. He comes from Mr. CLEVELAND's own State, and probably voices the opinion of the President-elect on the State-bank system. Mr. BACON needs, however, no bolstering up. He can afford to stand upon his own reputation and record.

Bounty to Sugar-Planters.

The Washington *Post* says it is conceded that the House of Representatives will not longer allow a bounty to be paid to the sugar-planters.

Perhaps the members of that body know what the people desire, but we do not have a high opinion of the sagacity of any Democrat who supposes that they would not object to a tariff on sugar.

"A free breakfast-table" is the cry that caused the Republicans to take the duty off sugar. The same cry will fill the ears of the congressman who shall dare to try to tax sugar again, whether the bounty on that article be abolished or not.

Let the Democrats in the House of Representatives look before they leap to the conclusion that the people would as lief pay six or seven or eight cents per pound for sugar as to pay five.

In view of the fact that there is now a case of scarlet-fever in the White House, it seems to be doubtful whether Mrs. CLEVELAND will care to take baby RUTH there on the 4th of March. It is regarded as quite probable that Mr. CLEVELAND will engage temporary quarters elsewhere in Washington city, or else not bring his wife and child to Washington until all danger of infection has been removed.

MARTENA HARRISON, the little grandchild of the President, who is the White-House patient, is said to have a very mild type of the disease; but, as is well known, scarlet-fever is one of the most treacherous of all the maladies to which children are subject.

It is noticeable that on nearly all of the "slates" made up by the newspapers for Mr. CLEVELAND's Cabinet the name of Mr. TUCKER appears.

This is not proof-positive that the President is going to appoint him Attorney-General or give him any other portfolio, but it is indubitable evidence that he is everywhere regarded as worthy of a Cabinet place.

National banks numbered 4,818, 4,819 4,820, and 4,821, have recently been organized. We take 4,821 to be the number of banks which have been organized under the present banking system during the whole period of its existence.

Colonel C. O'B. Cowardin makes friends wherever he goes, and no Southern editor is better known or more popular than he is. He is known from New York to Atlanta as one of the most agreeable story-tellers in the country, as well as being a first-class business man.—*The State.*

To this proposition there is a multitude of cheerful witnesses and none to contest it. We salute the Colonel. May his good, fellowship, his popularity, and his wealth increase with each returning New Year.—*Norfolk Landmark.*

Arkansas's Convict-Poisoning.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., December 27.—Three more victims of the mysterious poisoning at Helena died this morning, making thirteen who have died since the fatal arsenic was mixed with their food. Six of the men died at Helena, one while on his way to Little Rock, and five more in the prison hospital.

"Wheezing" in children is soon cured by the famous Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

THROWN FROM A COLT

MRS. HENRY WHITEHEAD'S SAD ACCIDENT NEAR ROSELAND.

Has Not Recovered Consciousness—Her Injuries Probably Fatal—A Niece of ex-Senator Withers.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

LOVINGSTON, VA., December 28.—Intelligence has reached here of an extremely sad accident to a young lady well-known throughout the county. Mrs. Henry Whitehead, only a few years married, was thrown from a colt she was riding near Roseland, and received injuries which, it is feared, will prove fatal. Her skull is badly fractured and she has not up to this time recovered consciousness. Mrs. Whitehead was a Miss Withers prior to her marriage and is a niece of ex-United States Senator Withers.

A HOLIDAY GLOOM.

The death of two well-known gentlemen from this county has cast a gloom over the Christmas season in many Nelson families. Mr. Hope W. Massie, who died at his residence, near Tyro, in his 51st year, was very widely connected in this county. He was a man of genial manners and was popular with all who knew him. His remains were interred at "Level Green," the old Massie burying-ground.

Mr. John Hughes, who passed away in his 83d year at his residence, at Slaughter, leaves nine children to mourn their loss.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS.

The Methodist Sunday school celebrated Christmas last night by a magnificent tree in the church, which was much enjoyed by the little ones. The Presbyterians had their celebration to-night and it exceeded in magnitude any of their past endeavors on like occasions.

County court was held last Monday. The most important court transaction was the appointment of commissioners to reapportion the county into new road precincts.

Mr. Clingerpeel, of Buchanan, is visiting his uncle, Mr. T. W. Shelton, in this place.

OFFICERS OF THE DAWSON CO.

Mrs. Allen Recovers Her Diamond Ring—Miss Robertson's Christmas Tree.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., December 28.—The Dawson Investment Company of Virginia, located at this place, applied for a charter yesterday. The officers for the first year are Paul B. Barringer, president; Professor Francis H. Smith, vice-president; Professor William M. Fontaine, secretary; Professor James M. Garnett, treasurer, and Mr. Graham Page, general manager. The directors are Dr. J. Edgar Chancellor, Professor C. S. Venable, Dr. P. B. Barringer, Professors J. M. Garnett, Francis H. Smith, and Messrs. A. P. Bibb and R. L. Carter.

Mrs. R. H. Allen, of Alfred, lost a valuable diamond ring in Charlottesville on Wednesday last. Mr. J. D. Watson picked up the ring in his store, which was crowded with customers. It was valued at $150.

GOOD ICE.

A crop of ice between two and four inches is now being gathered. The spell of cold weather is the severest and longest that has been experienced here for many years.

Mr. W. E. Clifton lost a valuable Beagle dog. It came home, but the liver-colored spots were painted an entirely different color.

The library at Judge Robertson's presented a beautiful scene last evening, when his little granddaughter's (Alice DuBose's) Christmas-tree was presented to the view of the little folks who had gathered. After each one had received a present from the tree ice-cream and cake were served. Those present were: Misses Belknap Lyons, Effie Benson, Emma Wood, Emmy Duke, Lettie Woods, Eva Cator, May Aylett, Maud Gunther, Kate Gunther, Elise Miles, Julia Robertson and Alice DuBose, and Masters Barton Lyons, Willie Wood, Charlie Benson, Willie McCue, Lyttleton Wood, Willie Hanckel, Walter Duke, Jack Duke, Charlie Duke, Jimmy Saltsman, Willie Saltsman, and Edward Thornton.

Professor A. H. Tuttle, of the University of Virginia, is in Chicago in attendance on a meeting of scholars to consider the relation of schools to the study of biological science. He will read an important paper on the subject.

Judge R. T. W. Duke has gone to Boston.

MERRY SLEIGH-BELLS AT HAMPTON.

Street-Cars Stopped Running—A Negro Forger Shot by an Officer.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

HAMPTON, December 28.—The snow here is about one foot on a level, and in some places badly drifted, the heaviest fall of snow for many years. A large number of sleighs are out, and the merry bells are filling the air with music. The street-cars, with difficulty, managed to run up to 5 P. M. yesterday, but at that hour closed down, and up to this time to-day (11 P. M.) have not commenced to make their regular trips.

On Monday a negro, Isaac Cooper by name, was arrested for forgery, and while being taken to jail by Constable Kennedy (colored) Cooper broke away from the officer and ran. Kennedy ordered him to stop, and Cooper paying no attention, fired one shot, which took effect in one of the prisoner's legs, breaking the bone and bringing him to the ground.

Festival of St. John the Evangelist.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

EMPORIA, VA., December 28.—Widows'-Son Lodge, No. 150, A. F. and A. M., celebrated the festival of St. John the Evangelist with appropriate ceremonies last night. A goodly number of Masons were present. After the lodge was closed the craft repaired to the Weaver Hotel and partook of an elegant supper.

The oldest inhabitants say that it is the biggest snow that we have had since the memorable one of 1857.

A young couple from here—Mr. J. D. Peebles and Miss Cora Atkinson—were married in Washington, D. C., a few days since. The young lady being under age was the reason that the couple sought that Gretna-Green.

The Seymore-Morris Wedding.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., December 28.—Mr. John H. Seymore and Mrs. Elnora Morris, of this place, were married this evening by the Rev. Mr. Warren, and they left to-night for Richmond. Mr. and Mrs. Seymore were warmly congratulated by their friends. Mr. F. C. Davis acted as best man.

A Woman the Bottom of It.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

CHARLESTON, W. VA., December 28.—Paul Topsey was fatally stabbed by William Edward and Ed. Hanks here this morning. Topsey came here from Winifred to spend the Christmas and have some fun with the boys. A woman was at the bottom of the difficulty. Edwards and Hanks were arrested.

M. Louis Pasteur, the distinguished chemist and biologist, celebrated his 70th birthday Tuesday.

Scrofula in the Neck

The following is from Mrs. J. W. Tillbrook, wife of the Mayor of McKeesport, Penn.:

Willie Tillbrook.

"My little boy Willie, now six years old, two years ago had a bunch under one ear which the doctor said was Scrofula. As it continued to grow he finally lanced it and it discharged for some time. We then began giving him Hood's Sarsaparilla and he improved very rapidly until the sore healed up. Last winter it broke out again, followed by **Erysipelas.** We again gave him Hood's Sarsaparilla with most excellent results and he has had no further trouble. His cure is due to

Hood's Sarsaparilla

He has never been very robust, but now seems healthy and **daily growing stronger.**"

HOOD'S PILLS do not weaken, but aid digestion and tone the stomach. Try them. 25c.

MAYO'S GUIDE, REVISED BY H. W. FLOURNOY AND J. THOMPSON BROWN. Wholesale price to counties and cities, $3 per copy; to individuals, $4 per copy.

Mr. Mayo's method of arrangement and treatment has been strictly adhered to. The revision is simply an adaptation of his work to the present state of law, founded upon the Code and Acts of Assembly, including the Acts of 1891-'92. These books will be supplied to the counties and cities directly by H. W. Flournoy. They are on sale to others by J. W. Randolph & Co., West, Johnston & Co., the Everett Waddey Company, and H. W. Flournoy. de 20-Tu,Th&Sa2m

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PREVENTIVE AND SURE CURE FOR

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A powerful digestive tonic. At druggists, 50c. oc 1-3m

AMERICAN INVENTIONS IN INDIA.

Something of Interest to all Americans.

A Calcutta letter says that American inventions and discoveries are fast displacing the older ones of English manufacture in the Indian Empire. Thus, a few years ago, the American harvesters and reapers were entirely unknown, where now there are many. The American telephone has been introduced in most of the large cities. Stranger than all, the old-fashioned, huge pills are fast giving place to Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, or "P. P. P.," which were first introduced in London some years ago by their American proprietors. Every Englishman who enjoys good eating, must have his dinner-pill, and it is not unusual to see distinguished persons draw from their waistcoats a tiny little vial of these Pellets, and take one with their wine.

After taking one you feel well, instead of bilious and constipated; your sick headache, dizziness and indigestion are gone. It's done mildly and easily, too. These are tiny, sugar-coated, but thorough in results. One Pellet's laxative, three to four are cathartic. They regulate and cleanse the liver, stomach and bowels—quickly, but thoroughly. They are *guaranteed* to give satisfaction.

HOTEL GRENOBLE.

Fifty-sixth to Fifty-seventh street and Seventh avenue, New York. Finest fire-proof hotel in the city, with apartments adjoining. European plan. Acknowledged to be the greatest success of any hotel in the country. Cuisine and appointments cannot be surpassed.

WILLIAM NOBLE, Owner and Proprietor. de 29-eod2m

THE RECEPTION TO THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL SCHOLARS OF THE GRACE-STREET PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY-SCHOOL announced for Thursday afternoon the 29th instant will be postponed until further notice. B. C. WHERRY, Superintendent. de 28-2t

MEETINGS.

UNION BANK OF RICHMOND, RICHMOND, VA., December 28, 1892.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE UNION BANK OF RICHMOND will be held in the directors'-room of the First National Bank on THURSDAY, January 12, 1893, at 12 o'clock M. J. B. BEASLEY, Cashier. de 29-1JA12t

THE SAVINGS BANK OF RICHMOND, RICHMOND, VA., December 28, 1892.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this bank will be held at the banking-house THURSDAY, January 12, 1893, at 4 o'clock P. M. JAMES M. BALL, Cashier. de 29-eod1d

AURORA LODGE, No. 116, I. O. O. F., will hold a regular meeting TO-NIGHT at Ellett's Hall, Fifth and Marshall streets, at 8 o'clock. Degrees will be conferred on several candidates by the degree staff. All Odd-Fellows in good standing are cordially invited. By order of the Lodge. W. F. GREEN, Secretary. de 29-1tif

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE GERMAN-AMERICAN BANKING AND BUILDING COMPANY will be held at their office, No. 1006 east Main street, JANUARY 11, 1893, at 12 o'clock M. CHARLES K. WILLIS, Secretary and Treasurer. de 27-2w

FIRST NATIONAL BANK, RICHMOND, VA., December 23, 1892.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THIS BANK will be held at their banking-house, No. 1104 east Main street, on TUESDAY, January 10, 1893, commencing at 12 o'clock M., for the election of directors and such other business as may appear. B. C. BURNETT, Cashier. de 24-td

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the STOCKHOLDERS OF THE GOODMAN MANUFACTURING COMPANY will be held at their office on WEDNESDAY, January 4, 1893, at 12 o'clock M. MORTON A. GOODMAN, Secretary and Treasurer. de 22-td

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the STOCKHOLDERS OF THE DISPATCH COMPANY will be held at their office on TUESDAY, the 10th day of January, 1893, at 12 o'clock M. H. THEODORE ELLYSON, Secretary. de 15-td

AMUSEMENTS.

RICHMOND THEATRE. BRANCH & LEATH, MANAGERS.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29TH AND 30TH.

The Madison-Square Success, the Happiest Laughing Hit of Two Hemispheres,

JANE. [de 28-3t]

DIVIDENDS.

DIVIDEND.—OLD DOMINION STEAMSHIP COMPANY.—A THREE PER CENT. DIVIDEND will be paid to the Virginia stockholders out of the earnings for the past six months at the company's office, 1301 Main street, on and after JANUARY 2, 1893. GEORGE W. ALLEN & CO., Agents. de 29-4t

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF RICHMOND, VA., RICHMOND, VA., December 28, 1892.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK have declared a dividend of FIVE PER CENT. (free of tax) out of net earnings of the current six months, payable to shareholders on and after January 3, 1893. H. C. BURNETT. de 28-7t

SAVINGS BANK OF RICHMOND, December 24, 1892.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK have declared a dividend of THREE PER CENT. (free of tax) out of the earnings for the past six months, payable to the stockholders on and after January 3, 1893. JAMES M. BALL, Cashier. de 27-8t

UNION BANK OF RICHMOND, RICHMOND, VA., December 24, 1892.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK have declared a semi-annual dividend of 8 PER CENT., or $4 per share (free of tax), payable on and after JANUARY 2, 1893. J. B. BEASLEY, Cashier. de 25-8t

PLANTERS' NATIONAL BANK, RICHMOND, VA., December 24, 1892.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK have this day declared a dividend of 5 PER CENT. (free of tax) on the capital stock, payable on and after January 3, 1893. RICHARD H. SMITH, Cashier. de 25-10t

VIRGINIA STATE INSURANCE COMPANY, RICHMOND, VA., December 23, 1892.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

The Directors of this company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of THREE PER CENT. (free of all tax), out of the net earnings of the last six months payable to the stockholders on and after January 2, 1893. RO. E. RICHARDSON, Secretary. de 24-1w

OFFICE VIRGINIA FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, RICHMOND, December 21, 1892.

DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS of this company have declared a SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF 5 PER CENT. (free of tax), payable to stockholders on and after JANUARY 2, 1893. WM. H. MCCARTHY, Secretary. de 22-3w

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE Board of Directors of the Petersburg Railroad Company have declared a dividend of 3 PER CENT. on the common and preferred stock of the company, payable on and after the 30 DAY OF JANUARY, 1893, to all holders of record on the 20th of December, 1892, after which the books of transfer will be closed until January 3, 1893. W. R. JONES, Treasurer. de 20-13t

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE Board of Directors of the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad Company have declared a dividend of 3½ PER CENT. on the capital stock of the company, payable on and after the 30 DAY OF JANUARY, 1893, to all holders of record on the 20th of December, 1892, after which date the books of transfer will be closed until January 3, 1893. W. R. JONES, Treasurer. de 20-13t

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE BOARD of Directors of the RICHMOND, FREDERICKSBURG AND POTOMAC RAILROAD COMPANY have declared a dividend of 3½ PER CENT. on the common capital stock and dividend obligations of the company, payable on the 2d of JANUARY, 1893, to all holders of record on the 20th of December, 1892, after which date the books of transfer will be closed until January 3, 1893. J. B. WINSTON, Treasurer. de 17-1Ja1

OFFICE OF THE GRANITE PERPETUAL BUILDING FUND CO., OFFICES: No. 1102 EAST MAIN STREET, 'PHONE 831, RICHMOND, VA., December 22, 1893.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have declared out of the net earnings of the past six months a semi-annual dividend of 4½ PER CENT. (free of tax), payable on and after JANUARY 2, 1893. SAMUEL H. PULLIAM, Secretary and Treasurer. de 25-8u,Th,Su&Tu

RICHMOND PERPETUAL BUILDING, LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY, OFFICE 1209 MAIN STREET, RICHMOND, VA., December 22, 1892.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 PER CENT. payable on and after JANUARY 3, 1892. WILLIAM LOVENSTEIN, Cashier. de 22-Th,Sa,Su,Tu,Th,Sa,Su,Tu,We&Th10t

PEOPLE'S BUILDING, LOAN, & TRUST COMPANY, No. 5 NORTH TENTH STREET, December 19, 1892.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have this day declared the usual 5 PER CENT. DIVIDEND out of the profits of their business for the past six months. This dividend is payable at the office of the company on and after JANUARY 2, 1893. H. L. CABELL, Cashier. de 21-W,F,Su,Tu&Th5t

MERCHANTS' NATIONAL BANK, UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY, RICHMOND, VA., December 21, 1892.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF this bank have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of THREE AND A HALF PER CENT. on the capital stock, payable on and after the 3d of January, 1893. de 22-eodtJa5 J. F. GLENN, Cashier.

1892.

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309 EAST BROAD STREET.

The Christmas rush is over and we return thanks to our friends and customers for their liberal patronage. We will make specially-low prices to close all of our

HOLIDAY GOODS

that were carried over. Special attention is called to LAMPS, SCREENS, and VASES, on which we will offer inducements.

12 dozen extra-nice, very large, All-White DINNER NAPKINS at $2.50, worth $3.

1 lot of Ladies' and Children's Initial White-Silk HANDKERCHIEFS, reduced from 25 to 19c.

We advise our friends to buy their COTTONS, Bleached and Unbleached SHEETINGS, as soon as possible, as indications all point to an advance in these goods.

For the present we are selling 10-4 UTICA SHEETING, bleached, at 30c.

Other makes of 10-4 SHEETINGS, bleached and unbleached, at 20, 22, 23, and 27c.

TWILLED SHEETING, bleached, 10-4 wide, at 40c.

11-4 UTICA BLEACHED SHEETING, at 27½c.

PILLOW-CASE COTTONS, bleached and unbleached, 5-4 wide, 12½ to 16½c.

8-4 SHEETINGS, 16½, 18, and 20c.

7-4 SHEETINGS, 20 and 22c.

8-4 SHEETINGS, 20 and 25c.

9-4 SHEETINGS, 20, 25, and 28c.

Yard-Wide BLEACHED COTTONS at 5, 6¼, 7½, 8½, 10, 11, and 12½c.

An excellent 4-4 BLEACHED COTTON at 8½c.

UNBLEACHED COTTONS, yard wide, 5, 6¼, 8½, and 10c.

11 from 14 leaves 3, which is the number of DRUGGETS we have left.

1 DRUGGET, 3x2½ yards, reduced from $6 to $4.50.

1 DRUGGET, 3x2½ yards, reduced from $7.50 to $5.63.

1 DRUGGET, 3x3 yards, reduced from $9 to $6.75.

DRESS GOODS way down—some lots at less than cost.

Special attention is called to a lot of CHEVIOTS, etc., at 37½c., reduced from 50c.

1 lot of CAMEL'S-HAIR SERGES, 44 inches wide, reduced from 62½c. to 29c. The colors of this lot are gray, green, and brown.

LADIES' SUITS (Jacket and Skirt), in Scotch Mixtures, reduced from $16 to $8. The Jacket alone is worth the price and the sizes are 32, 34, 36, 38.

A small lot of FUR CAPES and MUFFS at greatly reduced prices.

Also our CLOAKS at great changes in the prices.

1 lot of CHILDREN'S JACKETS at cost for three sizes, 8, 10, and 12 years.

TOWELS are sold along with Sheetings, and of these we have a nice assortment ranging in price from 60c. to $12 per dozen.

Good values in TOWELS at $1.50, $2, $2.25, and $3 per dozen.

Grateful to our friends for past favors, we respectfully solicit a continuance, promising them at all times to use our best efforts to please them; and to them and all we extend a "Happy New Year." de 29-2t

THE COHEN COMPANY

11, 13, 15, and 17 east Broad.

This throwing of some of the tonic of the holiday trade into the days succeeding gives zest to merchandising and does away with the dull season, the bane of the non-progressive.

For the eighth or tenth time we've again a stock of those Sterling Silver HAT-PINS at 25c.---the last two gross went within one selling day.

Sterling Silver Souvenir or Love Spoons, 96c.
Sterling Silver Garter Clasps, $2.75.
Hat Pins, imitation tortoise, 12c.
Tortoise-Shell Hat Pins with sterling silver top, handsome things, $2.88.
Sterling Silver Breastpins, $1.20; smaller, 49c.
Silver Thimbles, 49, 70, and 90c.
Silver Card-Case, $2.25.
Pretty Glove-Buttoners with pearl handle, 25c.
Hosts of new and natty Stick-Pins, 4 to 10c.
Have you seen these new Cabinet Photo-Frames? Simple little dainties, 19c.
Opera-Glasses, by Le Maire, of Paris—the best; pearl, $11.50; silver and pearl, $22. Cheaper Glasses, not Le Maire's, tho', for $2.50.
Chamois Opera-Bags, any color, silk-lined, $1.25.

Right of Entrance.

If all humanity were misshapen of course the days of the ready-made SHIRT would be past. As it is, they are every day displacing the made-to-order sort. We can give you comfort and a perfect fit—even the sleeve the length to a T.

2200-linen bosom and every aid to the perfect shirt, 50c.
Finer and made as carefully as any custom-make, 2400-linen bosom, 75c.
The Gold Shirt, $1.

Here's some trade stimulators---

Men's Drawers, all sizes, fine Scotch wool, several weights—any $1. They've been $1.50, $2, $2.50, and $2.75. The shirts sold fastest.
Canton-Flannel Nightshirts, nicely made, 75c.
Heavy Outing Shirts, in dark solid colors and fancy stripes, 50, 75c., and $1.
One special lot of seasonable weight, have been $1.25 and $1.50, now $1.
These Camel's-Hair Shirts and Drawers of the $2 sort that we've put at $1.25 are hustling out. Seen them?
All-Wool Merino Shirts and Drawers, white; a special drive at $1.25—have been more.
75 dozen British Half-Hose, double sole; the 20c. sort for 12½c.
Handsome Brocaded Silk Mufflers, have been $1, $1.25, $1.50, and $2, are 75c., $1, $1.35, and $1.69.
25 dozen fleece-lined Gloves for driving or any warmth requirement, 25c.
Rolled-Gold Watch-Chains, leather-encased swivel, warranted five years. Been $2; are $1.50.

Left of Entrance.

Basement attractions tersely talked of---

Jardinieres—some majolica, some porcelain—35c. to $5.50.
Nickel-Plated Baking Dishes, granite-iron inner basin, 98c.—half value.
$1.98 French Hand-Painted Cuspadores, $1.
French and Dresden Art Cups and Saucers, been $1.50 to $2.50 the pair, are $1.25.
Same for souvenirs—really after-dinner size—been $1.25 to $2.25, are $1.
French China Salad Bowls, expensive styles of decoration—$2.50 for choice; been $3 to $5.
Cracker-Jars, been 90c.; are 50c. Been $3.50 to $5; are $3.
Art China Plates, been $1.25 and $1.50 each; are $1.
Kaga Vase, 29 inches high, was $12; is $7.
Tiplitz Vases that were $15 to $20, for $13.50.
India Vases, were $4.45; are $2.50.
Ivorine Figures, 18 inch, reduced to $2; some groups, too.

Basement.

THE COHEN CO.

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UNTIL THE

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THE ADVERTISER WOULD LIKE to communicate with some one who could furnish about $5,000 IN A SAFE PAYING BUSINESS. Address ADVERTISER, this office. de 29-1t*

DECEMBER 17, 1892.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an election for DIRECTORS OF THE ROSNEY IRON AND LUMBER COMPANY (limited), according to the provisions of the by-laws of said company, will be held at the office of the company, at Rosney, Buckingham county, Va., on JANUARY 9, 1893, between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock A. M. CHARLES T. REIFSNIDER, Secretary. de 20-2awtja5

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ARMSTRONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, of New York, will apply to the Treasurer of the State of Virginia at the expiration of thirty days from the date of the first publication of this notice for the withdrawal of the bonds deposited with said Treasurer by said company, such company having ceased to carry on business in the state of Virginia and its liabilities, whether fixed or contingent upon its policies to persons residing in the State of Virginia, having been satisfied, and that every policy of insurance issued by said company covering property in said State will have terminated prior to that date. ARMSTRONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., by P. B. ARMSTRONG, President. [Dated] NEW YORK, December 15, 1892. de 15-Th4t

BIG BARGAINS AT RICHMOND LOAN OFFICE in Diamonds, Gold and Silver Watches, Rings, Pins, Ear-Rings, Opera-Glasses, Chains, and variety of Jewelry suitable for Christmas presents. S. BACHRACH, 218 and 220 Ninth street. de 4-tDe30

WOODWARD & LOTHROP.

TEMPLE

DRY-GOODS STORE,

Corner Broad and Adams Streets,

Five Days' Remnant and Clearing Sale.

Every Remnant to be sold before Saturday night. This is in accord with our established policy of making each season's business take care of itself. We close the business year on Saturday, and it is a matter of pride as well as of business importance that we begin with the stock fresh and clean.

ODDS AND ENDS IN THE CLOAK DEPARTMENT ON THE CENTRE TABLES.

Our entire stock of LADIES' CALICO WRAPPERS, in gray and navy effects, all large sizes, 38, 40, 42, and 44.
Were $1.25—reduced price 50c.

7 LADIES' BLACK JERSEYS, trimmed, at half price. Sizes 32, 34, and 38.
Were $3.75—