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POETICAL. (From the N. Y. Freeman's Journal.) STAFF FIRM.

A song adapted to an exquisite German air, to which is sung at the North "The Song of the Guard." The storm has drifted far the wreck; The mainmast shatters slowly the deck; The flag lies furled in glory; Aye, somnolent, the fallen yards— Stand firm—The helm holds yet rewards; Your faithful shall write its story.

MISCELLANEOUS. The Banker's Seven-Shilling Piece.

It was during one of the great national panics, that a gentleman, who may be called Mr. Thompson—was seated, in some thing of a melancholy look, in his dreary bank room, watching his clerks pay away thousands of pounds hourly.

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The Southern Methodist Bishops.

Biographical Sketches in Brief. With the exception of Bishop Kavanaugh, who is now in California, all the Bishops of the Methodist Church South have arrived in Nashville, to attend the annual meeting, to be held at McKendree Church on Monday evening.

Bishop Andrew was born in Georgia, in 1794; entered the ministry in 1812; was ordained Deacon in 1814, Elder in 1816, and Bishop in 1832. Without learning, he made his way by the natural proficiency of his preaching, and the power of his pastoral labors.

Bishop Paine is a native of North Carolina; born in 1799; a Licentiate in 1818, a Deacon in 1822, his ordination having been delayed by the absence of Bishops; an Elder in 1824, and a Bishop in 1848.

Bishop Early was born in Virginia. He is believed to be in his eighty-second year. He was admitted to the Virginia Conference in 1807; was ordained Deacon in 1809, Elder in 1811, and Bishop in 1834.

Bishop Kavanaugh, a native of Kentucky, was born in 1803; entered the ministry in 1823; was ordained Deacon in 1824. He is a hearty Christian—very simple, very discreet, slow in the chair on a point of order, very reliable upon points of fact if time be given.

Bishop Marvin was born in Missouri, in 1822; was a Licentiate in 1841; ordained Deacon in 1843, Elder in 1845, and Bishop in 1866. He is below the medium height, with a head and face indicative of high intellect, yet his is really a man of very considerable ability and energy.

Bishop Duggitt was born in Virginia in 1810; entered the Conference in 1829; was ordained Deacon in 1832, Elder in 1838, and Bishop in 1866. He is slender, graceful, pleasant, cultivated and eloquent.

News Papers.

From a late lecture on newspapers, delivered by Rev. Dr. Witt Talnage, at Philadelphia, we make the following interesting extracts:—

The newspaper is the great educator of the nineteenth century. There is no force to compare with it. It is a book, pulpit, platform, forum, all in one.

The institution of newspapers arose in Italy. In Venice the first newspaper was published. The first newspaper published in England was in 1588.

Next to the Bible, the newspaper—swift-winged and ever present. Flying over the fences, shoving under the door, tossed into the counting-house, laid on the work bench, hawked through the ears!

In a speech delivered at Louisville by the Hon. H. Clay Dean, he said in speaking of the military reconstruction bill:—

But who are those people that are to be subjected to this kind of government? The South Carolinians and the Virginians?—

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Lewis McKenzie.

Editors of INDEX.—I have seen the name of Lewis McKenzie, for some time past, connected with all the Radical negro meetings in Alexandria and other places, in which he seems to be "bone of their bone and flesh of their flesh."

We cannot give a positive answer to your inquiry. We once knew by reputation a man named Lewis McKenzie, who was a gentleman of high standing in Alexandria.

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A somewhat singular matrimonial alliance occurred at Sing Sing, the other day. A gentleman of that place was engaged to a young lady, the wedding day was fixed and the guests invited.

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GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

At the recent election in Brooklyn, New York, for candidates to the State Convention, Henry Ward Beecher, who was one of the candidates was not only defeated but ran behind the rest of the Republican ticket in nearly every precinct.

Prussia has sent to the French Exhibition a large cannon, each discharge of which will cost a thousand francs and knock over 500 men.

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On last Tuesday and Wednesday three new born babies were foully murdered in N. Y. city, one was accidentally smothered, and one died from neglect.

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CHARLESTOWN, VA.

Tuesday Morning, May 7, 1867.

BERKELEY COUNTY.

Our friends in Berkeley, at Mill Creek and Darksville, are notified that we have established agencies for our paper at these points, and persons wishing to subscribe can do so by leaving their names with the following gentlemen:—

Mill Creek—GEORGE W. NORTH. Darksville—M. L. BARR.

These gentlemen are fully authorized to receipt for any money paid to them on account of Spirit of Jefferson and their receipts will be recognized by us. We hope some conservative friend at Martinsburg will do what he can to extend our circulation at that Post Office.

GENTLE READER, observe the red mark on the margin of your paper. It means that you have not paid for the present year, and are earnestly requested to do so. With some of you the year of subscription is nearly out, and if you have read the paper, we hope you will manifest your appreciation for it. We don't want money ourselves, but our creditors do, and we are anxious to gratify them.—Come and pay us, and we pledge you we will keep the money in circulation. Don't be backward.

OUR BIG SHOW.

In compliance with our promise, we visited Smithfield last week, in search of good points to enable us to present a faithful portrait of the main features of the leading radicals of Averill township, but a diligent inquiry failed to develop any new features that are not in precise accord with those already presented. All that we could gather was, that the radical leaders here, like their brethren of the other townships, are joined to their idols, which they worship with a soul-destroying devotion. In their transactions, some of them have been guilty of some very mean actions, both of an official and private nature, for which they deserve and will doubtless receive merited condemnation, in the good time coming. It is a matter of regret that justice is so tardy in its movements, and that judgment is so long delayed, but the fact is inevitable.

Unless there is a speedy repentance, and a deeper contrition than is required for ordinary sinners, Satan will have a more extensive exhibition, when these radicals reach his dominions, than any which we have entertained our readers. What may present itself to calve our columns next week, we know not; but the lines are big with events, and we are on the lookout. The Board of Registration met yesterday, and it is likely that we shall be forced to publish a chapter on their doings. We shall wait and see.

SOUTHERN RELIEF.

We are gratified to be able to report that there have been sent forward for the relief of the Southern people, two thousand seven hundred and fifty bushels of corn, five thousand six hundred pounds of bacon, and eight barrels of flour, from Jefferson county. In addition to these articles of food, a lot of woollen goods contributed by C. C. Porter, and Messrs. Timberlake, Young & Co., has been transferred by the county executive committee, to the managers of the Ladies' Depository of Baltimore, who have kindly undertaken to make up the cloth into suitable garments and distribute them through the reliable agents whom they have established for their charitable work in the South. The above exhibit is highly creditable to the people of the county, but we sincerely hope that it is not to show the sum total of their efforts in behalf of our perishing countrymen. We believe that the liberality of the county is not to be measured by results such as these, highly praiseworthy though they be. We feel satisfied that there are contributions awaiting the committees who have been appointed to solicit them. We hope these latter will renew their efforts in this holy and pious work of relief, and report their success promptly to the Executive Committee, who are ready to extend to them every assistance in their power.

On Wednesday night last, we attended a meeting of the freedmen, in Martinsburg, which was addressed by Gen. Charles H. Howard, and other officials of the bureau.—These addresses were in the main temperate and sensible, and the advice given the freedmen, would, if followed, lead to good results. They were exhorted to prove themselves worthy of the liberty bestowed upon them by avoiding idleness, and by laboring to make themselves self-sustaining and independent; and they were plainly given to understand that the measure of respect and assistance they would command, would be in exact proportion to their own efforts to merit it. The impropriety of their congregating in the towns and cities was forcibly urged upon them, and they were told to quit the haunts of vice and temptation and go into the country where their labor was needed. Altogether, the efforts of the bureau on this occasion were creditable.

Gen. Howard told those who were without work, with no probability of obtaining it, that he was prepared to offer them employment, at remunerative prices. In the course of his remarks, in alluding to the avenues of labor which were opening up to the freedmen, he cited the fact that he had received an order for five hundred to go to Michigan, where they would have employment on the public works of that State. This kind of work, he said, had heretofore been in the hands of the Irish and other foreigners, but now the freedmen, if they proved themselves worthy, would take the place of these foreigners, and supercede them in this kind of labor. An important item to this class of our population which has contributed so materially to the success of the republican party in the Northern States. These places are to be filled with the former slaves of the South. Did they contemplate with miserable longing for the unparalleled and unparelleled lot of the unparoled and unparoled negro? We doubt it.

BERKELEY COUNTY.

We spent a portion of last week in this sister county, for which we feel a stronger attachment on account of her association with us in bearing the shackles of West Virginia tyranny—a tyranny in comparison with which the confinement of Bonaparte at St. Helena was possessed of many mitigating circumstances. This fastening to the car of despotism is the more intolerable because of the high carnival of villainy which it is perpetuating, and because too of the semblance of government, which every honest man feels is a government of the lawless and unprincipled—a government under whose depraved reign rascality is at a high premium and uprightness at a terrible discount.

Like the people of our own county, the honest masses of Berkeley, who have felt the galling yoke that has fettered them for the past three years, are willing to accept any change; knowing that a worse fate cannot befall them, and that all probabilities favor a better fortune. To hope, is instinctive, and like us, our Berkeley friends feel upon this, with a kind of intuitive faith that the day cannot be remote when the money changers shall be driven from the temple, and the bond-forgers shall be scourged from the back of the torrap, and things more severe than a whipping shall be meted out to those who wait to see the effect of his lie as it is—feel that of our people in Berkeley, we feel comparatively amiable, and experience some slight promptings to return thanks that radicalism—mean, and loathsome, and repugnant as it is, even in its mild form—has its degrees of torture, and that we are afflicted with a milder type of the malignant disease which is festering the heart and seeping the happiness, and even life itself, in Berkeley county. But this extended introduction is not pertinent to the object we had in view when we commenced to write of our trip to Berkeley. To look at the brighter phase of the picture is always more agreeable, and to this we now turn, with a measure of gratitude that the blessings of Providence fall alike upon the just and the unjust.

BUNKER HILL.

After quitting our own beautiful county, whose verdant fields and flowing streams, cheered our despondency, the first point of interest reached in our trip was Bunker Hill, where we spent the night and a portion of the day, renewing old, and forming new acquaintances. Here we met our esteemed friend and former county-man, Mr. William D. North, with whom we had a long and agreeable interview, recounting the past and endeavoring to scan the future. At this point reconstruction has not reached a very advanced stage, and many of the rude sentiments of war's desolation yet stand to give melancholy greeting. Something has been done however, and this something it is our purpose to notice. Messrs. Robt. Lamson & George W. North have recently erected a creditable store-house, in which they are carrying on the mercantile business, and from the indications, we judge with a good degree of encouragement. Their shelves are well-filled with useful and fancy articles, and they are young gentlemen possessed of that spirit of accommodation which, connected with energy, is a sure guarantee of success.

Being detained at Bunker Hill by the storm, until near noon of Wednesday, we mounted our steed and started off in the direction of Darksville,—a village which like our own Middleway, luxuriates in a plurality of names,—being sometimes called Buckles-town. The weather still bearing a threatening aspect, and desiring friendly quarters, and hospitable store, we sought the home of our friend and former commandant, Col. Jacob Sinepford, who we were pleased to find in the enjoyment of health and still possessed of that fervid fire of patriotism which is unquenchable by kings, or courts, or even West Virginia despotism. We had no opportunity to talk over our mutual trials "by flood and fire," when we both hoped that in prospective there was a government suited to our tastes, and that the "smoothing of the wrinkled front of grim-visaged war" would leave us in the enjoyment of all the rights, privileges and immunities of citizens of a grand confederation, around which would be clustered and centered the affections of a happy and prosperous people. Our time was limited to enter upon the discussion of these pleasant, but unhappily dissipated anticipations. We talked of the present, but we thought of the past. Another feature of interest in this visit to our old friend, we must not more than allude to now, because of the fact that more than an eighth of a century ago we made selection of a piece of calico, and formed an alliance which is to last through the term of natural life. We must say, however, that dark eyes have ever exercised a sweetly tormenting influence over us, and we infinitely prefer their sway to the despotism of West Virginia radicalism.—Starting from this point, we proceeded to DARKSVILLE.

As the day was fast hastening to its termination, we spent but little time at this place. Our brief sojourn was sufficient, however, to convince us that there are a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments. We met with some warm conversationalists who spoke the approving word of our efforts to expose the rascalities of the powers that be, and gave us their names as subscribers to the Spirit. From this point we proceeded to the county-seat.

MARTINSBURG.

which we reached as evening was dropping its sombre curtain over the face of nature.—We were glad to find here, as at other points in the county, at least one healthy indication of the state of affairs among those who constitute the conservative party. They hate radicalism with a praiseworthy and commendable intensity. We do not mean that the miserable creatures who are now baking and frolicking in the flickering light of present place and power—for they are in depths unfathomably beneath the reach of any feeling of disgust or contempt of which the honest masses are possessed—but we mean that these places are to be filled with the former slaves of the South. Did they contemplate with miserable longing for the unparalleled and unparelleled lot of the unparoled and unparoled negro? We doubt it.

petrated under the persecuted, prostituted, and reviled catch-words, "loyalty." And here, as in our county, it needs but a fearless grappling with these epithets, and an impartial exposition of the dishonesty of the leading pro-secessionists, to bring about a re-acton which shall usher the dawn of a brighter day. In its outward appearance, Martinsburg has improved, and notwithstanding the reign of terror, has many indications of prosperity. We were glad to witness this, for human nature would inevitably pale, and sicken, and die, if there were not some alleviating prospect.—While here we stopped at the "Everest House," now under the proprietorship of Mr. Henry Wilson, whose accommodations for man and beast we can cordially commend to persons visiting Martinsburg.

THE REGISTER MAN.

To us the readers of the Shepherdstown Register are indebted for the only sprightly article that has graced its columns since it resumed publication, and even in this there is a redundancy of the personal pronouns "we" and "our," which would do credit to the most self-satisfied egotist. The little pass which we made at the editor last week, has had the effect which is said to follow the application of a hot iron to the back of the torrap, and render it a worthy resting place for the heroic Confederate dead, who sleep in peace beneath its green sod.

LETTERS HOME GAZETTE.—We welcome to our exchange list, this Southern Parlor Journal. It is printed on a large quarter-sheet, and is made up of such matters as are suited to the tastes of Southern readers; though nothing of a sectional nature is admitted into its columns. Its object is to promote the interests of Southern Literature, and to supply a demand which has been felt more since the war than at any time previous. Those who wish a purely literary journal should subscribe for it. Address Jno. S. Prather & Co., Atlanta, Ga.

JEFFERSON BASK BALL CLUB.—At the reorganization meeting of this Club, on Saturday evening the 4th inst., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:— President.—Wm. H. Travers, Esq. Vice President.—Geo. W. Hanson. Secretary.—Joseph B. Ashbaugh. Treasurer.—Henry Dumm. Umpire.—M. S. Brown. Directors.—A. S. Small, William Moore and Chas. G. Johnson.

DELICIOUS.—One day last week our enterprising friend, HENRY DUMM, of the Valley Confectionery Store, greatly relieved the wants of the "inner man" of the hands of this office, by sending them a delicious cake, for which he will please accept their thanks. Dumm's is the place to get good, rich and well-baked cakes, candies, &c., &c. We advise all who desire anything in his line to give him a call.

LOSS.—On Wednesday last, a fine cow, belonging to Mr. JOHN J. LOCK, was thrown from the railroad track near the Depot at this place, after repeated efforts of the engineer to scare her off by means of the steam whistle. A short time ago, a fine horse belonging to Ben Hart (colored) was killed near the same place. BARLEY never stops for trifling obstacles!

THE LAND WAR LOVE.—The May number of this first class magazine is on our table. It comes to us with a new and beautifully designed front-piece, which adds much to its attractiveness. It is unnecessary for us to say more in commendation of it than we have said heretofore as the work will show for itself. ARTHUR W. LAWES is the agent at this place.

MASONIC.—The cornerstone of the Masonic Temple in Winchester, is to be laid on the 29th of May. A large procession of this time honored fraternity is anticipated. Wm. H. Travers, Esq., of this town, we understand, will deliver the address on the occasion. An extra train is expected to run on that day.

VISITORS.—During last week our town was visited by Gen. O. O. HOWARD, and other U. S. officers. We understand their visit was in regard to the freedmen, and that they were satisfied with the condition of affairs in our community.

THE BOYS AND GIRLS MONTHLY FOR MAY has been received, and as usual, is full of interesting and instructive matter for the young. It is published by Messrs. Baird, 1011 Main street, Richmond, Va.

Pic-Nic at Unionville.—On strolling through Unionville yesterday, our attention was attracted to a collection of girls and boys, assembled in the Lutheran Church yard. A joyous band kindly invited us to join them in their school picnic. As it was about a good dinner hour, (1 o'clock, P. M.) for an hungry pedestrian, the invitation was gratefully accepted. On entering the church-yard—a beautiful green lawn, we were agreeably surprised to see a table, some 4 feet by 25, spread with snow white linen, beautifully supplied with nice variety of substantial and palatable edibles, which were tastefully arranged. An abundance of lemonade was at hand—all gotten up by the pupils of the school. In the course of a few minutes dinner was announced, from forty-seven juveniles, of various ages—from 6 years to 15, quietly arranged themselves around the well-spread board. Rive of the senior scholars, girls of course, appropriately adorned with floral wreaths, acted the part of hostesses; and handsomely did they perform their task—agreeably circulating themselves around the table, and kindly administering to the wants of their school companions, all of whom greatly enjoyed the May-day feast. They had selected a bright, sunny faced little girl for their Queen, but she chose rather to mingle with her would-be subjects, than be attired in regal robes and sit upon a throne. The repeat order, the dishes removed, and the number of which the table was constructed being taken away, then—

With faces cheerful, and spirits buoyant, bright and gay; With joyous youthful spirits, they kindly welcomed smiling May. This occasion will doubtless form one among their most pleasing memories. We lingered near the happy scene for an hour or more, becoming almost rejuvenated, then turning away, we found ourselves trying to whistle "Would I were a boy again."—May the sun of happiness ever smile upon them. JEFFERSON Co., Va., May 8, 1867.

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

FRIS SHAD.—The firm of Trassell & Co., one of the most enterprising in this town, have laid us under obligations for a pair of delicious shad, such as editors only know how to appreciate. We need not speak particularly of these fish, as the firm will daily have on hand "more of the same sort" while the season continues, with a full supply of the "smaller fry," which they will dispose of by the barrel or hundred. If you do not wish to indulge in fish, this same firm have on hand a thousand and one other articles for the benefit of the inner, and the adornment of the outer man. The ladies too will find here many articles suited to their style of dress, which can be purchased at rates that seem very reasonable.

EDGE HILL CEMETERY.—This beautiful resting place for the dead, which was so wantonly desecrated during the recent war, is now being finely improved. Under the superintending of the President, THOMAS RUTHERFORD, Esq., the old walks that were filled up are being cut out, new ones made, and the whole of the grounds undergoing a general cleaning up, which when finished will give Edge Hill quite a general appearance, and render it a worthy resting place for the heroic Confederate dead, who sleep in peace beneath its green sod.

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THE LAND WAR LOVE.—The May number of this first class magazine is on our table. It comes to us with a new and beautifully designed front-piece, which adds much to its attractiveness. It is unnecessary for us to say more in commendation of it than we have said heretofore as the work will show for itself. ARTHUR W. LAWES is the agent at this place.

MASONIC.—The cornerstone of the Masonic Temple in Winchester, is to be laid on the 29th of May. A large procession of this time honored fraternity is anticipated. Wm. H. Travers, Esq., of this town, we understand, will deliver the address on the occasion. An extra train is expected to run on that day.

VISITORS.—During last week our town was visited by Gen. O. O. HOWARD, and other U. S. officers. We understand their visit was in regard to the freedmen, and that they were satisfied with the condition of affairs in our community.

THE BOYS AND GIRLS MONTHLY FOR MAY has been received, and as usual, is full of interesting and instructive matter for the young. It is published by Messrs. Baird, 1011 Main street, Richmond, Va.

Pic-Nic at Unionville.—On strolling through Unionville yesterday, our attention was attracted to a collection of girls and boys, assembled in the Lutheran Church yard. A joyous band kindly invited us to join them in their school picnic. As it was about a good dinner hour, (1 o'clock, P. M.) for an hungry pedestrian, the invitation was gratefully accepted. On entering the church-yard—a beautiful green lawn, we were agreeably surprised to see a table, some 4 feet by 25, spread with snow white linen, beautifully supplied with nice variety of substantial and palatable edibles, which were tastefully arranged. An abundance of lemonade was at hand—all gotten up by the pupils of the school. In the course of a few minutes dinner was announced, from forty-seven juveniles, of various ages—from 6 years to 15, quietly arranged themselves around the well-spread board. Rive of the senior scholars, girls of course, appropriately adorned with floral wreaths, acted the part of hostesses; and handsomely did they perform their task—agreeably circulating themselves around the table, and kindly administering to the wants of their school companions, all of whom greatly enjoyed the May-day feast. They had selected a bright, sunny faced little girl for their Queen, but she chose rather to mingle with her would-be subjects, than be attired in regal robes and sit upon a throne. The repeat order, the dishes removed, and the number of which the table was constructed being taken away, then—

With faces cheerful, and spirits buoyant, bright and gay; With joyous youthful spirits, they kindly welcomed smiling May. This occasion will doubtless form one among their most pleasing memories. We lingered near the happy scene for an hour or more, becoming almost rejuvenated, then turning away, we found ourselves trying to whistle "Would I were a boy again."—May the sun of happiness ever smile upon them. JEFFERSON Co., Va., May 8, 1867.

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

SATURDAY, May 4.—The sales of Gold today amounted to \$29,000, and over. The opening price was 130 1/2, and closing the same. Holders of Flour are generally very firm. There were 200 barrels of choice Howard Street Extra sold at \$15, and 100 barrels of City Mills spring wheat Extra at \$13.50.—Welch's family is quoted at \$18. The receipts of wheat to-day were only 700 bushels. A lot of 363 bushels good Maryland red brought \$9.82; no other transactions reported. Of corn the offerings were 10,000 bushels white, and 8,600 bushels yellow. Sales were 5,400 bushels prime white at \$1.26@1.27; 3,000 bushels Western and Southern mixed at \$1.20@1.25; 5,000 bushels prime yellow at \$1.25@1.30, mostly at the inside figure. Oats sold at 74 to 76 cents.

Chief Justice Chase and the Trial of Mr. Davis.

The correspondent of the Baltimore Sun writes as follows:— WASHINGTON, May 2.—I have it to night from a reliable source, that Chief Justice Chase unqualifiedly declines to preside in the United States Circuit Court in the State of Virginia, upon the same grounds as those that determined his action on this subject heretofore, viz. that the civil law in that State is dependent on the military and subject to the decision of executive officers of the government. Whilst this condition of affairs lasts, the Chief Justice thinks it does not comport with the dignity of a judge of the United States Supreme Court to preside in circuit courts held in districts under jurisdiction of military officers.

This finally determines the question whether or not at any time during this year there will be a trial of Mr. Davis, unless it be agreed that Judge Underwood shall preside alone. A few days will determine this, and if Mr. Davis shall not be tried by Judge Underwood, there is good authority for saying that the prisoner will be released from custody immediately upon the showing of such facts to the Executive.

The Alexandria State Journal of Wednesday contains the following:

Application was made to-day to his Honor, Judge Underwood, of the United States District Court by the counsel of Jeff Davis for a writ of habeas corpus in his behalf, and the same was granted, returnable before the Circuit Court of this district on the second Monday of this month at Richmond. The counsel appearing here to-day was George Shea, Esq., of New York city. We understand the object of the writ is to trial Mr. Davis before the court with a view to trial or discharge. It remains to be seen whether General Burton, commandant at Fortress Monroe, will produce Mr. Davis in court.

Message of Governor of Connecticut.

HARTFORD, MAY 1.—The Connecticut Legislature organized to-day. Gov. English has his message, says the situation of public affairs, viewed in every aspect, is important. He urges that as citizens of a common country we should strive to extinguish the vindictive and resentful feelings engendered by the late civil war, and to maintain the supremacy of the Federal Constitution and the integrity of the national honor.

The great object of the war, he says, is not attained. The Union is not restored. Ten States are denied participation in the National Government by the action of Congress. Such measures, if persisted in, will transform the Republic into a despotism. He deems the course of legislation pursued by Congress wholly unwarrantable, and as fatal to the Constitution and the Union as secession.

The legislation of the Thirtieth Congress was to a large extent a series of usurpations and infractions of the Constitution. He argues that Congress has no more power under the Constitution to establish military governments in the Southern States than to institute an order of nobility in England, and claims that Congress assumed that power only for the purpose of more thoroughly accomplishing the subversion of State authority. If Congress can legislate for those States, it is difficult to see how it can interfere in other States and the rights of States to regulate internal affairs in their own way.

EXPLOIT OF A "NATIONAL" BANK PRESIDENT.—A special dispatch from Selma, Ala., says: Our city has just witnessed a financial operation which, for brilliancy of conception and boldness of execution, would have done credit to Wall Street. A national bank was established here last week, and last week our citizens were startled by the announcement that it had been robbed of \$160,000 in broad daylight, and while the president was at his desk. Singularly enough, no one was in the establishment at the time, and he promptly published a card exonerating the cashier and subordinate officers of the bank from all responsibility. The bank was taken in charge by the military authorities the day after this "robbery," however, and its officers, including Mr. Parkham, the president, were put under arrest, although they were allowed to go at large on parole. Meanwhile General Swayne commenced an investigation into the affair, and no sooner had he got to work than Mr. Parkham disappeared. It is stated that the capital of the bank was never paid in; that the circulation was used to pay for the bonds upon which it was obtained, and that the bonds deposited to secure the government deposits were borrowed.

THE VIRGINIA GOLD DIGGINES.—The Washington Star learns that nearly all the companies which have located on the gold lands in the vicinity of the Great Falls, are busily engaged in mining or otherwise preparing to develop their claims, and the indications are that the most, if not all of them, will pay. Recently Mr. Moses Feby has found some very fine specimens of gold bearing quartz on his land in Virginia—some very rich—and we learn that parties from the North are negotiating with him for the privilege of working the vein. Mr. Feby's farm is less than three miles from Georgetown, and just beyond him Dr. Gregory is busily engaged in developing his claims.

—We learn that by order of the Postoffice Department, the U. S. District Attorney has instituted suits against two hundred and forty Virginia Postmasters and their bondsmen, who it is alleged are delinquent to that department. Most of these Postmasters were in office previous to the war.

—The Richmond Times has been notified by an official order from Gen. Schofield that some remarks in that paper are calculated to create strife, and warned against repetition.

—The Richmond Dispatch mentions that there are "still many handsome articles left for raffis at the Memorial Bazaar,"—among them "a Bible one hundred and fifty years old."

—For the first time Virginia has a colored Notary, and Richmond City and Henrico county are first represented. On Tuesday the Governor appointed John Oliver, a well-known colored citizen, a Notary Public for the above mentioned city and county.

Stevens on Confiscation.

Thad Stevens has written a letter for publication, commenting upon the remarks in Senator Wilson's late speech at Hampton, Va., in which he said there would be no impediment to the admission of Southern representatives in Congress, if Union men were elevated, &c. Mr. Stevens, in his letter, says, "no man should make any promise for the party. By what authority does any one say that Virginia will elect two loyal Senators, when there is no Virginia?" He concludes as follows:— "Who is authorized to travel the country and peddle out amnesty? I would say to the most guilty, expect punishment and then quietude; but first a mild confiscation to pay those who have been robbed by disloyal men. These are my wishes, and mine only, perhaps."

A Remarkable Suicide.

In the Times of yesterday morning appeared the melancholy announcement of the suicide of Mrs. Elizabeth Haines, wife of Mr. Braxton J. Haines, of Charles City county, which occurred on Monday last. What could have been the incentive which led to the terrible deed, is a profound mystery, as her domestic relations were of the most congenial character, and she had health and everything of comfort around her. Mrs. Haines had only been married a few months. She was a Miss Goddin, and was the niece of Mr. Wellington Goddin of this city. The particulars of the distressing affair are as follows:—

On Monday evening, after the family had broken up, Mrs. Haines repaired to his sitting room for the purpose of arranging some accounts, and shortly after called his wife to assist him in so doing. She made no reply to the request, but asked him where his pistol was. On being informed that it was in a drawer, she took it out and asked her husband to load it for her. He declined, and inquired what she wanted it loaded for. Her reply was that she intended killing herself, and if he would load the pistol for her she would do it herself. Mr. Haines paid no attention to this, and continued to examine his accounts till he was interrupted by his wife the second time, who asked why the ball would go down the barrel of the weapon. He took it from her, and finding that the bullet was too large, trimmed it off so that it would fit, and then handed it back to his wife. Subsequently upon her reiterating the threat to kill herself, Mr. Haines asked her to give him the pistol, but she refused to do so, and it was only after a struggle that he again secured it. This time Mr. Haines went to the porch, fired off the weapon, and returned it to the drawer where he had been in the habit of keeping it. Soon after, his wife again got the pistol and set down by him to load it, after accomplishing which she handed it to her husband asking him to say it. Knowing that she frequently indulged in pistol shooting, he thought nothing of her saying she intended to commit suicide, and accordingly put the cap on the weapon and handed it back to her. Mrs. Haines then left the house, and her husband proceeded with his accounts. Shortly afterwards he heard the report of the pistol, and immediately ran to the door to see what had happened, when the first sight which caught his eye was Mrs. Haines, with uplifted arms, running towards him, and crying "save me." He caught her as she was about fainting and bore her into the house, where she lingered only about fifteen minutes before she died. Previous to her death she called for water, but was unable to swallow any, owing to profuse hemorrhage from the lungs. Upon examination it was ascertained that the fatal missile had entered the right lung and passed obliquely down towards the spine. She assigned no reason for the range set, and her last words to her husband were those of endurance and importunities for his departure. From a little son of Mr. Haines, who was witness of the affair, it seems that as soon as Mrs. Haines left the house she went into the garden, and after walking around the pathways several times, with the pistol in her hand, she then put it to her breast, and bidding the child "good-by," fired the fatal shot.—Richmond Times.

An Elopement in High Life from Staunton.

An elopement occurred in Staunton a few days since, the particulars of which, as we learn, are that Mrs. Lushbaugh, a young married lady endowed with rare beauty and high literary attainments, eloped with Mr. Gilkie, a gay Lothario who had been enjoying a month or more in that town. He is young and strikingly handsome, and with pleasing manners, and has visited nearly every climate on the globe. He was frequently at the house of the outraged husband, but G. had never given him the slightest cause to suspect that he was making any improper advances or proposals to his wife. Having arranged all the preliminaries for their departure, the heartless woman, at the mid-hour of night, deserted a devoted husband to travel with a mere adventurer to parts unknown.

The husband pursued this loving twin to Washington city, but finding it impossible to overtake them or to learn in which direction they had gone, concluded to abandon further pursuit, and returned to his home with a grief-stricken heart. Mrs. L. was taken by an old gentleman of Staunton when but an infant, and in the most indigent circumstances, and was sent to the best female institutions in the State until she was thoroughly educated, and until this sad occurrence was an ornament to the circle in which she moved, and had many influential friends in Staunton.—Richmond Dispatch.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.

The Rev. George C. Cummins, Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, will remain in Staunton, Va., May 12th, at 11 o'clock in the afternoon.

DR. WM. A. MCCORMICK,

Dentist.

Will visit Charlottesville, professionally, the second Monday and remain in Staunton, Va., on July 1st, August 1st, September 1st, October 1st, November 1st, and December 1st.

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MY TERMS SHALL BE MODERATE, and made known previous to any operation. He can be found at all times during the day at his office in the BARBERS HOUSE, Charlottesville, Va. A complimentary reference given where desired. (July 24, 1866—15.)

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LIFE OF GEN. TURNER ASHBY,

BY REV. J. B. AVIRETT, FOR SALE BY CAMPBELL & MASON.

MASONIC TEXT BOOK.

WE have just received the 3d Edition of the Virginia Text Book, and are prepared to furnish Lodge and individuals with the very best copies they may want. CAMPBELL & MASON. May 8, 1867.

NEW BOOKS.

MOSBY and his Men, by Crawford; Early's Last Year of the War, just received and for sale by CAMPBELL & MASON.

NEW GOODS!

I HAVE received my stock of SPRING GOODS, and respectfully solicit an inspection by the public. H. L. HENSELL. May 7, 1867.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

OUR Accounts to the 1st of May are ready; all persons indebted to us will please come forward and settle. ALSCOTT & BRO. May 7, 1867.

ICE CREAM! ICE CREAM!

HENRY DUMM. A NNOUNCEMENT to his old customers and the public generally, that he will hereafter have on hand daily, at his Confectionery, on Main street, the best quality of ICE CREAM, made in the most fashionable manner, and at as reasonable rates as it can be furnished elsewhere. May 7, 1867.

TRUSTEES "Wheat" Raw Bone Phosphate, for sale, just received and for sale by HANSON & DUKES. May 7, 1867.

CHESTER'S Patent Self-Regulating Grain Separator, Cleaners and Baggers, for sale by HANSON & DUKES. May 7, 1867.

PURE White and Yellow Seed Corn for sale by BARRIS & LUE. May 7.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

EVERY BODY SHOULD USE ROBERTS' EXPECTORANT Wild Cherry Tonic.

FOR Diseases of the Chest, Liver, Kidneys, Lungs, Stomach, Bowels, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Dropsy, Catarrhs, Rheumatism, Gout, Gravel, &c. and as a Blood Purifier it has no Equal.

A Sure Preventative and Cure of Fever and Ague, Intermittent and Bilious Fevers. No Family should be without it. Sold by Druggists, Dealers, and Exporters.

J. ROBERTS, Sole Proprietor, Lancaster, Pa. 43-45 SOUTH & BRO., Druggists, Agents, Charleston, W. Va., February 26, 1887-6m.

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EXECUTOR'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, IN JEFFERSON COUNTY.

THE undersigned, as executor of Samuel D. Bry air, deceased, will sell at Public Sale, at the late residence of said deceased, about three miles from the city of Charleston, West Virginia.

WEDNESDAY, 24th day of May, 1887, at all valuable FARM KNOWN as "The Bend," containing about 316 ACRES.

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THE improvements consist of a large, well finished and commodious DWELLING HOUSE, a large barn, and other outbuildings.

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NEW GOODS. A large stock of new goods, including fabrics, notions, and household items.

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DAVID H. COCKRILL, ARCHITECT AND BUILDER, CHARLESTOWN, JEFFERSON CO., VIRGINIA.

FOR the very liberal patronage extended to me since my removal from Charleston to this place, I have had an experience of years in the CARPENTER & HOUSE JOINING BUSINESS.

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NOTICES.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, Shepherdstown, W. Va. TO THE CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF ALFRED M. BARROUR.

YOU are hereby notified that at the request of Mrs. Kate D. Barbour, Executrix of Alfred M. Barbour, I have appointed the 23rd day of May 1887, as my office in Shepherdstown, for receiving proof of debts or demands against the said decedent or his estate.

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Oh! she was beautiful and fair, With stars of eyes and radiant hair, Whose curling tendrils soft and sweet, Enchanted the very heart and mind.

For Curling the Hair of either Sex into Wavy and Glossy Ringlets or Heavy Masses of Hair.

By using this article Ladies and Gentlemen can beautify themselves a thousand fold. It is the only article in the world that will curl straight hair, and at the same time give it a beautiful glossy appearance.

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