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If any person can find a better time to subscribe for the Free Press than the present, we might remind them that on the first of July papers can be sent to any distance not exceeding thirty miles, free of postage.

HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS of Virginia.

Many of our readers will recollect that Mr. Howe visited this County last summer, gathering materials for his work.

VALUABLE FACTORY SITES.

Mr. Edward N. Dickerson, Civil Engineer, has been called upon to make an instrument.

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THE WHEATFIELD INN.

This establishment, owned by friend Melrose, says the Winchester Republican, seems to be winning favor with all who try its excellent accommodations.

MERCHANTS HOTEL, BALTIMORE.

We would direct attention to the advertisement of this establishment now under the proprietorship of Messrs. Cumming & Hopkins.

GEN. QUITMAN, GEN. FOOTE, GOV. McNUITT, and a half dozen others, are competitors for the post of U. S. Senator from the State of Mississippi, in place of Mr. Walker.

A Late Hour.

We learn from the Herald that the town clock of Mobile got on something of a frolic the other day, and when it should have struck eleven, the ponderous hammer pronounced the hour of sixty eight, and at twelve o'clock it informed the fear-stricken citizens that it was just one hundred and thirty nine o'clock. A rather late hour, we should think.

BANK OF THE VALLEY.

The stockholders of this institution met on Wednesday the 21st inst. at the Banking House in Winchester, for the purpose of choosing Directors for the ensuing year.

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RETROSPECTION.

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The Richmond Enquirer, as a proper retrospection in these times of quiet, proposes to carry us back, for meditation and instruction, to the "Missouri Question."

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ARRIVAL OF THE BRITANNIA.

When Mr. Polk assumed to himself the duties of the petty justice, and issued his circular in regard to the Clarks, in the Departments, we regretted that the proceedings were so unworthy only of a man, who took pleasure in harassing and tyrannizing over the weak and defenceless. That this despicable motive was the operating one, is made manifest by the manner, in which the rule was carried out. It is only those who are friends, who are subjected to its harsh conditions. The bankrupt members of Congress, and the big defaulter, who have friends, are still as dear to the Clerk as Mr. Polk; and while a poor bankrupt speculator is elevated to the most confidential and important posts in the Government. The same even-handed justice was observed in respect to duelling, by a poor Lieutenant in the army was cashiered for having been engaged in a blood-duel; while a rich member of our Congress, who had killed his man, under circumstances of high aggression, was appointed to a lucrative office! This is the magnanimous justice of a Democratic President.—Rich. Waig.

LOCOCOFO MALIGNITY.

Not content with vilifying the character of Henry Clay, whilst he was before the country as a public man, the Locofocoes still throwing out, by insinuation, during the late campaign, the friends of Mr. Clay have thought proper to relieve him from embarrassments brought on by others than himself, some of the Locofoco equalls, whose littleness of soul is only equalled by their malignity of heart, are thrusting forth their impertinence, and trying to make the ignorant believe that Henry Clay has received from his childhood money out of the Public Treasury; and that on this late day, has called on his friends to relieve the above in a locofoco paper, and displays a singular degree of malice. The writer of it could not have been ignorant of the fact that Mr. Clay's embarrassments grew out of his generosity in the hands of ex-Secretary Walker, when he came to the Treasury. 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