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New Fashions. MRS. MARIA E. JONES has just returned from Baltimore, bringing with her the latest styles of BONNETS.

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May I speak freely, Cora? "Oh, no," cried Cora, in a tone of distress - for though something of a flirt, she was not a flirt in the vulgar sense.

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PRESIDENT MAKING.

The Alexandria Gazette this depicts any attempt on the part of the Washington politicians to forestall the action of the people themselves in regard to the Presidency.

Every indication from Washington, proclaims that the approaching session of Congress is to be one of political maneuver on the part of politicians and the friends of the different aspirants for the office of President, and that much of the time will be consumed in selection for the interest of the different parties of the country.

The House of Representatives had four votes on Monday night electing a Speaker. The Whigs, the Democrats, the Know Nothings, and the Unionists, were all present.

PROBABILITIES OF PEACE IN EUROPE.

"Oberver," the intelligent European correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger, writes to the Editor, says the chances of peace have wonderfully increased, and continue to do so, since the winter has set in, and rendered further operations in the Crimea and the Balkan impossible. We quote from his letter:

Before I left Germany I was quite satisfied that the governments there wanted peace, and it was for this reason that Austria was paying attention and care to the treaty of London, and was not making any other arrangements for the continuation of the war.

THE MURDER OF MR. TRONE AT RICHMOND.

The telegraph has already mentioned that Mr. Wm. H. Trone, a Virginia citizen, was shot in the room of the Baltimore Hotel, on the evening of the 23d inst., by John Thomas G. Banks, of Columbus, Mississippi.

It appears that Mr. Trone when in the bar-room of the Baltimore Hotel, was acquainted with a man, who he had seen at a certain time, and who he had seen at a certain time, and who he had seen at a certain time.

THE SUICIDES.

From the Philadelphia North American. On the 20th ultimo, Rev. Robert Smith, GEORGE C. HARRIS and Miss MARY V., daughter of John Smith, of Winchester, were shot in the room of a Baltimore Hotel, on the evening of the 23d inst., by Rev. J. Sumner, Joseph H. Wiginton and Miss Mary C. Despenier.

On the 13th ultimo, at Harper's Ferry, JOB N. COOKES and Miss LAVINA, daughter of the late Rev. Wm. G. Cooke, were shot in the room of a Baltimore Hotel, on the evening of the 23d inst., by Rev. J. Sumner, Joseph H. Wiginton and Miss Mary C. Despenier.

THE CELEBRATED HYDRO-THURAL CHURN,

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South Carolina is in the following manner in the Legislature, in the following manner in the Legislature, in the following manner in the Legislature.

Bank of the Valley of Virginia, Incorporated. Capital, \$1,000,000. Surplus, \$100,000. Deposits, \$500,000.

Important Discovery. A discovery has been made in the State of Virginia, which is of great importance to the people of that State.

Escape of a Convict. A convict named C. Crawford, made his escape from the penitentiary at Richmond, on the 1st inst., and is believed to have fled to the State of Maryland.

Saturday Bulletin. A bulletin from the State of Virginia, dated Saturday, December 6, 1855, contains the following news.

The Meadows of America. The meadows of America are of great value to the people of that State, and it is necessary to take care of them.

Nebraska in Missouri. Nebraska is a Territory in the State of Missouri, and it is necessary to take care of it.

Garland's Commission. A commission has been granted to Garland, of the State of Virginia, to investigate the matter in hand.

Parsons in Virginia. Parsons, of the State of Virginia, is in the State of Virginia, and it is necessary to take care of him.

Execution of C. P. Smith. C. P. Smith, of the State of Virginia, was executed on the 1st inst., and it is necessary to take care of his estate.

Representation in Congress. The representatives of the State of Virginia are in Congress, and it is necessary to take care of them.

Richard's Generosity. Richard, of the State of Virginia, is generous to the poor, and it is necessary to take care of him.

Curious Facts About the Presidents. Curious facts about the Presidents of the United States, and it is necessary to take care of them.

Small Bit of Romance with a Large Slice of Reality. A small bit of romance with a large slice of reality, and it is necessary to take care of it.

Local Memoranda. Local memoranda from the State of Virginia, and it is necessary to take care of them.

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Strays. Strays are hereby advertised, and it is necessary to take care of them.

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MISSOURI HOTEL, corner Main and Morgan streets, only 100 squares from the Post Office.

W. W. STEPHENSON, Proprietor. Baggage carried to and from the House free of charge.

Public Sale. The undersigned will sell, at his residence, 2 1/2 miles South of Katonah, on TUESDAY, the 18th of December, 1855, his

Household and Kitchen Furniture. 1st-rate Threshing Machine; Canning Box; 2 Horses; Sows and Pigs.

Truistee's Sale. Not having sold all the property of Zimmerman & Co. heretofore advertised, I will offer for sale, on the premises near the Depot in Charlestown, Va.

Postponement. The above sale is postponed to Monday the 17th of December, 1855 (Court day) when a sale of the whole property will positively be made.

Valuable Farm for Sale. The subscriber offers for sale his FARM, situated about five miles from Shepherdstown, Jefferson County, Md.

Maps, Maps, Maps. COLTON'S Map of the U. S. - 62 by 55 inches. World on Mercator's Projected Map of the United States, for sale low.

Barrell's Indian Liniment. This article has great reputation in Western Virginia, and is now for the first time for sale in the city of Winchester.

Vinegar. JUST RECEIVED Two Bbls. Older Vinegar five Gallons per Gallon, for sale by L. M. SMITH, at 25 cents per gallon.

Ladies Dress Goods. Silks, Mousselines, Merinos, Cashmeres, Plaids, Alpaccas, &c. for sale by J. L. HOOFF, at 25 cents per yard.

Perfumery. A large assortment of Perfumery, Fancy Soap, &c. for sale by J. L. HOOFF, at 25 cents per box.



