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**THEIR TABLE**  
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WHEELING, VA.

**MAC PULLARD,**  
PROPRIETOR.

**J. A. SCOTT, GENERAL SPT.**  
Late proprietor of the Hotel, Zanesville, Ohio.

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Dealers in English and American Hardware and Housekeeping Articles, Iron, Stoves, Nails.

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Virginia.

**RANDOLPH J. LATIMER,**  
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**Tobacco, Segars & Snuff,**  
AT LOWEST MINE PRICE.

**James McGraw,**  
Harpers Ferry, Va.

**SAMUEL STONE,**  
Commissioner of the University of the District of Columbia and County of Jefferson, Va.

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**PAPER HANGINGS,**  
**HOWELL & BROTHERS,**  
100 BALTIMORE ST. HARPER'S FERRY, MD.

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DR. CLAVELL'S REPORT

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**WAGON MAKING**  
AND  
Blacksmithing.

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Dr. Johnston.

**THE FOUNDER OF THIS CELEBRATED**  
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Especially those who have the symptoms of Scurvy

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MR. LETCHER'S LEVEE.

As we expected, the Hon. JOHN LETCHER has made a better excuse for himself than some of his earlier friends did for his approval of the anti-slavery sentiments of the Rev. Mr. RIVERS.

But the Tenth Legion is more likely to hold on to this question than any other portion of the Democratic family. They were quite content with Johnny's sentiments as they stood in 1847, and if anything in the world could shake their faith in him, it would be his recent announcement that negro slavery is a first-rate institution.

RELIGIOUS PROSPECTS.

The New York Herald has been an active supporter of the Buchanan administration, notwithstanding its apparently earnest advocacy of Fremont at the last election. It has recently made more startling admissions in regard to the present condition of the so-called Democratic party.

A CANDIDATE UPON THE COURSE.

The Washington dispatch of the 18th inst. to the Tribune says:

Memorials have been issued from this city and distributed over the Union among Mr. Crittenden as the candidate for the Presidency, irrespective of party or platform...

LETTER FROM HON. JOHN LETCHER. (Continued from page 1)

The Richmond Herald of the 11th inst. contains an article on the subject of slavery, in which reference is made to Dr. RIVERS' Address on the subject of Slavery, and the connection of it with the subject of the anti-slavery cause.

When I became a candidate for a seat in the "Western Association," the subject of slavery was a prominent feature of the programme of the party.

RELIGIOUS MEETINGS.

The next Union Prayer Meeting will be held in the Episcopal Church, on Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

A BARRICADE.

The citizens of Clarke County intend holding a barbecue, near Herrington, on Saturday the 17th inst.

TEMPERANCE ADVERTISEMENTS.

CIRCUITS AND MANAGERS.

County Levy.

JOHN'S FARM.

We were quite a pleasant Company have already gathered at this delightful place, and that occasions are daily made...

JOHN'S FARM. (Continued from page 1)

OUR ANNIVERSARY.

The 4th of July, the Natal day of our Independence, occurring this year on Sunday, its Anniversary return has not been as general as usual.

OUR ANNIVERSARY. (Continued from page 1)

Through the untiring exertions of Capt. W. H. HAWES, the Commander of our own Legion, the most successful celebration in the history of our State has been held.

At about 4 A. M. the "Guard" were organized, and provided by the music of the band, Louis, Davenport and Stewart.

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REGULAR TOASTS.

1st. The day we celebrate our political Sabbath, may North, East, South, and West, remember to keep a holy day.

2d. Our Union. A Union of Liberty and Union, with Liberty and Union, under God, is our only hope.

3d. The Army and Navy. A grateful nation gives praise and honor to both.

4th. The American States. Like the planets of the system, illumined by the light radiating from the Sun, they may maintain their relative positions in the universe.

5th. Our Association. We live to protect them.

6th. Addition to our ranks. Multiplication of our numbers increases our power.

7th. The National Convention. Let us be true to the principles of our platform.

8th. The Ladies. The grace and beauty of womanhood are a glory to our Nation.

9th. The Hon. Mr. LETCHER. His wisdom and courage have been a beacon to our people.

10th. The Hon. Mr. HAWES. His untiring efforts have made this day a day of glory.

11th. The Hon. Mr. RIVERS. His eloquence has inspired our hearts.

12th. The Hon. Mr. BELL. His patriotism has been a shining example.

13th. The Hon. Mr. BRADY. His integrity has been a standard for all.

14th. The Hon. Mr. FRANKLIN. His foresight has been a guide for us.

15th. The Hon. Mr. CLAY. His courage has been a inspiration.

WOMEN OF TEMPERANCE.

By the Hon. Mr. LETCHER, in a speech at the annual meeting of the Virginia Association of Women of Temperance.

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