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IN COMMAND: Major Gen. Tazewell has been placed in command of the forces now stationed in this town and vicinity.

Major General Wm. B. Tazewell of the 4th Division Virginia Militia is hereby assigned to the command of the forces now stationed at Charlottesville and its vicinity, and will report accordingly.

THE EXERCISES: The last week has been one of great excitement. The various rumors, whether founded or not, have exhibited the prepossessions with which Virginia can respond to the discharge of any duty which may devolve upon her.

The Companies from Richmond embrace the Greys, Capt. W. M. Elliott, Lieut. S. J. Sosnowski, Jacob Crawford and Randolph Harrison. Company F, Capt. R. M. Cary, Lieutenants Thomas Peyton and J. Orenshaw.

The Continental Guards of Winchester in command of Major B. W. Washington, Capt. Harter, Lieutenants Bryar and Fagan. Jefferson Guards, Capt. J. W. Rowan, Lieutenants Davenport, Campbell, Gallaher and Hoof.

In order that our readers may be advised of passing events we insert letters from these gentlemen. While Senott professes to be a signatory, to defend the citizens of Jefferson county from the aspersions of letter writers, he is defining them with his anonymous letters through the New York Tribune.

On Monday afternoon Gen. Wise reviewed the regiment, and on Tuesday morning left Charlottesville with his Staff.

As an evidence of the abandoned character of the men who were engaged in Brown's lawless enterprise, (says the Winchester Republican) a mulatto woman belonging to Col. Lewis W. Washington was taken prisoner, and whilst the party were about starting in his carriage for Harper's Ferry, Stevens, one of Brown's right hand officers, lingered behind and offered violence to her person.

Although a large number of our "Opposition" friends were in town to attend the meeting called for Monday, yet no formal meeting was held in consequence of the great excitement in our midst.

It was the intention of the people of this county to meet on Monday last to give expression in reference to the policy to be pursued towards John E. Cook, who is to be hung on the 16th of December next, but as Governor Wise has been, such a course was deemed unnecessary, as he will not interfere with the sentence of the Court.

By request of our State authorities a Telegram Office has been re-opened in Charlottesville. Mr. Westbrook, Superintendent of the telegraph line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, has placed one of his operatives at this point. He has employed in the service of the Railroad a corps of some 30 operatives. There are 30 stations on the road, giving a facility in the regular transaction of the business of the road which ensures promptness in every particular.

The Master of Transportation, J. Passour Smith, Esq., is unremittent in the prompt discharge of his duties. Virginia owes much to the energy and management of the officers of this company in affording facilities for transportation of our troops.

This gentleman, after an absence of four years, has returned to our town. He has been to Kansas, and has participated in the struggles in that country. He is well known to our community, and comes back to share in any of the trials which may occur.

JOHN E. COOK—JOHN BROWN & CO.

Richmond, November 16th, 1859.—I observe in your communication from Charlottesville, the following sentence, in regard to John E. Cook, one of the Harper's Ferry ruffians, now under sentence of death.

The feeling here now in favor of Cook is very great, and a commutation of punishment to imprisonment, would give great satisfaction to a large majority of the thinking portion of the community.

Having returned from Jefferson county since the conviction and sentence of Cook, I am as competent to speak of the popular sentiment in regard to him as the writer of the communication referred to. So far from any such sympathy in his favor existing there, among a majority of the thinking portion of the community, less sympathy is felt for him than for any of the murderers. Brown not excepted. The fact indicates that the community is more fully aroused against him than any of them, for the reason that he alone had been a sojourner in their midst, had been entertained in private families, had been in the neighborhood of the town, and inquired at the Clerk's office in regard to the freemason population in Jefferson, had boarded a week in Shepherdstown, in fine, had acted more thoroughly the incendiary than Brown or any other of his party.

The coolness exhibited by "Old Brown" is much lauded by his sympathers, and pointed to as a proof of virtue; as if the most remorseless of murderers had not a thousand times before shown such. One of the best citizens of St. Louis was "killed" by one of his slaves, in June last.

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The Clarke County Conservator of yesterday in speaking of the execution of John E. Cook on Friday last in consequence of various rumors says: About a week or ten days ago, the Alexandria Advertiser, containing some of us, with two pieces of cotton, under command of Maj. D. H. Smith, arrived in this place via Manassas Gap.

From various quarters, as we have heretofore remarked, the suggestion has been made that it would be best policy for Virginia and the South to take the lives of the Harper's Ferry insurgents; and, somehow, the impression is gaining ground, that they will yet escape so dreadful an execution. One set of the Northern people, we believe, are of this opinion. Many of their most liberal and conservative journals have entered the field in favor of mercy, alike from considerations of humanity and true policy on the part of the South. The New York Journal of Commerce and Philadelphia Ledger, are of opinion that it would be a wise course to hold "Old Brown" in limbo for a remainder of his days, than, by ending them at once as the gallows, give the Abolitionists a chance to get a triumph, and hold their satanic powwows to plot mischief against their Southern fellow citizens and against the peace and harmony of the Union as a whole.

Some one, apparently moved by spite against the people of Charlottesville, Virginia, is circulating a report that they advised Capt. John Brown to counsel to leave the place. Now, if I had no grudge for a real veritable rendered to me by these people, I should be glad to see them, and their dishonesty would impel me to contradict their report, because I know it is not true. The facts are these: The people of Jefferson were very much excited, and for the best of reasons. They were excited by the news of a hasty or premature march. If he had done less than he has, or acted less promptly, he would be obnoxious to a charge of inefficiency, but as it is, he has done nothing, but he has been permitted by circumstances. He is every inch a soldier, a man of extraordinary energy, a gentleman of high social and general qualities, and the man for any emergency in which he may be placed.

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On the score of policy, we scorn all such appeals. Let the blood of Brown and his associates be the seed of the Abolition Church—let the generation to be sown by the South to the "Abolition mill," and let the infernal machinery grind on; the South is able to protect herself, and she is more, she intends to do it. We are under no obligation to support the cause of the North. Let the North do her own work—we shall do our duty to ourselves. If we cannot conquer Abolition at the ballot box, we are ready to meet it either in the field or in the jail.

The Nashville (Tennessee) Banner, of Saturday last, contains the following additional particulars concerning the late fatal collision between Messrs. Allen A. Hall, editor of the Nashville News, an Opposition paper, and George G. Poindexter, editor of the Union and American, a Democratic journal. The difficulty had its origin in the first place in an anonymous newspaper controversy.

Friday morning Mr. Poindexter called in company with two friends, at the editorial room of the Union and American. Mr. Hall, he was informed that Mr. Poindexter had not yet come down. The call was repeated, and Mr. Hall did not yet arrive. Soon after the second call, Mr. Hall came down, and was immediately apprised of the facts that Mr. P. was waiting in the room after he was further apprised that Mr. P. was advancing towards his office from the corner of Dederick street. Mr. Hall immediately took a position in front of his door, and Mr. P. advanced with a pistol in his hand, and fired a shot at Mr. Hall, which passed through his chest, and he fell. Mr. P. then fired a second shot, which passed through his chest, and he fell. Mr. Hall was immediately taken to the hospital, and died on the 14th of November.

He had been waiting twenty years for some opportunity to free the slaves; and had been waiting with him the proper time, when he should have taken his action, and when at last the enterprise of Harper's Ferry was planned, we all thought that the time had now come; Mr. Brown was sanguine of success, we all were equally sanguine, but he had no confidence in the man, that the experiment would result in defeat; we all looked to it as fulfilling the hopes of many thousands.

We regret to learn the Shepherdstown Register (says the Alexandria Advertiser) that Mr. Joseph M. Stonebraker, a Merchant at Unionville, in this county, who had been shot by the father's residence in Washington County, Md., on Tuesday last. It appears that he is in company with Mr. Jacob Melvin of this county, in Washington County, Md. for some time, and on their return stopped at his father's to get some tools, and while digging up a tree, his pistol (one of Colt's patent) fell from his pocket, the hammer striking upon a rock, discharged the load, the ball entering his neck near the point of the left jaw, passed under the muscles covering the carotid artery and lodged in the back part of the skull. The ball which was perfectly fattened from the force with which it was driven against the skull, was extracted by Dr. Smith of Bonhomie, Md. He is doing very well, and strong hopes are entertained of the speedy recovery.

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THE COURT OF APPEALS HAS GIVEN ITS DECISION IN THE CASE OF JOHN BROWN AT HARPER'S FERRY, SUSTAINING THE DECISION OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY IN THE EXECUTION OF THE CRIMINAL LAW IN THE DEATH OF SEVEN MEN, AND THE CONVICTION OF THE OTHER PERSONS CONVICTED OF THE SAME HEINOUS CRIME, WILL FOLLOW ON THE 16TH.

MARRIED: On Tuesday evening week at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Dr. J. W. Smith, Frederick City, Md. and Miss VIRGINIA daughter of Geo. W. Baker, of Winchester.

On Thursday morning in St. Paul, Minn. JAS. McDONALD, former editor of the Liberator, and now residing at Harper's Ferry, Va., and Miss MARY, daughter of the late Mr. J. W. Smith, of Winchester, were united in marriage.

On the 10th inst., by Rev. John O. P. CUSHBOWING, all of Berkeley county. JOHN M. WEYANT and Miss MARY ANN CUSHBOWING, all of Berkeley county.

On the 17th inst., by the Rev. D. G. BROWN, JANE HESSEY, daughter of Mr. Harrison, all of Berkeley county.

DIED: Suddenly, on Sunday, Oct. 23rd, at the residence of her son, Robt. M. Keith in Berkeley county, Va., having recently completed her 67th year, Mrs. DANIEL McPHERSON, late of Berkeley county, aged 67 years.

On Wednesday, the 15th inst., at his residence, this county JACOB LAFFERTY, aged 72 years, 10 months and 10 days.

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Special Notices. Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Diseases of the Throat, Lungs, and Pulmonary Affections of all types, are quickly cured by that long tried and successful remedy, Dr. J. C. WALKER'S WILD CHERRY BALM.

Two Through Trails BETWEEN CHARLOTTESVILLE AND WASHINGTON. FIRST—The Express Train leaves Charlottesville at 7:30 A.M., and arrives at Washington at 11:30 A.M. SECOND—The Mail Train leaves Charlottesville at 9:00 A.M., and arrives at Washington at 1:00 P.M. THIRD—The Freight Train leaves Charlottesville at 11:00 A.M., and arrives at Washington at 3:00 P.M.

Public Sale. I will sell, at "Gap View" on Monday, November 20th, commencing at 10 o'clock, some valuable HORSES, CATTLE, SWINE, and FARMING IMPLEMENTS. A VALUABLE LOT of household and other articles, including a new Piano, a Sewing Machine, and a number of other valuable articles. Terms, cash on delivery.

Commissioner OF A VALUABLE FARM IN LEY COUNTY. THE purchaser having failed to comply with the terms of the decree of the Circuit Court of Berkeley County, Va., made on the 10th day of November last, the same will be sold at public auction, on Monday, 17th day of December next, at 10 o'clock, at the Court-House in Martinsburg, West Virginia.

Valuable. In Berkeley County, of which the land is situated, there is a valuable tract of land, containing about 100 acres, more or less, situated in the town of Martinsburg, West Virginia. The land is improved with a good stock of cultivation, and is well adapted for the production of crops.

Stone Dr. with the necessary out-buildings and family property. The remainder in two equal parts, the one part to be held in trust for the benefit of the children of the deceased, and the other part to be held in trust for the benefit of the surviving spouse.

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Special Notices. Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Diseases of the Throat, Lungs, and Pulmonary Affections of all types, are quickly cured by that long tried and successful remedy, Dr. J. C. WALKER'S WILD CHERRY BALM.

Two Through Trails BETWEEN CHARLOTTESVILLE AND WASHINGTON. FIRST—The Express Train leaves Charlottesville at 7:30 A.M., and arrives at Washington at 11:30 A.M. SECOND—The Mail Train leaves Charlottesville at 9:00 A.M., and arrives at Washington at 1:00 P.M. THIRD—The Freight Train leaves Charlottesville at 11:00 A.M., and arrives at Washington at 3:00 P.M.

Public Sale. I will sell, at "Gap View" on Monday, November 20th, commencing at 10 o'clock, some valuable HORSES, CATTLE, SWINE, and FARMING IMPLEMENTS. A VALUABLE LOT of household and other articles, including a new Piano, a Sewing Machine, and a number of other valuable articles. Terms, cash on delivery.

THE PRESS is published weekly on Wednesdays and Saturdays... Price per copy 10 cents...

Gift Book Enterprise... Agents Wanted Everywhere... Over \$25000 in Cash...

JOHN WILSON & CO... The Old Diploma Rye Whisky... The Old Diploma Rye Whisky...

HOWARD ASSOCIATION... Philadelphia... A Benevolent Institution...

LESTER'S IMPROVED SEWING MACHINES... Price \$50 to \$150... The most reliable Sewing Machine...

NEW GOODS... WAGON MAKING... GEORGE W. TAYLOR... Wagon making and repair...

50 Young Negroes of Both Sexes Wanted... I have been authorized to buy for a gentleman...

Bread Bread... The undersigned having employed a public baker...

Refresh Bread... Should be sold... Refresh Bread... Daily...

Baltimore Safe Manufacturing... Improved Malmesbury Safes... FACTORY...

Peruvian Guano... The undersigned has for sale a general assortment of Peruvian Guano...

FALL & WINTER CLOTHING... GREAT SOUTHERN CLOTHING HALL... SHERMAN STREET...

FALL & WINTER CLOTHING... JUST RECEIVED AT THE NEW CLOTHING STORE... At Charlottesville, Jefferson County, Va.

FALL & WINTER CLOTHING... WE respectfully inform our customers and the public generally...

FALL & WINTER CLOTHING... WE have also a large assortment of new FALL and WINTER...

FALL & WINTER CLOTHING... JOHN STRAUSS... Lumber and Coal Yard...

CUTLERY... WE are now opening a large stock of Table and Pocket Cutlery...

NEW GOODS... GEORGE W. TAYLOR... Call and see them...

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NOTICE... The undersigned having purchased from C. R. Bickel...

NEW JEWELRY ESTABLISHMENT... THE undersigned respectfully informs the citizens of Charlottesville...

Clocks and Watches... will be complete, whilst a general assortment in his line will always be found...

J. WEATHERBY & CO... Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Clocks and Watches...

BRICK AND PORTABLE... Cooking Ranges of the most approved Patterns...

LIGHTNING LIGHTNING... THE subscribers legally authorized agents for Contracting and putting up...

Genie Copper Rod... with silver perfectly insulated with glass...

Artists, Painters, and PHOTOGRAPHERS' DEPOT... THE subscriber has constantly on hand a full assortment...

CASH FOR NEGROES... I AM desirous to purchase a large number of MEN, WOMEN, BOYS, CHILDREN...

UNION HOTEL, Berryville, Clarke County, Va... THIS new Hotel is now open and ready for occupancy...

Genie Copper Rod... The relative conducting power of different metals is best known by reference to the following table...

Five Dollars and Fifty Cents... THE undersigned has for sale a general assortment of Peruvian Guano...

NOTICE... A LL persons knowing themselves indebted to the late firm of Campbell & Co...

EVERETT HOUSE... THE undersigned having leased for a term of years the Hotel on the corner of Queen and Bank streets...

LOOK BEFORE YOU BUY... THE subscriber takes this method of informing the public...

Great Oscillating Washing Machine... and will visit the country with the machine in a short time...

BLACKSMITHING... THE undersigned having this day disassembled Partnership will offer to the public...

WARRANTED - B. STARR & CO... CORNER OF BROAD AND MARKET STS. BALTIMORE, MD.

EXCELSIOR Washing Machine... WE now inform the public generally that we have just received...

ENTRERS HOTEL... THE subscriber would respectfully announce to the public that he has taken the Hotel...

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT... FROM THE QUAKER CITY PUBLISHING HOUSE...

Insurance Agency... B. W. HERBERT... HAS associated John F. Brown in a general partnership...

Agricultural Society... AT a meeting of the Valley Agricultural Society held on Monday, July 1st...

JUST RECEIVED... 4 P and 6 P Full Linen, all wool; White Flannel...

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MEDICAL HOUSE... No. 11 SOUTH FREDERICK ST. BALTIMORE, MD.

DOCTOR SMITH... THE undersigned has for sale a general assortment of Peruvian Guano...

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POETICAL... LOVE AND NONSENSE... Every one has admired Parthenia's definition of love to Ingomar...

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