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Elections in the South.

It will be seen from the concluding work of the Caucus which nominated Speaker Colfax, Clerk McPherson, and other officers for re-election by the House of Representatives, that a prompt effort is being made to adopt the policy of Thaddeus Stevens, of treating the Southern States as conquered Territory, which can only be brought into the Union by special legislation, as in the case of Territories generally.

It will be seen from this movement that agitation injurious to the peace of the country has already commenced, and justified the suspicion that the ultra Union men, whose garments were untouched by the smoke of battle, do not want to see the Union restored.

The Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, of Pennsylvania, moved that a committee of five be appointed to report a resolution on the sentence of the caucus upon the question of restoration of the late rebellious States. The following committee was appointed: Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, of Pennsylvania; Hon. James G. Blaine, of Maine; Hon. E. B. Washburn, of Illinois; Hon. Hubert E. Paine, of Wisconsin; and R. B. Spaulding, of Ohio.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, That a joint committee of fifteen members shall be appointed, nine of whom shall be members of the House and six of the Senate, who shall inquire into the condition of the States which formed the so-called Confederate States of America, and report whether they or any of them are entitled to be represented in either House of Congress, with leave to report at any time by bill or otherwise; and until such report shall have been made and finally acted upon by Congress, no member shall be received into either House from any of the said so-called Confederate States; and all papers relating to the representatives of the said States shall be referred to the said committee without debate.

Hon. Thaddeus Stevens was appointed to present the above resolution to the House immediately after the organization. On motion, the caucus adjourned.

Sensible Views.

The New York Times is a Republican paper of great ability, and its chief editor is Henry J. Raymond, a member elect to the next House of Representatives. The following paragraph from a late number, elicited, no doubt, by the extreme views of Ex-Speaker Colfax, is worthy of consideration. The policy to be pursued is sketched with the pen of a true Statesman:

"The real question is, whether an early restoration of the South is expedient. Those who really believe this find no difficulty in supporting President Johnson's plan, as both just and effective—just, because the prerequisites insisted upon are the logical consequences of the war, and effective, because the Southern States can and will accept them, with a full purpose to abide by them. To oppose that plan is nothing else than to go for postponing the restoration of the South indefinitely. No project could be worse than that. Its whole working would be to hinder all good, and to promote all evil. It is of utmost vital consequence to the finances of the country that the industry of the South should be speedily re-established, and the great Southern staples be again produced in something like their old mighty measure. This cannot be done so long as the South remains under military government, and with a future altogether uncertain. The capital which is necessary for the purpose will not go to the South without the certainty of a settled condition of society, which civil safeguards alone can guarantee. To postpone the restoration is not only to sink the national credit, but is to keep the Southern people impoverished and humiliated, and to excite in their hearts the very worst feelings against the Government. The whole North has been astonished by the universality and promptness of their submission to the government, after the overthrow of their armies. A year ago few deemed such a change possible. The present spirit of the South is surely remarkable, and we ought to make the most of it in using it, while still fresh, to cement the Union. If repelled, it will inevitably turn to bitterness and hate, and work endless discord and confusion. The Union party would belie its name if it failed to sustain President Johnson in his opening of the only feasible way for a speedy return of the South to its old constitutional place in the Union.

In the Union and Out of it. The President says, in relation to the restoration of the functions of the States within the Union, "the true theory is, that all pretended acts of secession were, from the beginning, null and void."

And in speaking of the necessity of the General Government maintaining all its authority, in consequence of the refusal of a State to perform its offices, he says:—"On this principle I have acted, and have gradually and quietly, and by almost imperceptible steps, sought to restore the rightful authority of the General Government and of the States. To that end, Provisional Governors have been appointed for the States, Conventions called, Governors elected, Legislatures assembled, and Senators and Representatives chosen to the Congress of the United States."

And yet, (he may now add) Thad. Stevens and his Radical associates thwart his policy by declaring that these members shall not be admitted!

The Constitutional Amendment.

The proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, prohibiting forever slavery or involuntary servitude, except for crime, has passed the Legislatures of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida.

And, strange to say, as if forgetful of passing events, it is demanded that Virginia shall pass it; although the Peirpont Legislature ratified it more than ten months ago—a Legislature elected under the auspices of Governor Peirpont, whose government has been recognized by the President and his Cabinet, as the Government of Virginia. It is not impossible, however, that the Legislature now in session at Richmond will re-affirm the enactment.

A strange anomaly is likely to be presented, however; that a State from which such a proceeding is expected is to be denied representation in Congress. Virginia is either in the Union or out of it. If not in the Union, then there is no right to demand from her a measure so vital as that of amending the Constitution.

Tennessee, too, it is stated, is for the present to be denied representation. And the absurdity is presented to the world of a President in full authority, hailing from a State not in the Union!

Financial.

The Report of the Secretary of the Treasury will be looked for with much interest, under the impression that he will make suggestions in reference to a resumption of specie payments at no distant day. We think it vain to excite public expectation on that subject, for the withdrawal of Treasury greenbacks and the substitution of a diluted currency, that of the National Banks—paper founded on paper.

It is stated that in the South money is worth from ten to fifteen per cent a year on the best security, personal and real. How this rate is to be diminished by making money easier, we cannot comprehend. In our humble judgment relief can only come from a full Southern crop, and in the way suggested by the National Intelligence, thus:—

"After all, the first financial necessity of the Government is economy. Let Congress sweep out one half of the blood-sucking official swarms which were brought into existence by the war, and which, though no longer necessary for the public welfare, seem to have political power enough to perpetuate existence. When the revenue shall largely exceed the expenditures, Government securities will be in demand at home and abroad."

Harper's Ferry.

We have for some time past intended to call the attention of the government and of the public to the great interests at Harper's Ferry which for four years past have been idle and altogether unproductive. The United States now has in its employment at this important point only 30 to 40 workmen, repairing and cleaning arms, and this must cease, if economy is to be considered. The great power is dormant, although it is worth, if it has not cost, millions of dollars.

It is one of the best sites in the Union for a great manufacturing community. Lowell bears no comparison to it. The Potomac and the Shenandoah, both furnish an abundance of power; and by the liberal use of capital a thrifty community of eight or ten thousand people would in a few years be gathered at the junction and along the banks of the two rivers. The Shenandoah has a succession of water-falls for more than two miles, and there is room for a National Foundry, for cotton mills, paper mills, nail factories, and almost every branch of manufactures which an ingenious and industrious people could suggest. For a paper mill, though either river would afford an ample supply of water, yet, to guard against the mudiness which freshets produce, an unfailling feeder of clear water could be had from a spring on the hill side West of town. No better point in the whole country could be found for a supply of rags, fuel and iron than Harper's Ferry.

We trust that a renewal of the Armory is out of the question, that the government will soon put this unrivalled property into the market, and thus give new life to a region which has suffered greatly from the ravages of war.

The Election of Judge.

Our neighbor of the "Spirit," in noticing the fact that Governor Boreman has given a certificate of election to Mr. Hall as Judge of the tenth judicial circuit of West Virginia, (whereas Judge Kennedy had an undoubted majority of the legal votes,) brings to view the meagre vote by which the State itself was created at a time when there could be no fair expression of opinion by the people. It says, of the Governor:—"Indeed his government, the State of West Virginia itself, came into existence, if not against all law, certainly the wishes of the people who inhabited it. It is curious to see how little weight the voice of the people has had in the matter: The counties of Logan, Calhoun, Nicholas, McDowell, Mercer, Greenbrier, Pocahontas, Webster, Morgan, and Pendleton, having a white population of about 56,400, never cast a vote for the Convention that submitted the question of the new State to the people; nor for a member of the first Wheeling Legislature; nor for the Convention that framed the Constitution of the new State."

"The counties of Fayette, Wyoming, and Mason never cast a vote for the new State or its Constitution. In 1860 the vote of Braxton was 754—it cast but 88 for the new convention; Barbour, with a vote of 1269 cast 459; Boone, with a vote of 568, cast 78; Hampshire, with a vote of 1916, cast 157; Hardy, with 1470, cast 192, and Pendleton, with 929 votes, cast 116. The whole State, as it stood at that time, cast but about 19,000 votes, out of a voting population of about 48,000; and, in these latter days, Jefferson county, with a vote of over 1800, cast only some 91 in favor of going over to the "Mountain State," as some of its friends delight in calling it. This being the mode in which the doctors performed at its birth, it is no wonder that its guardians should nurse the infant State at the expense of all known law and at the risk of its Constitution."

See advertising columns this issue.

Meeting of Congress.

The two Houses assembled on Monday last, with a quorum in each. Hon. LAFAYETTE S. FOSTER, of Connecticut, elected last session as President pro tempore of the Senate, took the chair of that body—an accomplished presiding officer.

In the House of Representatives, the nominees of the Republican Caucus were severally elected, with no regular opposition, viz: Hon. SQUIRE COLFAX, of Indiana, Speaker; Edward McPherson, of Pennsylvania, Clerk; G. N. Ordway, of New Hampshire, Sergeant-at-Arms; Ira Goodnow, of New York, Doorkeeper; and Josiah Given, of Ohio, Postmaster.

Committees were appointed to wait on the President of the United States, and inform him that the two Houses were organized, and ready to receive any communication which he might be pleased to make.

During the roll-call the following proceedings took place: Mr. Maynard (whose name is not on the roll) wanted to make a suggestion, but the Clerk refused to be interrupted.

The roll call was completed, 176 members having answered to their names. Mr. Morrill moved that the House proceed to the election of a Speaker.

Mr. Maynard desired to submit a remark before that question was put.

Mr. McPherson called the gentlemen to order. Mr. McPherson, the Clerk, said he could not recognize any one as a member whose name was not on the roll.

Mr. Brooks hoped the motion would not prevail until it was settled whether Mr. Maynard was a member of this House, or entitled to be heard. He hoped the House would not proceed to any revolutionary steps, as now indicated. If Tennessee was not in the Union and a loyal State, by what right does the President himself hold his seat at the White House? He trusted the gentleman would be heard, for if the rule of exclusion should prevail, the Clerk would have an overhauling power, in violation of the principles of republican government.

Mr. Brooks, in further discussion of the subject, asked by what law of right did Virginia was excluded, and why was Louisiana, whose members at the commencement of the former Congress, were allowed to vote for Speaker. He said, in the course of his speech, that the resolution adopted by the Republican caucus on Saturday was intended as an antagonism to the forthcoming message of the President of the United States.

Mr. Stevens raised a point of order that it was heretofore held that besides the election of a Speaker or a motion to adjourn no other business was in order prior to organization.

Mr. McPherson held the point to be well taken.

Finally, under the operation of the previous question, the House proceeded to the election of a Speaker.

Virginia.

Organization of the Legislature—Abstract of the Governor's Message.

RICHMOND, December 4.—The Legislature of Virginia assembled to-day. In the absence of the Lieutenant Governor, Mr. Robinson, of Norfolk, presided over the Senate.

Shelton Davis, who has been secretary for the last eight years, was re-elected. Wirt Harrison was elected sergeant-at-arms. The House organized, by the election of John B. Baldwin as Speaker, and John Bell Biggers as Clerk. Baldwin was a strong Unionist before the war. He represented the Augusta district in the Confederate Congress. Mr. Biggers was an assistant clerk for several years. R. W. Burke was re-elected sergeant-at-arms.

After the organization of the Legislature the Governor's message was received and read. The Governor first calls attention to the public debt, showing an aggregate of forty-one millions against twenty-two millions available assets. The State has several millions in unproductive internal improvements. The interest due on the 1st of January exceeds six millions. The question of taxation is considered at some length. The Governor says a levy of sixty per cent, on real estate will be required, and increases in the tax on the license for taking oysters in the waters of Virginia.

He suggests the sale of State investments in railroad stocks and bonds, which would relieve the State of fifteen millions of debt, and promote due efficiency of the railroads. The educational interests of Virginia are especially commended to the attention of the Legislature, and the establishment of a polytechnic school urged. The Governor recommends the passage of a law holding fiduciaries responsible for the investments in Confederate State bonds.

He thinks after mature deliberation that very little legislation is needed in regard to the freedmen, but that they should be allowed to testify as witnesses, and should be tried and punished the same as whites.

He advises that the three million dollars now invested in the Covington and Ohio railroad be given as a bounty to any company that will complete the road.

The repeal of usury laws is recommended. The Governor devotes the concluding part of his message to reconstruction, and says it is of the utmost importance, that the people of Virginia should give a cheerful support to the Federal Government in the payment of all the taxes assessed for paying the National debt.

Highly Important from Mexico.

The advance of President Juarez from El Paso farther into the interior to re-establish at Chihuahua the National Republican Government of Mexico is officially known in this city. The French, in consequence of military movements of the Liberals, were compelled to evacuate Chihuahua on the 25th October. They left not a single soldier there on the 29th ult., and have withdrawn to the State of Durango. This result is highly significant. The failure of the Imperialists to hold the territory heretofore conquered by them cannot but operate as a great discouragement of their cause. These advices are as late as the 3d inst. from El Paso, and are direct from President Juarez to Senator Romero, the Mexican Minister.—National Intelligence.

Change of Time on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

On and after Monday, 4th inst., there will be a change in the running of the various trains on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. There will be two trains to Wheeling and Parkersburg from Baltimore—the mail daily at 8:50 A. M., except Sunday, and the express daily, including Sunday, at 10 P. M. An accommodation train will leave Cumberland daily, except Sundays, at 6:45 A. M. All these trains connect at Belair and Parkersburg for all points West, Southwest and Northwest. The Frederick accommodation train will leave Baltimore at 4:30 P. M., except on Sunday.

The Currency.

A sensible writer in the New York Times, on the subject of a reduction of the currency and the clamor for a return to specie payments, shows that it is not the price of gold that keeps up the price of articles of living. It is the demand in the waste places of the South. He says truly:—

"Experience teaches us that the simplest and most direct way to reach a desired end is more likely to accomplish the object."

"That prices are high, and too high everywhere, body believes and feels. With gold at 147 prices are generally higher than when 285, and at that time was added what we have not now—a fear of an overthrow of the government."

"Why is this? There is truly but one answer, that an unexpected peace has opened up a new and vast trade, which the stocks on hand were unable to supply. It is not gold at 147 or a vast surplus of currency that keeps prices high, where they are; slowly but surely, as supplies meet the demand prices will fall. That they are somewhat affected by enhanced value of gold and extent of currency is certain, but not to a large extent."

"To us it seems clear that the true cause for the government is not by a forced panic to endeavor to bring down values, but to show the people that its receipts are more than its necessary disbursement, and that a plan is provided by which the liabilities of the government are constantly being cancelled, by the compound interest on the legal tenders being redeemed—not to be redeemed—but paid off. The mere funding of these is the very worst thing that can be done, as has been said, making money scarce, and at the same time putting more securities on the market. If this last course is repeated government securities will be on the downward road for a long period."

"There is at the present time more bonds than money, and yet the Treasury is being hounded on to repeat the operation."

The President's Message.

In our desire to give our readers the President's Message at the earliest moment, we were obliged to take the first edition that was offered, with the Sensation Heads of one of the Radical presses. The President expresses an earnest desire for the Restoration of the South, and argues at some length the relation of the people to the States, and of the States to the National Government.

In addition to the Message, the paper we send out contains the Report of the Secretary of the Interior, and the Report of the Postmaster General.

Negro Agitation.

Every body thought the negro question settled. Not so, Mr. Sumner. On Monday he introduced into the Senate six bills and three resolutions, most of them involving the care of negroes—one to make jurymen of them, and one to use them as witnesses.

Mr. Wade offered a bill to regulate the franchise in the District of Columbia. So the good people of the District are to have the first dose.

OFFICIAL.

By the President of the United States of America: A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas by the proclamation of the President of the United States on the fifteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, the privilege of the writ of Habeas corpus was, in certain cases therein set forth, suspended throughout the United States: And whereas the reasons for that suspension may be regarded as having ceased in some of the States and Territories:

Now, therefore, be it known that I, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, do hereby proclaim and declare that the suspension aforesaid, and all other proclamations and orders suspending the privilege of the writ of Habeas corpus in the States and Territories of the United States, are revoked and annulled, excepting as to the States of Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Texas, the District of Columbia, and the Territories of New Mexico and Arizona.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and [L. S.] sixty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the thirtieth.

ANDREW JOHNSON, By the President: WM. H. SEWARD, Secretary of State.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Raleigh, December 1. To the President of the United States: SIR: The Legislature has ratified with but six dissenting voices the Congressional amendment abolishing slavery. Five judges have been elected, all good selections. Three of my provisional appointments have been confirmed.

W. W. HOLMES, Provisional Governor.

OLD WHIGGERY.—It is mentioned as a remarkable fact that of the 96 members of the House of Delegates in Virginia, all except one, belonged to the old Whig party. In the Senate, all but three or four were of the same party. So with the members of Congress elect, the Governor, and Secretary of State.

GEORGIA.—Judge CHARLES J. JENKINS, an eminent lawyer, has been elected Governor of Georgia, with scarcely any opposition, no other candidate being in the field. He was an old line Whig, who several times declined invitations to go into the Cabinet.

PACIFIC RAILROAD COMMISSION.—The President has appointed General R. C. Curiss of Iowa, William Prescott Smith, of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and J. H. Simpson, of the United States Engineer Department, Commissioners of the Kansas Branch, Pacific Railroad.

DEATH OF AN EDITOR.—John W. Syme, Esq., well known as a newspaper editor in Virginia, died at Petersburg, last Saturday week. For twenty years he was the proprietor and editor of the Petersburg Intelligencer, and subsequently owned and conducted the Raleigh (N. C.) Register until the breaking out of the war. He was frequently elected a member of the Virginia Legislature.

The Supreme Court of the United States met on Monday last, all the Judges present. Before adjourning for the day they paid a visit to the President of the United States.

LOCAL SUMMARY.

Rev. A. C. Hopkins.

This young divine, who has earned for himself so warm a place in the affections of the people of this town and neighborhood, and who has labored so efficiently, and so acceptably in the temporary discharge of the pastoral duties of the Presbyterian charge of this place, having accepted a call to Cumberland C. H., took leave of the congregation on Sunday night in an eloquent and most tenderly affectionate discourse. His appeal to the young men, with whom he had shared the hardships, privations and perils of war, was solemn, impressive and beautiful.

He carried with him to his new home the love, and esteem, and good wishes of all the people here. The Rev. Mr. BROWN, formerly of Kentucky, succeeds him. He is a gentleman of ability, and is beloved and respected, by all who know him, for his many christian virtues. He will, without doubt, prove very acceptable to the entire congregation. He made announcements for the usual services.

The Rev. Dr. DUTTON—the regular pastor—is still in feeble health, and confined to his room. It must be a source of great comfort to him to know that his flock has been, and now is, in the keeping of the faithful.

JOHN W. KENNEDY, Esq., has notified E. B. HALL of his intention to contest his "right to be commissioned and hold the office of Judge of the 10th Judicial Circuit, in the State of West Virginia."

REAPER AND MOWER.—Mr. JAMES E. NORRIS, formerly of Clarke county but now of Baltimore, has placed on exhibition at Mr. Blessing's, in this town, a model of RAY & Co's Combined Reaper and Mower, which, without doubt, is a perfect machine—complete in all its parts, and so simple that a child can understand the working of it.

These machines will be in great demand next season, and those desiring them would consult their interests by securing the promise of them by giving early orders.

The meeting at the M. E. Church, which began ten days ago, continues, and with manifestations of increased interest and encouragement. The Rev. NORVAL WILSON is now here, assisting Mr. March, the regular pastor.

The "Carter House" was sold on Tuesday last, at public auction, for the sum of \$4100, cash. J. D. GIBSON, Esq., purchaser.

We omitted to mention the sale of the house and lot for many years in the occupancy of the late Mrs. Bann, for the sum of \$305—purchaser, F. B. Souders.

ALABAMA.—Hon. GEORGE S. HOUSTON, formerly a representative in congress, and Hon. LEWIS E. PARSONS, the Provisional Governor, have been elected U. S. Senators by the Legislature of Alabama.

MARRIED. In Leesburg, at the residence of the bride's mother, on the 22d ult., by Rev. Walter W. Williams, WILLIAM B. LYNCH, Editor of the Washingtonian, to JANE D. WILDMAN, of Loudoun.

On the 16th ult., near the Point of Rocks, by Rev. G. E. Martin, Mr. ROBERT H. COOPER to Miss MARGARET ANN COOPER, both of Loudoun.

DIED. On Sunday morning, November 26th, 1865, Mrs. MARGARET A. MCCORMICK wife of P. Mc Cormick, Esq., of Berryville, Clarke county, Va. Frank, candid and charitable in an eminent degree, given to hospitality, this estimable lady was a universal favorite. Let the thoughts of her mortal remains lingering in the silent grave be elevated to the bright abode above, where her spirit hastened its flight—for a good Samaritan, who has been always ready to pour oil into afflictions' wounds, has been taken from us.

When desolation marched through our country followed by threatening famine, this lady proved her possession of that command that was like unto the first, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," by, out of her living, nowhere abundant, distributing among her neighbors. A sad, but deep interesting lesson that "the young may die," was a few days since impressed on youth, and all nature proves the old adage, and her bereaved husband knows but a few years separates them, the other members of the family have time to prepare to meet her in "the house of many mansions" where there "yet is room."

On the 23d of July, 1865, HENRY MOLER SNEYDER, only son of Henry M. and Mary V. Snyder, aged 8 months and 22 days.

CARRIAGES: CARRIAGES! I HAVE just received a supply of one and two horse CARRIAGES, consisting of DOUBLE and SINGLE ROCKAWAYS, MARKET WAGONS, &c. &c. These Carriages are made of the best material, have all the modern improvements, and were built at the celebrated Carriage Manufactory of WM. McCANN, Baltimore.

One second-hand Single Rockaway among the number. W. J. HAWKS, Dec. 7, '65—4f.

NOTICE. The Tax Payers of Christchurch Township, Jefferson County, West Virginia, are hereby notified that the undersigned will be in Charlestown, on Friday of each week, at the Post Office, for the purpose of collecting State and County Taxes. T. W. POTTERFIELD, D. S. December 4, 1865.

For Sale. A LOT of Government Wagons—299 Wagon Wheels—100 Coat and Wood Stoves, &c., which will be sold low. P. MCGRAW, T. A. KIRWAN, Harper's Ferry, Dec. 7—3f.

ESTRAYS. TWO Calves—red and white—came to the farm of the undersigned about the first day of July. The owner will come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take them away. J. B. PACKETT, Dec. 7, 1865—3f.

LEATHER. Mr. STOVENS, at Martinsburg, has a fine stock of Finished Leather of his own tanning, which he thinks is superior, and is selling at very low prices. Any good article country sole leather at 40 cents. Harness 40 cts.—Calf Skins \$1.50.

NOTICE. All persons indebted to Michael Tearney are hereby notified that their accounts and notes have been placed in the hands of the undersigned and they are requested to come forward and pay or close the same without delay. ISAAC FOUKE, Dec. 5, '65—3f.

10,000 BUSHELS CORN wanted at the Cheap Cash store of KEARSLY & SHERER.

WANTED.—All kinds of Grain and Produce in exchange for Goods by H. L. HEISKELL, Dec. 7, 1865.

TO FARMERS. IN ORDER to meet the wants of the Farmers of this County, I will from this date take all kinds of Grain and Produce at the highest market price in exchange for Goods. I guarantee to all that the Goods shall be sold at the very lowest CASH Price. H. L. HEISKELL, Dec. 7, 1865.

20,000 BUSHELS of CORN wanted, for which I will give the highest price in Cash. JOHN J. LOCK, Dec. 7, '65.

LADIES' CLOAKS. We are closing out our stock of Ladies' Cloaks very cheap. KEARSLY & SHERER.

GOVERNMENT SALE OF BAKERY APPURTENANCES.

SUBSTANCE OFFICE, Harper's Ferry, Va., November 30, 1865.

WILL be sold at Auction, at Harper's Ferry, Virginia, at 2 o'clock P. M., on Friday, December 8, 1865, the following:

8 Broad Racks; 1 lot of Lumber; The Bricks and Appurtenances of eight Bake Ovens, complete; 2 sets Scales; 9 Buckets; 10 Oven Peels; 37 Oven Peel Blades; 37 Bake Pans; 5 Hand Scrubbers; 2 Cullinders; 2 Yeast Dippers; 1 Bread Table; 7 Gallons Cold Oil; 9 Dough Troughs and Lids; 78 feet of Lead Pipe; 1 Cistern Pump; 3 Dough Scrapers; 4 Dusters; 3 Sieves; 3 Stoves; 4 Elbows; 105 feet of Stove Pipe; 3 Bracket Lamps.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash in Government funds: fifty per cent. to be paid on day of sale; the balance to be paid within ten days after the date of sale. Ten days allowed to remove the property.

By Order: Brevet Brig. Gen. THOMAS WILSON, C. S. U. S. A. and Chief of C. S. M. Dept. GEORGE S. LELAND, Brevet Maj. & C. S. Vol. Dec. 4, 1865.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

On Camp Hill in the Town of Harper's Ferry.

WE, the undersigned, Executors of the last will and testament of Singleton Chambers, Sr., deceased, by virtue of the provisions of the same, will offer on

Saturday, December 23, 1865, at 1 o'clock, P. M., in front of the Shenandoah Hotel, in the town of Harper's Ferry, at public vendue, to the highest bidder, the real estate of said Chambers devised by said will to be sold—some being the two lots of said Chambers, fronting on the Public Square on Camp Hill. On one of the lots is a Valuable Stone House. The other lot is vacant.

They will be sold separately, or together as may be determined on at the time of sale.—They adjoin each other. The lots are most eligibly situated, rich and productive, and near the best water in the county—a never failing stream, with good security for deferred payments, bearing interest from the day of sale, and a Deed of Trust on the premises to secure them will be required.

E. H. CHAMBERS, B. WENTZELL, Executors. Harper's Ferry, Va. December 7, 1865—3f.

NOTICE. All persons indebted to the Estate of G. B. Wager, deceased, are hereby notified that the undersigned has been appointed by the Circuit Court of Berkeley County, Administrator ad donum non with the will annexed thereof; that the necessities of the said estate and the heavy losses sustained by it owing to the war, require that all indebtedness thereto shall be speedily called up.

It is hoped that all knowing themselves indebted will at once and without further delay, call either on the undersigned, or ISAAC FOUKE, Esq., and liquidate the same, as no longer indulgence can be given.

Harper's Ferry, Va. S. V. YANTIS, Adm. December 7, '65—3f.

A FINE young good condition for a lady's use. A CALVARIED lot for supporting having been in use years without rust Oct. 23. 10,000 L be paid in goods by A LARGE stock WANTED—On FURS at the A ALL persons kn will please co determine to do a Nov. 18. TAIL, Salt & L Halfway, Oct. H HATS and Co POWDER, Sho W WINDOW G A NEW supply Styles Dance sale by T WAGS—No. 1 Also, good taste of the most Oct. 28. A L L kinds of change for Nov. 2, 1865. VI I WILL take V Funds as Ball Nov. 7, 1865. JUST received a fine CLOAKS. Ladies as use before par Nov. 23. LATEST style of Breakfast and Hoods, Clove CONSTANTLY fashionable styles Trimmings. MISS JULIA is prepared Hats at shortest Goods constantly A LARGE Furnishing and Small Pro ACTION of until Christmas Holidays at W. Building, Charle SWEET POTATO Nov. 30. VEGETABLE Green Tea, just received at the Sarah Beall's Ho SHOEM. DEPOT of all assortments all its variety, pins, Hook and American Calc., at and look before a Nov. 9. REPAIRING done at the Lead Blacking Oct. 19. SALTSTRE S Salt and Pet SHEAKER PLAS with other g received by BUCKWHEAT COAL OIL— for sale by GROCERIES, low, just rec SALT—Fine s, macks, and li PEPPER, Ad sale by NEW ARRIV until arrival which will be so Nov. 30, '65. BALMORAL every shade GREY BLAN Blankets, J WINDOW G A FEW barrels sale by BALTIMORE Southern M Nov. 23. L EMONS and Restaurant GOLD & SILV SALT, Ground Pepper, for sale by IRON—Flaw, Blue Bars, for sale by C HEMISE and PRIME Chee BUCKWHEAT SUPERIOR in Chewing Y PURE Cider sale by STOVES 20 cts, for sale by WOODS and Bro SUPERIOR COAL OIL WANTED. THE best G

VARIETY.

The Stammering Wife.

When deeply in love with Miss Emily Fryno, I roared, if the maiden would only be mine, I would always endeavor to please her.

Again, when it happened that, wishing to shrink from my unpleasant and arduous work, I begged her to go to a neighbor.

The following is the verdict of a negro jury: "We do undersigned, bein' a Koroner's jury to sit on de body of de nigger Sambo, now done dead and gone afore us, hab been sitten' on de said nigger afore said, and find dat de same did, on de night ob fourteenth of November, come to def' by fallen' from de bridge ober de river in de said river and broken his neck, where we find he was subsequently drown, and afterwards washed to de river side, whar we suppose he was 'rouse to def'."

A man coming home late one night, a little more than half-yorked, feeling thirsty, procured a glass of water and drank. In doing so he swallowed a small ball of silk that lay in the bottom of a tumbler, the end catching in his teeth.

COMICAL BLUNDER.—A Columbus (Ohio) paper, in an account of the Perry celebration at Cleveland, says: "The procession was very fine, and nearly two miles in length as was also the prayer of Dr. Berry, the chaplain."

COUNTRYMAN.—"I say Mister, do you know where Mr. Smith lives?" "Gent.—Which of them? there's good many of that name."

A robust countryman, meeting a physician ran to hide behind a wall; being asked the cause he replied: "It is so long since I have been sick that I am ashamed to look a physician in the face."

A judge trying a case out west, had proceeded about two hours, when he observed, "Here are only eleven jurymen present; where is the twelfth?" "Please your honor," said one of the eleven, "he has gone away about some business, but he left his verdict with me!"

It is said to be dangerous to be working with a sewing machine near a window when there is a thunder storm.

A lawyer, on being called to account for having acted unprofessionally in taking less than the usual fees from his client, pleaded that he had taken all the man had. "He was there-upon honorably acquitted."

A good one is told of a Quaker volunteer who was in a Virginia skirmish. Coming in pretty close contact with a Yankee he remarked: "Friend, it's unfortunate, but thee stands just where I'm going to shoot," and blazing away, down came the yankee.

JOSE BILLINGS says that if a man professes to serve the Lord, he likes to see him do it as well when he measures onions as when he holds glory halleluya.

An old lady inquired at one of the railway stations what time the 7.45 train would start, and was told a quarter before eight. "Bless me!" she exclaimed, "you're always changing the time on this line."

"I don't believe its any use this vaccination," said a son of the Emerald Isle, "I had a child vaccinated, and he fell out of the window the week arter, and got killed!"

"Julius! I ben to war. Yes, sir, five balls lodged in this bosom!" "Sho! Musket balls?" "No, sir! Cannon balls?" "No, sir!" "Wot kinder balls, then?" "Cod-fish balls!"

"I'm a gone sucker," as the child said when his mother weaned him.

When a wife bugs her husband, it is always because she wants to "get around him."

CAMPBELL & MASON, APOTHECARIES.

THE undersigned having recently refitted their Store-room, and received a full stock of fresh and reliable DRUGS, MEDICINES, CHEMICALS, PERFUMERY, PAINTS, DYE-STUFFS, &c., &c.

D. HUMPHREYS, & CO., DEALERS IN Hardware, Cutlery, TOOLS AND FINDINGS for Carpenters, Smiths, Saddlers, Shoemakers, Masons and Cabinet-makers.

Also, a carefully selected assortment of GROCERIES, all of which they are determined to sell at Baltimore Retail Prices. Orders promptly attended to.

D. HOWELL, BEGS leave to inform the citizens of Charleston and the surrounding country, that he has opened a STORE in the room formerly occupied by Jacob Stary, nearly opposite the Bank, where he will keep a general assortment of DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, HATS, SHOES, QUEENSWARE, AND ALL OTHER GOODS usually kept in a country store.

His stock will be constantly replenished from the Baltimore market; and as the goods are bought on the best terms and sold exclusively for cash, he will be enabled to sell on short profits, consequently his goods will be found to be as cheap as any other house.

JUST ARRIVED, THE undersigned has just arrived from Baltimore with an entirely New and well-selected Stock of DRY GOODS—FOREIGN & DOMESTIC—LADIES DRESS GOODS, FANCY GOODS, TRIMMINGS, Notions, &c.

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CONTINUOUS open for the reception and accommodation of visitors. The rooms are in a complete order, well-furnished and comfortable, the Parlor large and commodious, and the TABLE at all times supplied with the choicest viands of the Country and City Markets.

"Good Wine needs no Bush." New Bar-Room, next door to Drug Store of Aisquith & Bro., Charleston, by J. H. EASTERDAY & BROTHER.

IT is an inextinguishable principle that no excellent drink can be made out of anything but excellent materials, and we conceive that we are safe in asserting that whatever may be prepared at our establishment will be able to speak eloquently for itself.

TO THE PUBLIC. G. VON BLUCHER, BANQUET of Sappington Hotel, Charleston, Va.

ANNOUNCES to the public that he has for sale by Retail the famous and Rare LIQUORS offered to the people of this Valley. His stock consists of BRANDIES, WHISKEYS, WINES, ALE, PORTER, &c., &c.

At his BAR may be found the most delicious and refreshing Summer beverages—Mint Juleps, Cobblers, Sarsaparilla, XX Ale, Porter, Crown Stout, or Whiskey and Brandy plain.

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First Floor of Sappington Hotel, by LACKLAND & AISQUITH, WHO announce that they have formed a Partnership as above, and invite an inspection of their Stock of TOBACCO, SEBARS, SNUFF, &c.

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WILSON and Lipscomb, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, No. 14 LAW BUILDING, Corner of St. Paul and Lexington Sts., BALTIMORE, MD. October 12, 1862.

W. M. G. GARDNER & CO. WHOLESALE DEALERS IN OILS AND LAMPS. KEROSENE, LUBRICATING LARD, BENZOLE, and other OILS, No. 1 South Liberty Street, Baltimore, Sept. 28, 1862—6m.

B. T. HYNSON & SON, MANUFACTURERS & DEALERS IN PAPER HANGINGS, Venetian Blinds and Window Shades, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, No. 54 North Howard Street, Baltimore. Paper Hanging done in Town or Country in the Best Manner. Country Trade supplied on liberal terms. Sept. 28, 1862—1y.

FRANK F. HORNER, GABLEWAY S. HOWARD, Frank F. Horner & Co. WHOLESALE DEALERS IN BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, Caps, &c. 324 Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Sept. 28, 1862—1y.

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