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other points of interest to while away

the tedium of her detention. I discov-

ered presently that Alexandria is pre-

senting a dull and sombre appearance,

and the grass is growing in its streets. As I passed over the Manassas road

past associations crowded upon me. I

called to mind the pleasant past, when

I had the opportunity in an humble way to lend my aid to the original pa-

trons, if not projectors, of this road, Mr. James K. Marshall and his broth-

er, Mr. Edward C., the last survivor

of the large and interesting family of

the distinguished Chief Justice of the

U. S., and when he is compared now

with those who succeeded Chief Jus-

tice Taney-how high, how very high

does he tower over them. It is the gi-

ant looking down from the great ele-

vation he attained in the sacred past,

on the miserable pigmies of the present. I recalled the circumstances un-

der which these brothers battled for

the construction of this road, aided by

our friends, Thomas, Pitman, Martz and others of the Valley, who have

joined the senior brother beyond the river. I recalled the delightful associ-ations of the circle of ladies, made up

in part of the charming daughters of

Mr. James K. Marshall and others of

their relatives and friends from Fau-

congregated at the Exchange and Bal-

lard, and gave a zest to the irksomeness

present day. I recalled the scenes that the sight of the village of Manassas

awoke, which, when the war broke out,

and we spent a night there on our way

from Washington to Richmond, con-

sisted of a single hamlet and the tents

of the handful of soldiers then recently

quartered there, and of the messages

I carried from the then commanding

officer to the authorities at Richmond.

Then came up in memory the view of

the battle field on the Wednesday

morning after the first fight, of the

Robison and the Henry and the old

Stone House, and other points of in-

terest yet fresh in memory, though now

I expect untraceable. We passed in

rapid review the scenes of the war, and

came down to its close when this road.

which had been almost entirely strip-

ped of its iron and dismantled, had

the opportunity presented to its most

excellent president, our-esteemed friend, Edward C. Marshall, of getting

back his iron from the general gov-

ernment, by an execution of the bonds

of the company at one and two years

road, an opportunity never regain-

ed. Could he have done this at that

opportune moment, the necessity would not have arisen that occurred only too

soon, when the private stockholders in

enable him to manage this, in connec-

tion with his road, as he no doubt

hoped to do for the best interests of all

concerned, but alas! soon found that

more. But I must hurry on. Present-

ly I found myself running down the

stem of the Y into the village of Front

Royal, but memory that will not down

had known years ago, had passed away.

ran down to Riverton, where since my

Cane & Lent, that, although tried by the mighty flood of 1870, was found so

staunch as to resist its awful menaces

and now does a flourishing business.

Here we ferried the river, in the old-

fashioned way, and taking our seat on

a hand car, with three young men,

from Sperryville, Va., en route to Ohio,

one of whom had to ride perched on

Uncle Sam's mail bags, the rest of us

bugging each other closely, to enable

us to hold firmly to our trembling,

quivering seats, and propelled by four

stalwart arms turning the crank of the

machine we sped over the intervening

nine miles to Strasburg at about the

same rate per mile that steam carried

us from Alexandria to Riverton. Here,

comfortably provided for by our friend

\$2:00 a Year in Advance

(From the Burlington Hawk-Eye.) AFTER THE COUNT.

Oh, if I were a Democrat, Oh, if I were a Democrat.

I'd ramp and howl and rave and swear And rip and tear.

And whoop and screech and snort and rare And stamp and paw the dirt.

If I were Henry Waterson,

'Ry Wattersen, I'd hide my shrunken head. I'd call for a hundred thousand men,

'Dred thousand men, To put me in my bed.

If I were Samuel Tildi-en, 'Mule Tildi-ing, If I were Samuel Tildi-ing. I'll tell you what I'd do; I'd crawl down in some lonely hole,

Some ground-hog s hole, Some dismal hole, Some lenesome, deep, secluded hole, And pull the hole in too.

If I were Rutherford Burchard Hayes Ford Burchard Haves. I'd say to the Hawk-Eye funny man The honest paragraphist.
"Here's a thirty thousand dollar pup,

Pup-pup-pup-pup-Pup-pup-pup-pup-Pap pup pup pup-pup-pup-pup-pup-Pup-pup-pup-pup-Post-Of

AMERICANISMS.

Some Expressions that Grate Harshly on the British Ear.

BY A BRITON.

The common weeds of English farms have crossed the Atlantic, and abound in the cultivated land of the Northern United States; and the happy chirp of the English house sparrow is familiar in American cities. Equally complete is tile settlement which the English tongue has effected, so that people whose surnames betray all sorts of original nationalities now speak it more purely than the majority of the people of England itself. The locomotive habits of Americans, and their universal habit of reading the newspaper, have saved them from provincialisms. Yet there are moderate peculiarities of diction in particular states, and over the country at large words and idioms are used which are unknown, or at least are differently understood, in Great Britain. These constitute the list of

we and ourselves face to face with these expressions. People are everywhere "guessing" and "calculating" without the slightest perception that there is anything odd in the phraseology. We look after our luggage and find that it has all become "baggage." An "express-man" is introduced to us, answering to the parcel-conveying agent of Britain, and, after taking down our ad dress, he hands us a brass "check" for each piece of baggage, fastening the counterpart of the check on the articles themselves. We ask the way to the railway terminus, and are informed that if we pass so many "blocks" we shall be at the "railroad depot;" or, still better, if we get into the "street cars," which we find to be genuine tramway carriages-the word "tramway" seems to be unknown in America-we shall be at the depot "right away" (i.

e., immediately.

Having purchased our ticket, we are introduced to an American "railroad car," with its two long rows of cushioned seats, its comfortable stove, its iced water, its other conveniences, and its hundred or more passengers, white and "colored" ("black" is not applied to the human face divine,) rich and poor; some of them, as we find out, being "dead heads" (i. e., having free passes on the train.) We soon see evidence of the nautical expressions which have fixed themselves on American traveling. "All aboard for Philadelphia" is the warning that the train is soon to start; the snorting of the locomotive's steam-horn makes our child exclaim that it is the big ship's foghorn, to which his ears were accustom ed on the voyage. "Freight train" appears in large letters as the designation of what the English call a "goods train;" and after we have started, the "conductor" (representing the English guard) comes through the car, examining and nipping the tickets, and collecting some of them. The locomotive has on its front a "cow-catcher," which often saves the lives of erraut quadrupeds, and protects itself from getting

"off the track." This little hamlet

which we pass without stopping is

marked as a "flag station." Thus we

come to learn that "station" means an

intermediate stooping-place; depot, a

chief stopping-place, or a terminus; and flag station signifies that it is only

put down or taken up at certain sta-

Arrived at our destination, we write to advise friends of our safety, and on proceeding to the post-office we do not "post," but "mail" our epistle. Next we proceed to a "store" (as the shops are called, the term "shop" being con-fined to a workshop,) and on asking the price of an article, we are informed that "it is worth"—thus the store-keeper puts the matter-so many "dollars" or so many "cents." Perhaps we are informed that it is worth so many "shillings" and so many "pence," and although surprised at the exorbitant price asked, we proceed to pay the money, whereupon we find that it costs each of them twelve cents, or sixpence

jugs are alt "pitchers;" she asks in a storekeeper, who had never heard of a stone measure of weight, inquired if it was a stone for the floor she wanted. A hundred weight means 100 lbs. weight. She wants black-lead, and she and the storekeeper have a difficulty in discovering that "stove-polish" is the article in quest. Goloshes are known as "gums" and "over-shoes," and "arctics" protect the feet in cold weather.

The sign-boards are instructive. One of them represents the establishment as a "drv goods store," the name for haberdashery; another bears the whim-sical legend, "notions," representing small wares of various kinds. Our maid herself has ceased to be a "servant," and we, who are king and queen of our domestic castle, are no more "master" and "missus." The free air of the country in which are "citizens," and no "subjects," has raised the servant to be a "help," and her employer to be "governor" or "boss," or if slang is to be avided, "Mr. A." or "Mrs. A." A "biscuit" is a soft bun, and a hard English biscuit is called a "cracker."-Notes representing a number of dollars are called 'bills;" small notes of ten or twenty-five or fifty cents are "green-backs" or "change." "Potatoes" are either "sweet potatoes" or "Irish potatoes." "Lumber" signifies timber or sawed boards. "Deal" is unknown as a specification of a kind of wood but the wood itself is abundant, and is called "white pine." "Vine" is used generally for any climbing plant, and the common phraseology runs of "grape vine," "ivy vine," and again of "poison

English terms of natural history are misapplied in a country where the species vary from those of Great Britain. The American "robin" is a large, red-breasted thrush; the "haw" is a kind of plum-tree; "daisy" is not the sweet, crimson-tipped flower of home. "Clever" does not indicate mental ability (which is expressed by "able" or "smart,") but means generosity of

The accent and tone of words sometimes peculiar. Mam'ma and pap'a, with accent on the first syllable, are universal; and we give testimo-ny with long o, not testimon-y as in Eu-

we are soon warned to avoid certain forms of diction. An American lady is never "homely," just as an English lady is not "plain," or an Irish lady "ordinary," these terms being all euphuistic for "ugly." The pillars of the human "Americanisms," to which new addi- frame are "limbs," to the exclusion of On our arrival by sea at New York, trousers on the legs of a piano.) This sions not recognized in English society. All sorts of flies and beetles are termed "bugs," the firefly being the "lightning

kind. The peculiarities of expression be traced to various sources. The American Indians have left their mark extensively in geographical names, and also in a few words which persist in the language of the country; as "hominy," for food prepared from Indian corn.— Some of their words, as cance, calumet, wigwam, tomahawk, and pemmican, are becoming classical English terms. "Maize" originated in the West Indies; "cob," expressing its head deprived of the seeds, and "shuck" for its husks, are probably Indian words, as is the widely-known "tobacco." "Guano" is Peruvian for "dung." "Corn," is employed in the United States for Indian corn. "Porridge," made of oatmeal, is called "mush," or "oatmeal mush," or simply "oatmeal." "Supper" means the English "tea," saving that tea is rarely used at it, coffee being the nacovered with rank shrubber,) and "boss" (employer or overseer,) are of Dutch parentage. "Prairie" i French; and quite a large number are Spanish, as mulatto, quadroon, creole, filibuster, savannah, stampede. Germans, Negroes and Chinese have also made their mark in the popular vocabulary.

The history and circumstances of the country are responsible for many significant expressions. A "stump orator is one who made his speeches with the stumps of felled trees as his rostrums. A "bee" is a party of friendly neighbors come to help a man in some piece of work; building-bees and quiltingbees, and now spelling bees, illustrate the use and modification of the term "Bumcombe," as hypocritical enthusi asm in speechifying, came from a place which one of these orators represented; "spread-eagleism" is proclaiming how America beats the world; "high falutin" is a bombastic style of language.-(None of these articles are in favor, as we are glad to observe.) "Bogus" means deception, after the name of one who was able at counterfeiting. "Shodby notice or signal that passengers are dy" came from England; it means shreddy, as made up of rotten shreds, and was applied to bad clothing furnished by government contractors.

Some of the Americanisms savor of slang; thus, to "run" a concern or to run a church, is to manage its finances; and if the affair "comes to grief," as the English say, "Brother Jonathan" remarks that it "has gone up the spout;" if it is only in difficulties, then he says "it is gone up a tree" (like an opossum when hunted.) The "hub," or nose of a cart-wheel, means the centre of refinement, and, having been applied to Boston by one of its own citizens, the name stuck. "Skedaddle," is a Scotch (or Greek) term Americanized, and is retained because of its odd only half what we had set upon it, that sound. "Scallawag" is a very pithy the pence are cents, and the shillings designation for one who is a loafer and a scamp combined. The English "chimney-pot" hats are not so known | rest with old Morpheus' leave, and

store for a "stone of flour," and the that he is without resource, that his last card has been played but failed.—
"Nine cheers and a tiger" is a call for the applause to be backed by such a yell as is only heard in American continuous tion meetings. Some of the slang, as "prospecting," "cantankerous," has "prospecting," "Cantankerous," has "Cantankerous, yell as is only heard in American elecdown' and "sunup" need no explana-tion; nor does the "fall" for autumn.-"Varmin" means all sorts of wild ani

By far the largest class of Americanisms are good old English words. which have become obsolete in the mother country, or have descended to the rank of provincialisms. Thus, to fetch, to trudge, folks, gal, gumption, and even to squelch. Just as it is impossible for the language of any country to remain at a standstill, so it is impossible that two large nations separated by the Atlantic Ocean shall continue to speak the same tongue without constant divergencies of idiom arising. The wonder is that the United States, as large as all Europe, havng forty millions of inhabitants, welded together from all nations, should adhere so closely to the language of Eng-

(For the Commonwealth.) Jottings by the Way.

Mr. EDITOR:-How true is it "man roposes but God disposes." I left my horse in your town Sabbath night for a speedy trip to Philadelphia, hoping to return in time Wednesday evening to reach my house. Yet Thursday 12 m. finds me comfortably seated at the desk of O. F. Pirkey, Esq., the pleasant and geutlemanly agent, telegraph operator, &c., of the B. & O. R. R.— Don't let the readers suppose I have een loafing around here generally. On being comfortably seated, and casting my eyes around in the cars, after we got out of sight of your town, almost the first persons I espied were a pair of young folks, just married a few-weeks before, and hieing away as, alas! too many are doing, to find a home in the State of Illinois, Sangamar county. The bride I had known from infancy, and when she took the marriage vows she did it under the paternal roof, and was the last of a large family, leaving the father, whose locks are now whitened with the snows of near seventy winters, solitary and alone, his wife having years ago gone to that happy land where those go who give evidence here they are prepared. Well, we whiled away the time with them and tions are being made from time to time. the shorter word (though I never saw other acquaintances, and had passed quier and other parts of the State, that Winchester and Charlestown, and were of the well furnished basket of the of legislation, entirely unknown at the bride, who must have had it filled in prospect of getting out of the cars at bug;" and so of May bugs, and other San Francisco, when bump, hump, bugs of attractive and not repulsive jump, and all were shaken up as tho a juvenile earthquake had started up somewhere under the train, but in the general surprise and momentary alarm, it was amusing to witness the blanched cheeks of a pair of young folks fleeing, not from the wrath to come, in a Scriptural sense, but to some Gretna Green, where the twain might be made one flesh, and the blooming bride no doubt mentally exclaimed, "Heavens, Jube! papa will get a telegram of the accident and detention here at Hall Town, and will notify Mr. B. at Harper's Ferry to arrest us. What, oh what shall we do?" I did not learn who "Jube" was, but the bride, who was to be and no doubt was, for we heard of no arrest at H. F., was said to be the daughter of one Rev. H-e, a prominent preacher of the U. B. in C. Church. I doubt not they were properly spliced somewhere and in good time. Through the carelessness tional beverage. "Cookey" (a Christmas cake,) "dough nuts" (balls of sweetened dough, fried,) "bush" (land and two cars jumped the track and accede to, and thus lost the goldsuddenly came to a halt, no body hurt, en opportunity of rehabilitating his though some scared. We lost two hours, and a train came up from H. F. and took us in. We took the train via Washington, and instead of getting into the city in time to see something of the procession, &c., were just the vain hope that by surrending their in time to see the tame and sober, and stock to our friend John S. Barbour to evidently the disappointed people re-turning in crowds towards Baltimore and Philadelphia. We presently fell into deep slumber, and dreamed of Returning Boards, Wells, Kellogg, et he had to surrender both to the conid omne genus, and were awakened by trol of that Procrustean corporation, the last of the crowd in our coach fil- the Balto. & Ohio, which measures ing past us, when doubtless some kind everything by its capacity to feed its and considerate fellow traveller must rich corporation and the city of Baltihave twitched our nose, else we might have been sleeping there yet. We stepped into a restaurant in the depot, got a nice cup of coffee, that was not coffee cousin, as our old negro Sid at your bidding reminded me that Jawould say in disgust, when he had to cobs, and Blakemore, and Turner, and gulp down some of the wishy washy Buck, (the Maj.) and many others I stuff, that, alas, in these degenerate days of crooked whiskey, &c., we find A moment's detention there, we then on nine tables out of ten, and a dish of elegant oysters, and carpet bag in first acquaintance with my old friend hand wended our solitary way down Maj. Richards, who yet lives hard by, Pratt St. to the comfortable reception and whom I regret I did not see, there rooms of the eastern depot, where we has grown up that large and magnifidiscussed Hayes' inauguration, and cent mill, erected by Messrs. Weston,

Presently we were on board the train for Philadelphia, and surrounded by a jolly crowd of both sexes from that city, who had been to see the pageant' we banished sleep until 3 a. m., when we drew up in the west Philadelphia depot. One of the ladies acknowledged to us the whole thing was an exceed-ingly tame affair, and but for the huzzaing and noise of the negroes, would have been very quiet. A big hurly negro and a white man got into a fisticuff just under the speaker, Governor Hayes, and were soon hustled off by the police. We snatched a few hours Our maid, who has accompanied us from the old country, is somewhat put out by the novelty of terms. The small of the country in the United States, but are called soon after light found ourself on the several interesting wife been for years contribution to the several points in the city where business carbuing to the comfort of the traveling thinks it best for him to secure a share buting to the comfort of the traveling thinks it best for him to secure a share buting to the comfort of the traveling thinks it best for him to secure a share but no country bu

probable policy with a pair of Pennsylvania citizens who had taken part

health; and "he's played out" indicates that he is without resource, that his last card has been played but failed.—
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But the sound of the whistle of the left her with hope on her part she would meet an acquaintance, who would escort her to the Capitol and

train that is to carry me home, reminds me I must stop, and methinks I hear your readers, if they have had the patience to follow me, draw a long breath and say thank fortune he is done.

For the Comwonwealth. Ms. Editor:-When will the time come that Virginia will find her representatives in her Legislature with intelligence enough to appreciate her condition and independence enough to carry out their convictions of duty?-It is next to impossible now to answer the question. Seeing her crushed with taxation, her credit impaired at home and abroad, grass growing in the streets of most of her towns, her young, worthy, enterprising and industrious men, with sadness and regret turning their backs upon her, and constrained to seek homes in the South and West, whilst her Legislature at Richmond are fiddling whilst Rome is burning. Satisfied, if possessed of even a modicum of intelligence that they ought to im-pose heavy taxes on whiskey and dogs and not only relieve real estate, now so oppressively burdened, but a step that will encourage immigration, and cover our bills and waste lands with flocks and berds that now, because of their stupid policy, are swarming over the hills of California, the praries of Texas and the waste lands of Australia. Who is it of ordinary intelligence that does not know that the improductive and tended lands of Virginia if covered with flocks, would not sustein numberless factories, that would afford remunerative employment to the now idle and consequently poor thousands of females of both colors, that would regard it a God-send, to find such an asylum where they could labor and be comfort-

These ideas are brought in full force to my mind sitting in the depot at Strasburg watching for the train, which will not only carry me to my home, but carry from Virginia to a home at some point in Obio, perhaps about Xenia, Silas Bruce, R. A. Miller and R. H. Frazier, of Sperryville, Rappahannock county, Va., where they hope to do better than the opportunity is afforded them to do, among those who are near and dear to them.

Mr. Editor, has it ever occurred to you, that the combined pain, anguish and regret, of an entire community, that is elicited, in being called upon to part with a large company of their most promising and clever men and women driven away, under the circumstances I have depicted, ought if it could be done, be so inflicted on our would-be Solomons, who go to Richmond, that they should experience it, as a punishment for not doing their duty? At the time these three young men left, there was another company of fourteen men and women left Sperryville and Washington, Rappahannock, for Sherman, Tex., and its neighborhood, consisting in part of two sons of lawyer Menefee, Thomas Massey, Frank Mellon, John Heaton, John Rudirie and his sister just married to John Scott, who had some years before found a home there, returned for his bride, and whose favorable representatives of the advantages of that coun try, has resulted in making him the pioneer that has prompted this exodus from Virginia-his loved mother, and caused him to help swell the half mil

[For the Commonwealth.] From Ohio.

lion of immigrants that yearly find

DEAR COMMOOWEALTH:-Since my 'demolishment" by your worthy Pailadelphia correspondent, Mr. Welding, I am not sure that I can find enough either of myself or news, to interest your readers. However, that you may know that I am not "intimidated" nor "bulldozed," and as Mr. W. has attacked my article with such a flow of eloquence and such forcible (?) logic, I am persuaded to say something at least. I wondered why Mr. W. should write as he did, until I read his explanation at the last. I imagine he wrote his letter after supper at a Centennial boarding house, where the table was supplied with the delicacies (?) and sweet meats such as he mentioned. Ah! poor fellow! No wonder he wrote such an able article against cremation .-Claudius says, "The stomach is a mas-ter of arts and a bestower of Genius." Necessity often draws 'forth Talent which bad before lain dormant and un-

known even to its possessor. We are glad to see that Mr. W. is so

delusive phantom of alleviating the miseries of the eternal burning of the soul by cremating the body after death, that it may become used to it? This is like the Irishman that was to be hung, to console his friends said: "It is nothing when ye are once used to As we said before, Mr. W. is undoubtedly a bible reader, but we greatly fear he misunderstood Paul's advice

to Timothy, and took more than enough for the stomach's sake, (though we are aware he needs a good deal with such eatables as he says he is compelled to eat at his "Centennial boardinghouse,") and some of it flew to his head when he was about to write his last article. As none of your readers are crema-

tionists, we shall not weary them by further replying to the over-powering and crushing avalanche of Mr. W's. letter. Yours, truly, C. E. F.

The Cognac District. There is a small district in the South

of France known as the Deux Charentes, which has a commercial centre called Cognac. From the grapes of this district there comes a wine, and from this wine there is distilled a celebrated liquor, which is named after the place and called Cognac braudy. The Cognac brandy district begins at Angouleme, about three hundred miles south of Paris, and comprises from fifty to sixty square miles. It is divided into five parts and is cut in two from East to West by the river Charente. The parts are, in the order of their importance as established by the quality of the brandy they produce, though in the inverse order as to size, as follows: The Grande Champagne; the Petit Champagne; the Borderies, a strip of land along the banks of the Charente, opposite the Grande Champagne; the Fins Bois, and the Bon Bois. The country is undulating. The surface, dotted with towns and villages, and diversified by occasional tracts of woodland between bright green pastures on either bank of the river, is divided into fields spotted with walnut trees and vineyards, with red roofed farm houses, and traversed by broad roads lined with rows of tall elms and poplars. The soil is princi pally clayey and finty rock, supported by a bed of chalk or limestone, and occasionally of marl, that in the Grande and Petit Champagne being

Great Little Men-

Many-we might almost say mostof the great men of history have been men of short stature; from the days of that ancient philosopher who, as the story goes, was so diminutive that he had to carry lead in his pockets to prevent his being blown away. Canute the Great, for example, was a singularly small man; Napolean, too, was little; Nelson had no heights to boast of, and the great Coade was short enough. Hildebrand-Gregory the Seventh-the mightiest of all the Popes, was also quite a diminutive person. Then among men of letters, poets and philosopher, Montaigne, the essayist was little; so was Pope—"a little crooked thing that asked questions;" so was Dryden, so was Dr. Watts, who insisted, as we know, on the mind being the stature of the man, and so was Scarron, who alluded at once to his ill-health and his little size, called himself an "abridgement of human miseries."

Funny Newspaper Men.

Many people wonder who really are the men who make up the humor of the Nineteenth Century. The Turners Falls (Mass.) Reporter gives the following list of humorous paragraphers, with the names of the newspapers to which they respectively belong:

George E. Dennite
Cocil T. Bagnail Turners Falls Reports
J. M. Bailey Danbury New
George D. Bayard
Nathaniel Rurbank New Orleans Remubited
Robert J. BurdettBurlington Hawk-E
George L. Catlin N. Y. Com. Advertise
W A Chowne
W. A Croffut
I. M. Gregory
Chas. Burdette HartBaltimore America
J. HatcherCourier-Journa
J. G. P Holden Yonkers Gaset
C. B. Lewis Detroit Free Pre
"P. I. Man" New York Hera
Will G. Reynold Reynolds Heral
W. E. Williams Fulton Tim
Bart. L. Bousall Camden Po
J. J. Leidy Newark Sunday Ca
J. Dark Chandle Easton Free Pre-
E. M. Rewon Worcester Pre
M. L. Spicer Boston Com. Bulleti
Samuel W. Small
Stiles T. Stanton
Alexandrer L. SweetSan Antonio Hera
Alexandrer L. Sweet Antonio Heral
Ausburn Towner
Stanley Waterloo St. Louis Republica
Francis Welles Phila. Evening Bulleti
W. A. Wilkins Whitehall Tim
J. H. Williams Morristown Hera-
E. E. Wood Chicago Evening Journa

A Union Street girl discovered her young brother out behind the shed the other day, pulling away at a sweet fern

"There, young man!" she exclaimed as the cigar hastily disappeared behind the boy's back; "I'll tell your father of you—see if I don't."

"Yes, you tell 'im," retorted the brotehr, suddenly recovering himself; "you tell 'im an' see how quick that feller o'
yourn'll skip. I'll tell father how you
an' 'im was sittin' on the parlor sofy,
an' him buggin' you like blazes. You
jes go and tell, that's all I ask."

The sister very discreetly withdraw, while the young statesman finished his smoke in tranquility.

A kind-hearted clergyman asked a convict how he came to be in jail. The fellow said, with tears in his eyes, that he was coming home from prayer meeting, and sat down to rest, fell asleep, and while he was asleep there the well versed in the Writ. And because county built the jail around him, and "The wicked shall be cast into fire," he | when he awoke the jailor refused to let

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All who have had the privilege of being drawn on a jury must be familiar with this quaint old Norman French expression, used by the sheriff or his representative when opening court.

But few have been lucky enough to listen to such an exordium as came upon the astonished ears of the Mansfields and O'Conners of Muskingum, from the lips of the compatriot of Bismark,

Wm. Ruth is sheriff of Muskingum county, Ohio. He is also of the Ten-tonic persuasion. When he was ignor-ant of his duties and greatly troubled about the proper way of opening the court, he confided his troubles to Congressman Southard and several other members of the bar, and they coached him in his duties, giving him to under-stand that he was a higher official than the court itself, and that Judge Frazier, of the Common Pleas, was in the habit of interfering with the sheriff in a manher that no well-regulated sheriff ought to tolerate. "Py shimmy 'ith dot so?" said the functionary. "Vell yust vait till I opens de court, und he find dat Bill Root ish not Pense Lloyd

by a jug full."

When the court came on Sheriff Ruth verified his prediction. For weeks he had been practicing on his opening speech, and Judge Frazier turned to him with a look of judicial dignity and said:

"Mr. Sherriff, open the court."
Mr. Ruth struck an attitude and

"O yes, hear eferybody und der peeples in sheneral, dat der honorable pody of Muskingum county ish now in pleas, and dat its doors are open for hear her gomblaints of all der youmanry and gommon, und take gognizance of all misdemeanors und-

"Hold on there! Hold on Mr. Sheriff what is the meaning of all this rigamarole?" exclaimed Judge Frazier.
"Shudge, shust hold a leetle on," returned the sheriff. "I'm Bill Root;

der sheriff of dis gounty, and I know my pishness, und to transact in dis-gourt und any gauses to present for its honorable gonsideration will now ap-proach, und dat same make known, und may God Almighty hef merey on your souls, und all oft mit your hat By the time the sheriff concluded

even Judge Frasier was roaring with laughter. It took the constables half an hour to restore order. The first case was called, and the Judge said: "Mr. Sheriff, call Peter Jones, John

Smith and Sarah White three times at the door.'

Advancing to the door and opening it about three inches, he pitched his voice to the highest key, and began:
"Peter Shones, Shon Smit, Sara Vite.

Shon Shones, Peter Smit, Sara Vite, Sara Shones, Peter Vite, Shon Smit, come into gourt mit your dree dimes. Yer honor, dey gome now." Judge Frazier-"That willinever do.

sall them three times, one at a time.' Sheriff Ruth-"Peter Shones Shon Smit, Sara Vite, dree times, one at a dime, gome into the gourt mitons

Judge Frazier-"That's worse than before. Call one of them three times." Sheriff Ruth-"Mr Shudge, shoost look here. Dat is ven you make foolish mit me. You say call dree dimes vonce und den you say call them vonce dree dimes, and den you say dat ish worse und worse; if you vant Peter Shones und Smit und Sara Vite vonce dree dimes or dree dimes volice, you better call dem yourself. I cannot stand dat kind of foolishness."

Sheriff Ruth retired to Fred Ditner's and refreshed himself with sundry glasses of lager, while the constable called the witness.

Loving and Hating.

"If you love, love more. If you hate hate less. Life is too short to spend in hating any one. Why war against a mortal who is going the same road with us? Why not expand the flower of life and happiness by learning to love, by teaching those who are near and dear the beautiful lesson? Your hands may be bard, but your beart need not be. Your forms may be beut and ugly, but do you know that the most beautiful flowers often grow in the most rugged, unsheltered places? The palace for care, the cotage for love. Not that there is no love in a mansion; but somehow, if we are not careful, business will crowd all there is of beauty out of the heart. This is why God has given us the Sabbath and Saturday night that we may leave business in the office and have a heart cleansing."

A gentleman sent his Irish servant to a neighboring grocery to get a demijohn.

"Misther Crawford sent me here to get a dimmercrats!" said Pat. "A what !" exclaimed the astonish-

ed shopkeeper. "A dimmercrat," repeated the Irishman.

"Now, wasn't it a demijohn that he sent you to get?"

"And sure it's fooling wid me year". What's the differ? Isn't it all the same thing whether it's a dimmercrat or a demijohn? It's something to hold bad whiskey, anyhow."--Portland Press.

A witty writer has observed, with much truth, thah every man is, in a sense, three different men. In the first place be is the man he thinks himself to be; in the second place, he is the man other persons think him to be : and finally, he is the man that he realis

Nearly 100,000 Germans are settled in some forty counties in Texas, particularly Comal and Guadalupe, and they are highly successful as agriculC. H. VANDERFORD, EDITOR.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAR, 15, 1877.

The ball keeps rolling and fraud is receving its just condemnation. Ellsworth, Maine, the home of the frisky Eugene Hale, last week elected a Democratic Mayor and Democratic councilmen in three of the five wards.

The Petersburg Post, in a recent article, spoke of the COMMONWEALTH as being published in Shenandoah county. How the editor found out that Harris onburg was in Shenandoah we are un ble to tell, unless it was by studying one of Mahone's railroad maps.

By the lis of the new Senate Committees we notice that Senator Johnston has been assigned to the committees on "Foreign Relations" and "Man-"ufactures," and Senator Withers to the committees on "Appropriations" and "Engrossed Bills."

"What does Blaine mean?" asks the Baltimore Gazette, referring to his speech upon the admiss on of Kellogg. Blaine is meen enough for anything .-He is a bundle of hate and vituperation and makes up in audacity and Yankee adroitness what he lacks in ability.

Returning Board Hayes was a nice little boy. He was his mother's pride, the idol of his State and the joy of the nation. He was a regular and punctual Babbath school scholar, but the cate chism he studied did not contain the commandment-"Thou shalt not steal."

Mr. Haves proposes to be "amiably stubborn" in carrying out his policy. His cabinet appointments were strennously opposed by Blaine, Morton, Cameron and other extremists, but Mr. Haves was "amiably stubborn" and will not withdraw his nominations. After full consideration they were all conconfirmed with but two dissenting

Hayes' Inaugural address will be found on the fourth page of this issue. Its tone is good and its promises fair. We are not much elated over it, however. Promises are easily made. Grant
made fair promises and spoke honeyed
words to the South. He said "let us

Telled. Blane, soured by defeat at Cincinnati, after the nomination seemed to be in nati, after the nation seemed to be in nati, after the nation seemed to be in nation se ever. Promises are easily made. Grant have peace," and gave us nothing but turmoil. We prefer to judge Mr. Hayes by his acts rather than by his promises.

den received nearly 300,000 popular majority and yet was declared not elected, how much majority the Democratic candidate in 1880 will require to secure his seat. It is not a question of majority, but of Returning Boards shown that there is a difference without a and eight-by seven commissions. The Democrats will have to have three or four of the former and one of the latter.

Jim Blaine, of Maine, the self constituted leader of the Republicans in the Senate, and the great "I Am" of the whole Republican party, wants his tongue to cleave to the roof of his mouth and his right hand forget its cunning if he ever wavers or falters in defence of the carpet baggers of the South. It would be well if his vile tongue would cleave and his right hand lose its cunning at once.

We feel a little soncitous about the editor of the Richmond Whig. When Senator Moffett exercised his ingenuity and brought forth a whisky bell punch, and then framed a bill to make it obligatory upon all venders of the "ardent" to use them, the Whig assumed the championship of the measure.-Since its failure in the House the editor refuses to be comforted, and every day lampoons the Legislature for not passing it.

Mrs. Mary A. Long, wife of Gen. A. S. Long, a General in the Confederate Army, has been confirmed as Postmistress at Charlottesville. Her application had been numerously signed by the citizens of Charlottesville, in the expectation of the inauguration of Gov. Tilden as President, but when that event became uncertain she made a personal application for the position to President Grant, who promptly sent her nomination to the Senate, which body confirmed ber appointment, much to the surprise of Mr. Massie, the lateincumbent of the office, who is represented as having been an excellent offi-

How California was carried by the Republicans was fully explained by the N. Y. World in November last, and now an investigating Committee reports that there were 8,105 fraudulent votes cast in the city of San Francisco. A fair election would have given the State to Tilden, and twelve more votes would have been added to his honest majority of twenty-three. Pennsylvania was carried for Hayes by frauds in Pittsburg and Philadelphia, and her twenty-nine votes should have been given to Tilden. Had the election in November been free and fair throughout

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property, but he is a thief nevertheless. Mr. Tilden was elected President. He and the people have been cheated out of the election. To all honest men this is an intolerable. grievance, not only because they believe Mr. Tilden would really have reformed the Federal Government, but still more because the inauguration of a President through fraud, bribery, and the violation of the Constitu-tion is a calamity that threatens to produce the most permicious consequences hereafter.
We do not mourn for Mr. Tilden; he needs nobody to mourn for him. Being cheated out of the election does not hurt him. All the lies and the malignity that him. All the lies and the malignity that have been poured out upon him have not left a spot upon his character. What he has done for the State of New York in the reformation of its government forms his enduring monument; and the fact that out of the intelligent white citizens of the United States a majority of one million have voted to make him President, is something which ought to silence every liar and slanderer in the land. For him, then, no regret is necessary.

What we mourn for is the incomparable the incredible disaster and disgrace which have been brought upon our country in the inauguration of a President who was not

(Special Correspondence of the Commonwealth.) From Washington.

THE NEW ADMINISTRATION-HAVES FIRST WEEK IN OFFICE-WHAT WILL HIS POLICY BE - DISAPPOINTMENTS, EMBARRASS-MENTS. AND HOPE.

WASHINGTON, March 12, 1877. Washington, March 12, 1871.
With the defeat of the fillibustering Democrats in the House, came peace and tranquility to the bosom of the man who has been suffered to usurp the Presidential title. Notwithstanding that he was a million in the minority, that the constitution and the laws were trodden in the dust, and foul villainy exalted justice's shrine, Mr. Hayes was peacefully in augurated and now rules the "God moves in a mysterious way his won-

ders to perform." It would not only be a wonder, but a miracle, if, after all, it should come to pass that the nation's malefactors had placed in power their own executioner.

Blood from a turnip is hard of extraction, good from evil seems an impossible deriva-tion, but still there are new-born hopes in the minds of many that Mr. Hayes is becoming a coward to his conscience and contemplates atonement. His Cabinet is a blister on the tongues of his late managers. After week's awearing in executive session, all the nominations were confirmed. Morton was remembered by the appointment of Thompson, of Indiana, to the Navy Depart-ment. The American Alliance element has been recognized by the same appointment, as Thompson's only fame is a literary production entitled "civil power and the papacy in the United States," a bigoted, partisan and scurrilous tirade—just what might be expected from a convent sacking, Quaker burn ing Puritan. Cameron rivals Zich. Chandler with blasphemy, because his son Don is retired. Blaine, soured by defeat at Cincinnation of the chandler with the convention of the change of t in the findings of the Electoral Commission, and also shirked a leading chance to oppose the decisions, the outrageous character of which he knew and felt. He insists that the which he knew and felt. He insists that the question of Kellogg's admission must receive the fullest discussion and broadest investigation of the New York Tribune, and in 1865-6 General Schurz was Washington correspondent of the New York Tribune, and in 1867 he became editor of the Westliche Post, a German newspaper published in St. Louis, is Chairman. Blaine takes sardonic delight in 1869 he was chosen United States Senator in Missouri for the term ending in 1875. He in reminding the administration Senators in Missouri for the term ending in 1875. He that if Mr. Hayes was elected, Mr. Packard opposed leading measures of General Grant's most assuredly was, as he received several hundred more votes than the Hayes electors. Then comes in that peculiarly crooked, hair splitting construction of constitutional State

> distinction. All this manoeuvering among the Radicals In the Senate is disgustingly transparent. It don't require very close analysis or observation to see plainly now that after the nation al crime has been perpetrated; after they have debauched everything held sacred in the political life of a nation, there is a desire to "stand from under;" make an abstract show of virtue, which is a well known ac

rights laws, so familiar to returning boards

cessory to prostitution.

Hayes having acted the part of innocence. framed in gilt, is now making a puny effort to snub the most notorious of his architects, not that he has no gratitude for their services but because he has, from the first, striven to clothe himself in garments of sauctimonious and unseffish resignation, obedient to the call of country and patriotism. If anything was lacking to convince the public mind of his sycophant hypocracy, it was sup plied in his lamb-like martyrdom, when he proclaimed he cared not for himself, "but he poor colored man."

If he recognizes Nicholls and Hampton

he will do so simply for the purpose of calming the exasperation of the people over the enormity of their wrongs. He has made promises on both sides; appears too good natured to refuse anybody anything. He has indicated his desire to withdraw the troops in the interest of local self-government; and yet he assured Chamberlain's emissaries, who called on him no later than Friday last. that he will maintain the statu quo established by his predecessor. He is in a most deplorable predicament of doubt, fear and frembling. Ominous sounds have come from Louislans, reverterated through Wells, Anderson and the rest of the Board still here, which warn him that should he prove traitor to his brothers in crime, the light of day will be allowed to shine on the dark deeds which served as the foundation of his fraudulent elevation-hence the recent overures made to Packard to accept the collectorship of the port of New Orleans. Evarts and Stanley Matthews have tried to palaver Chamberlain into quiet abdication, but they stand firm, and appear to know the strength of unity. They, unlike the Democrats, will take no risks in commissions of arbitrationnothing but money will buy them, and the Radical party appears unwilling to pay the Returning Board twice—the first time for swearing Packard and Hayes were elected, now for swearing Packard was not. It is the general belief that Hayes will, if possible, compromise with his troublesome henchmen and withdraw the troops. He will then lis-ten for plaudits from the South, conclude he has divided the Democratic party, and

ask the people to pray for him for taking his foot off of their necks. There now appears to be no doubt of an extra session of Congress about the middle of May. The contest for the Speakership will be an exciting one. The House will b so exceedingly close that the slightest defection among Democrats will give the organization to the Republicans. Randall; Sayler and Cox are leading in Democratic men-tion. Mr. Adams, the present Clerk, will doubtless be renominated, while the next best position in the grft of the House, will, probably, be voted to Mr. Geo. C. Wedder burn, of Virginia, who is already pledged al most the entire Democratic support. If Wedderburn fights for himself as valiantly

patronage attached to it.

There is considerable talk of extensive

Ex-President Grant is already sinking into obscurity. He tried his best to defeat iment, served through the war, and surren Schurz's confirmation, but even that Dutch dered in North Carolina under General Joe contortionist is beyond the reach of his wa-

The New York Sun, commenting on an article in the Boston Transcript on Mr. Tilden being counted out, truthfully says:

The grievance cannot be removed by any

The grievance cannot be removed by any any and the grievance cannot be removed by any a good conduct on the part of Mr. Hayes. A thief may make a benevolent use of stolen in New York city, where he immediately en tered upon the practice of his profession.— In a few years his industry and fidelity, as well as his ability as an advocate, gained him a large clientage, and before he was thirty years of age he held a high position in his profession. In 1851 he was appointed United States District Attorney for the Southern District of New York. He was prominently urged for United States Senator in 1861, but was defeated by Ira Harris, who was made the compromise candidate. From July 15, 1868, until the close of President Johnson's administration he was Attorney-General of the United States, and in 1871 he was selected by President Grant as the leading connected by the United States and in 1871 he was selected by President Grant as the leading connected by the United States at the Connected by President Grant as the leading connected the United States at the Connected by President Grant as the States at the States a sel of the United States at the Geneva arbi tration. These are the only public positions which he has ever held, or to which he was supposed to aspire; and it is at the bar where he gained his most conspicuous and distinguished honors. JOHN SHERMAN, SECRETARY OF THE TREAS

John Sherman, of Ohio, Secretary of the Treasury, was born at Lancaster, in that State, May 10, 1823; his father, Judge Sher man, being one of the pioneers of Central Ohio. For him only the schools of his native Onio. For him only the schools of his native county were open, and he quit them at four teen years of age. For some years he was attached to the engineer corps of the Muskingum improvement. He afterward removed to Mausfield, where he studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1844. He soon won a lucrative practice, and attained while quite a young man a leading position, both at the bar and in politics. In 1848 and and 1852 he was a delegate to the Whig National Conventions, and was a warm supporter of both ventions, and was a warm supporter of both Gen. Taylor and Gen. Scott for the presidency. During the political excitement of 1854, which followed the repeal of the Missouri compromise, he became a candidate for Cen gress from the thirteenth Ohio district, and he was elected in a district which had previously been Democratic by the aid of Whigs, Democrats, and Freesollers. He was subsequently re-elected to the thirty fifth, thirty-sixth, and thirty seventh Congresses, and in 1859-60 he was the Republican candidate for Speaker of the House of Representatives The contest was a memorable one, but Mr Sherman was defeated after a six weeks' struggle, Mr. Pennington, of New Jersey, being elected. In 1861, when Senator Chase resigned to accept a position in President Lincoln's Cabinet, Mr. Sherman was chosen to succeed him, and he has remained in the Senate ever since.

CARL SCHURZ, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR Carl Schurz, Secretary of the Interior was born at Livlar, near Cologne, Prussia, March 2, 1829. He was educated at the Gymnasium of Cologne and the University of Bonn, which he entered at the age of seventeen. At the outbreak of the revolution of 1848 he con ducted a liberal newspaper, but being con-ceroed in an unsuccessful attempt to pro-mote an insurrection at Bonn, he fied to the Palatinate and took part in the defenses of Rastadt. On the surrender of that fortress he escaped to Switzerland. In 1850 he returned secretly to Germany and effected the escape of his compatriot, Gottfreid Kinkle. Mr. Schurz came to this country in 1852, and soon after took an active part in the anti slayery movement in the Northwast. He was an influential member of the Republican convention of 1860, and spoke both in German and English during the canvass which followed. President Lincoln appointed Mr. Schurz minister to Spain, but he returned therefrom in December, 1861, in order to enter the army. He took part in the battles of the second Bull Run, Chancellorsville, and administration, and took a prominent part in the organization of the liberal party, presid ing over the convention in Cincinnati, which nominated Horace Greeley for the presidency visited Europe in 1873, and again in 1875. On his return he took part in the political canvass in Ohio, and during the recent campaign labored for the election of President

GEORGE W. M'CRARY, SECRETARY OF WAR. George W. McCrary, of Iowa, Secretary of War, was born at Evansville, Ind, in August, 1835, and in the following year removed what was then Wisconsin Territory. He studied in the public school and was gradu ated from an academy; then took up law as a profession, and in 1856, when 21 years of people of that city at once, and in 1857 wa-sent to the State Legislature. In 1861 he was elected to the State Senate, where he served until the close of the war, taking an active part in the legislation incident to that period. He gave the remaining years until 1868 to the practice of his profession, and was then elected to Congress He was re-elected to the succeeding Congresses. Mr. McCrary is credited with having taken the first step in the legislation which created the late electoral tribunal. On December 7 last he introduced a resolution providing for a joint committee of the two houses to consider a mode of counting the electoral vote. The olution was referred to the Judiciary Com mittee, of which he was a member. reported it promptly, and it was passed. Mr. McCrary was one of the joint committee on the part of the House, and when the electoral

bill was finally laid before that body for action he was the first speaker in its support RICHARD W. THOMPSON, SECRETARY OF THE Richard W. Thompson, Secretary of the Navy, is a Virginian by birth, and a Whig politician of the old school. He was born in Culpeper county on June 9, 1809, and received a good classical education. In 1831 he settled in Louisville as a clerk in a small store. Subsequently he removed to Law rence county, Indiana, where he taught school for a few months, and then went into a store, selling goods by day and studying law by night. In 1834 he was admitted to the bar, and was almost immediately elected to the Indiana Legislature. He was re elec-ed in 1835, and in the following year went to the Senate, where he served two years, being president pro tem. of that body. In paign of 1840 he worked zealously for "Tippecanoe and Tyler too," being a presidential elector and speaking constantly from the stump. In 1841 he was elected a representative in Congress. In 1844 he was again chosen a presidential elector, and in 1847 reappeared in Congres. President Taylor reappeared in Congres. President Taylor offered him the appointment of charge d'af fares to Austria, and President Fillmore the office of recorder of the general land office, but he preferred to practice his profession. In 1864 he was elected a presidential elector, and in 1868 he was a delegate to the Republican National Convention. His friends say that he has constucted more party platforms than any other politician in the West. The resolutions adopted by the Chicago conven-tion in 1860 were drawn up and read by him. He was chairman of the Indiana delegation at the Cincinnati convention last year, and voted for Mr. Morton until the break was made for Mr. Hayes.

DAVID M. KEY, POSTMASTER GENERAL. David M. Key, Postmaster-General, was sorn in Greene county, East Tennessee, in 824. His father was a Baptist minister, as he did for Tilden, and for the filliustering party in the House, he will have no competitor to confront him. The office has large school himself to obtain means to pay his school himself to obtain means to pay was through college. In 1850 he was grad-uated at Hiawasse College, East Tennessee, studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1853, changes in government offices in the South, but I do not think there is much truth in it. The postmastership and collectorship at Richmond may change hands shortly. erate army, entering the service as lieuten-ant colonel of the Forty third Tennessee reg-Johnston. In 1865 his old friend Andrew the country Tilden would have had a ing power. Alas, for greatness: from the popular majority of 300,000 and an electoral majority of ninety-three votes.

Contortionist is beyond the reach of this was joinistin. He returned to his home in Chattanooga andre weeket did ency to where?—let his record indicate.

Yours, ONE OF THE "SEVERS."

BRIEF SHETCHES OF THE NEWLY earnest in securing the rights of full citizen-CHOSEN CABINET. earnest in securing the rights of full citizen-ship to the colored people, with whom he is ship to the colored people, with whom he is very popular. The county of Hamilton, in which he resides, is Republican, but its memwhich he resides, is Republican, but its members in the Legislature were his zealous supporters. In 1875 Mr. Key was appointed by Governor Porter to fill the vacant sort of Andrew Johnson in the Senate. He was recently defeated for election, lacking only three votes, but received every vote of both parties from East Tennessee, which gave Hayes 10,000 majority. He also received every Republican vote in the Legislature,—His defeat was due to his non-partisan course

His defeat was due to his non-partisan course in the Senate. He voted for the Mississippi investigation, and was the only Democratic Senator who did. He is a man of imposing presence, and while not brilliant or showy. has solid qualities and sterling integrity, which command respect. He has long been regarded as the leading lawver of East Ten nesse, and from 1870 to 1875, when he was appointed Senator, was chancellor of the Chattanooga circuit. In the recent campaign he supported Haves and Wheeler. CHARLES DEVENS, ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Gen. Charles Devens, attorney general, was born at Charlestown, Mass, April 4th, 1820, entered Harvard University in 1884, and af ter graduating at its law school began legal practice in Franklin county, Mass, in 1841. He served in the State Senate in 1847. 48, and was United States marsial from 1849 to 1853. While holding the latter office he offered to pay the sum demanded for the free dom of Sims, a fugitive slave who had been returned from Mussachusetts. Immediately before the war Gen. Devens was one of the ablest and most promising young lawyers of Worcester, and had already distinguished himself as an orator. In the spring of 1861 he entered the army with the rank of major. Some mouths later he became colonel of the Fifteenth regiment, which took part in the Peninsula campaign. While before York town he was appointed brigadier general.—
He subsequently served with great credit in the Army of the Potomac, and lost a limb in battle. Since the war he has been most of the time on the bench, and is was member of the Supreme Court of the State. General Devens represents the best element in the Republican party of his State, and is regarded with confidence by the Reformers. He has, however, been so much removed from active politics as not to have placed himself in open antagonism with General Butler and others of like character. At the Bunker Hill celebration, in 1875 General Devens was the regular orator of the day, and his address was highly commended for its conservative, patriotic, and liberal tone.

NEWS ITEMS.

Sweeping arrests were made of the ottery dealers in New York Friday. Those who were able to do so furnished bail, and the rest were locked up till to-day for examination.

The Rhode Island Prohibition Convention nominated a State ticked Friday with Gen. Van Zandt, the regular republican candidate, for Governor, and the rest of the republican ticket, except Samuel Clark, for tresurer, who is a democrat.

In the Ohio Senate, at Columbus Friday, the House bill to provide for compulsory education was passed. A resolution offered by Mr. Monahan, democrat, indorsing the sentiments expressed in President Hayes mangural address was adopted.

AN INDIGNANT REPULBLICAN -Au exrepublican member of Congress from one of the Southern States went to the White House Friday, intending to ask Gettysburg, and retired at the close of the war with the rank of major-general. In 1865-'6 General Schurz was Washington cor respondent of the New York Tribune, and in 1867 he became editor of the Westliche Post, place for a Union man. The ex-Congressman wanted an office. Afterwards some of his friends saw one of the new cabinet appointees and asked his influ ence. He replied that it would be the policy of Gov. Haves' administration to put none but natives in office in the South.

In this week's issue we publish short sketches of Hayes' Cabinet. With one exception they are comparatively young men, and although not unexceptional to the Democratic party, they are more age, was admitted to practice at Keokuk.— broad and liberal in their views and He took a pronounced position among the less portion, then we consider the less partisan than we expected he would select.

> MARRIED. On March 4th. 1877, by Rev. James F. Gilmer, Wil-iam Lamb and Lurena Roadcap At Broadway, March Stn, 1877, by Kev. D. L. Wilson Stuart H. Butler and Rose M. Cassler.

DIFID

At Canton. Mississippi, on February 21st, 1877, SAMULL HANDY, in the 42d year of his age. He mar-ried and formerly resided in this place.

COMMERCIAL.

HARRISONBURG MARKET. CORRECTED BY JOHN 8. LEWIS. THURSDAY MORNING, Mar. 1, 1877

CATTLE MARKETS.

BALTIMORE. Mar. 7, 1877. There has been a trifle more activity in the market this week. Prices were in some instances a shade but scarcely a quotable figure higher. We quote Milch Cows at 38a\$45 per head for good, and 25a\$35 for com-mon, with the supply about equal to the demand. Total receipts for the week 1238 head. Total sales for the week 1021 head.

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Sheep—The quality of the offerings did not come up to that of last week, and prices show no change, quality considered. Sales are made very slowly, the receipts being ample for all requirements, and the demand limited to the wants or city butchers. We quote ats44:60% per lb gross. Beceipts this week 2052 head.

Hogs—The market has been quite slow during the week, the receipts having been in excess of the demand. Prices are off a full 140, tower Hogs selling at top quotations this week than last. The quality of the offerings continues to be very indifferent. We quote at 788%, most of the sales being effected at 71% a8c per lb net. Receipts this week 4466.

ALEXANDRIA March 9 - Most of the Cattle that wer offered this week were of an inferior quality, and the butchers were forced to make their purchases in Georgetown. But few Sheep and Hogs were offered, and prices are stiff. We quote: Cattle ordinary, 3a-4½0, and good 4½a5½0 per lb; Sheep 4½a6½0 per lb; dressed Hogs 6a\$7.75 per 100 lbs; Cows and Calves 25a\$50.

this week reached 200 head, most of which were taken at prices ranging from 3½a5½c per lb. There were about 400 head of Sheep on the market, with sales at 5½a5½c per lb. A few Cows and Calves brought 20a-\$50.

ARDEN IMPLEMENTS—

Such as Garden Hoes, Rakes and Spades, which we are selling low for cash.

METALE & GASSMAN.

New Advertisements

Commissioner's Notice. M WILLIAMS, ve.
JOHN M. GORDON, &C.
In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham Co In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham Co.

Extract from Deurse of March 7th. 18:77:—"It is adjudged, ordered and decreed that this cause be and is hereby referred to one of the Master Commissioners of this Court to ascertain and report.

1st.—"What debts, and the amount and order of priority thereof, the said John N. Gordon has to pay in pursuance of the a ticle of agreement of the September 4th. 1876, between the said J. N. Gordon and said Wm Williams, a copy of which agreement is filed in the papers of this cause marked G. & W., including all debts due by the late firm of Gordon & Williams.

2nd.— To ascertain and report the liens and their priority on the real and personal property of the said John N. Gordon, which is seaucht to be subjected to the payment of the debts or liabilities of said Gordon in this cause.

3rd.—"To ascertain and report such other matter as the Commissioner may deem pertinent, or any party in interest may in writing require."

Notice is bereby given, That I have fixed on Monday, the 16th day of April, 1877, at my office in Harrisonburg, as the time and place of taking the accounts required by this decree, at which said time and place you will attend and do what is necessary to protect your respective interests in it the premises.

Given under my hand this 18th day of March, 1877, mar15-4w

PENDLETON BEYAN, C. C.

W B, Compton & J. S, Harnsberger P. Q.

Commissioner's Notice.

rator of the estate of Jacob Mitchell, dee'd."

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested that I have fixed on Saturday, the 14th day of April, 1877, at my office in Hardsonburg, as the time and place of taking the accounts r quired by this decree, at which said time and place you will appear, and do what is necessary to protect your respective interests in the premises.

Given under my hand this 10th day of March, 1877, mar 15-4w PENDLETON BRYAN, C. C. Boller, p. q.

Commissioner's Notice.

MARY V. DEVIER, who sues by H. K. Devier her husband and next friend, Hiram K. Devier and Derrick Pennybacker, who sue on behalf of themselves and all other creditors of Henry Tate and Sarah Tate who may make themselves parties to this suit upon the usual terms.

Complainants,

Henry Tate and Sarah Tate, Defendants. In Chancery in Circ it Court of Rockingham Co.

In Chancery in Circ it Court of Rockingham Co.

EXTRACT from Decree at January term, 1877;— 'This cause is referred to a Commi-stoner of this Court to take, state and settle the following accounts:

'Hat—An account of the real estate owned by the defendants. Henry Tate and wife its fee simple and annual rental value.

'2d.—An account of the lens agai at the same, and the order of their priorities.

'3d.—Any other account, 'c.'.'

The parties to the above entitled cause and all others to be affected by the taking of said accounts, are here by notified that I have fixed upon WEDNE-DAY the lith of APRIL 1877, at my office in Harrisonburg. Va. as the time and place of taking the same, when and where they will attend and protect their resp. ctive interests.

Given under my hand as Commissioner in Chancery, of said Court this 13th day of March, 1877.

march16-4w PENDLETON BRYAN, C. C.

J. E. Roller, p. q. march15-4w P.
J. E. Roller. p. q.

Commissioner's Notice.

MARY V DEVIER, &C.,

JACOB NEFF.

In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham Co. Extract from Decree of February 20, 1877 — "Upon consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that this cause be referred to a Master Commissioner of this Court with instructions to examine, state and settle the following accounts.

Ist.—"An account of the real estate owned by the lefeudant, Jacob Neff. its fee simple and and I value. 2.— An account of the leins against the same and

their order of priority.

3.— Any other account which any party may re S.— Any other account which any party may require or the Commissioner may deem of importance."

Take Notice, That I have fixed on Monday the 16th day of April. 1877, at my office in Harrisonburg, as the time and place of taking the above accounts, at which said ime and place, all parties interested will appear and do what is necessary to protect their respective interests.

Given under my hand as ommissioner in Chancery, this 18th day of March, 1877.

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PENULETON BRYAN, C. C.

Roller o. q.

Commissioner's Notice.

in Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham Co Extract from Decree of March 10th, 1877:-"The Extract from Decree of March 18th, 1877:—"The Court doth adjudge, order and decree that this cause be recommitted to a Master Commissioner of this Court with instructions to examine, state and settle 1st.—'An account showing the real estate owned by the defendant, Wm. I. Paul.

2nd.—'An account of its fee simple and annual rental value.

3rd.—'An account of the liens upon the same and their order of priorities.

4th.—' ny other account which any party interested may require or the Commissioner deem of importance.'

tance."
Notice is hereby given to all parties interested, that I have fixed on Friday, the 6th day of April. 1877, as the time and place of taking the above accounts, at which said time and place you will attend and do what is necessary to protect your respective interests in the

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B. COMPTON, SURVIVING, &C.,
vs.,
Winston Shifflett's Administrator, &c.
In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rowkingham.

In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Ro-kingham. Extract from decree of February 21st, 1877:—"This cause is referred to a Commissioner to take an account of the real estate of the defendant. John L. Coleman, and of Winston Shifflett; the liens thereon, and their p forties; the rentar value thereo, and to ascerain what personal e tate of the said Winston Shifflett left at his death and how the same has been disposed of."

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Notice is hereby given to all parties interested,
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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

A Commissioner in the chancery cause of F. Littell vs James A. Genery, et als., 1 will On Friday, the 6th day of April 1877. in front of the Court House, in Harrisonburg, Va., sell at public auction the tract of land in the bill men-tioned, supposed to contain about

140 Acres. The land is situated in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

TERMS OF SALE:—Enough cash to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale, and the balance in four equal annual payments, with interest from day of sale, purchaser giving bond with approved security for deferred payments, and retaining a lien on the land as ultimate security.

ED. S. CONRAD.

marl5-4w.

Commissioner.

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ing-house and barn. The timber is of a coordingto-

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feb. 22-tf. COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF LAND

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a cert in tract of One Hundred Acres of Land in Rockingham part of the cetate of Mathia a could dee'd, althated on the Rec etcow Road Scarred Reys an a joining the hands of thems, for each others being part of the ferm a medy owned Samuel an Eather Reubush joined.

TERUS OF SALE;—the fauch of the runch money to be paid upon the commandon of the ward he romainder in these equal anenal paymer from day of sale and bearing intrest from that it he purchaser to give bonds with approved soon and the title to be retained as alltimate soon sign and the title to be retained as alltimate soon sign.

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"LLLIAM REUBUSH, GEO. G. GRATTAN, march1-ts."

Commissioners.

Commissioners Commissioner's Sale By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Rockingham, rendered in the suit of Wm M. Moyer-heefer vs. Elizabeth Shauk, &c., I, as Commissioner

On Friday, the 30th of Merch, 1877. on Briday, the 30th of March, 1877, so much of a certain tract of 103 ACRTOS of land, in the bit mentioned as may be sufficient to satisfy the remainder of purchase money due the plaintif, together with cost of sale and cost of suit still due. This land lies in Rockinghan county, Southwest of Cr.ss-Keys, adjoining the lands of Earm n. Reubush and others and is now in the p. ssession of Elizabeth Shank. The land will be divided to suit purchasers. TERMS:—The whole purchase money to be paid upon the confirmation of the sale; the purchaser to give bond with at least two ap roved securities for the purchase money, and the title to be retained as ultimate security.

March 4 GEO. G. GRATTAN, Comm'r.

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MILITARY .- As was stated in the Com-MONWEALTH of the 1st inst., a little effort was all that was necessary to organize a military company in Harrisonburg. The effort was made and found to be of easy accomplishment. On Friday evening last the signers to a roll of membership for a light infantry company were called together at the Court-House, when fifty-seven young men responded. The meeting was called to order and the object ex plained to be to complete the organization of a volunteer military company. This was proceeded with, and O. B. Roller, a graduate last year of the Virginia Military Institute, was elected Captain; John Donovan 1st Lieutenant; Chas. W. Fellows 2nd Lieutenant; Chas. P. McQuaide junior second Lieutenant. Another meeting was held on Tuesday. The following appointments of non-commissioned officers were announced: R. E. Freeman O. S.; P. G. Bowman 1st S.; R. C. Bassford 2nd S. Frank P. Woodson 3rd S.; James Sullivan 1st Corporal; F. D. Hopkins 2nd Cor.; Wm. P. Liggett 3rd Cor.; J. W. Slater 4th Cor.: C. E. Vanpelt and J. T. Harris, jr., Markers; C. B. Miller Ensign; W. B Lurty Q. M; John G. Yancey Asst. Q. M.: Dr. R. Tatum Sur-

"Rockingham Rifles" was selected as the name, in honor of a rifle company from this place, commanded by Capt. James Kenney, and which formed a part of the of the famous "old 10th Virginia Regiment," commanded with distinguished ability by Col. Sim. B. Gibbons during the recent war. The motion naming the Company "Rockingham Rifles' was reconsidered, and the name of "Harrisonburg Guards" substituted. We hope all our citizens will do all they can to make the Company a success, and nerve the arms and hearts of the boys by every possible encouragement.

Already steps are in progress here to organize a cavalry company, and if possible an artillery company also. A great military spirit seems to have been suddenly revived, and we predict that not a year will elapse ere Rockingham will have organized within her boundary a volunteer regiment, composed of infantry, artillery and cavalry. The 'Valley Rangers' of Lacey Spring are organizing. "Letcher Brock's Gap Rifles," it is your turn next. May we not soon expect to hear of the "Bridge. water Grays," "old Company I," of McGaheysville, and of all the former organizations composing the "Old Tenth." Come to the front, old comrades! Roll on the ball. Don't let Augusta beat us. Mt. Crawford, Bridgewater, Mt. Clinton, Timberville, Lacey Spring, McGaheysville, Conrad's Store, Cross Keys, Harrisonburg, and other points in the county, all together can easily form a splendid volunteer regiment. Nothing short of a regiment will do for Rockingham.

The "old 10th Regiment Band" is also marshalling again, and very soon its fine strains may be heard cheering the men as of old, on the march, dressparade and at every assembling. We hope our citizens will give the Band boys a "boost," and with military companies and a good brass band, we will find a revived life in Harrisonburg, which will compensate fully for any sacrifices necessary to build up these enlivening organizations.

The Baptists of Staunton have recently added sixty members to their church, and the colored Methodists received ninety-two into their fold on Supday a week ago.

STONEWALL MILITARY ACADEMY. - Never before have the educational prospects of Harrisonburg been more promising. Lack of good schools has been a serious drawback to the advancement and prosperity of the town, and to the mental and moral elevation of the youth. The school trustees have endeavored time and again to get the schools up to the proper standard, but receiving little or no support from the citizens their efforts have proved unavailingly.

Some two weeks ago a letter was received by the editor of the Common-WEALTH from G. Brooke Doggett, Esq., a graduate of the University of Virginia, and son of Bishop Doggett of Richmond, proposing to establish a military school in Harrisonburg, to be known as the Stonewall Military Academy .-Mr. Doggett gave an outline of his proposed school, the course of study,

&c. We conceived the idea that such a school would succeed if conducted in connection with the graded public school, like the Valley Normal of Bridgewater, and laid the matter before the school trustees. They thought favorably of the plan, and were supported by all the citizens whose opinions were solicited. It was then proposed to try the experiment for the balance of this school year and Mr. Doggett's services were engaged. On Monday he took charge of the male department of the graded school and pro ceeded to engraft the military system. The military feature is simply to promote order, system and regularity and to give form and comely appearance to the pupils. The plan works very well and the boys are delighted with the drill and parade. They are punctual at roll calls and evince an interest never before manifested. If satisfactory to all parties, next year the school will be advertised as the Stonewall Military Academy, and its advantages are expected to draw students from a distance. The pupils will be required to wear a uniform, except those of the public school proper, to whom it will be recommended.

We have not room to treat this school question fully in one issue, and will recur to the subject frequently. We repeat, however, that the school prospects of Harrisonburg are very flattering, and with a united effort upon the part of the citizens of the town a school commensurate with its requirements can be established.

In order that the citizens can more fully understand the military system we append the rules and regulations adop-

1st. The Male Department of Harrisonburg Graded School will be known under the style and title of the "Stonewall Military Academy," commencing March 12, 1877.
2nd. All the male pupils of the school the age of 13 will be organized into one or more companies, and shall form the "Corps of Stonewall Cadets." The officers of each company shall be selected by the Commandant from those deemed most wor thy, and shall consist of four Coporals, four eargents, two Lieutenants and one Captain. 3rd. Each officer, when on duty, such as drill, class-parade, etc., will report to the Officer of the Day all cases of disorder, such as laughing and talking on drill, class parade, and inattention on drill, class-parade and in class room.

4th. A Section Marcher or Class Leader shall, on the recommendation of the teacher, be appointed to each class, whose duty it will be to report to the Officer of the Day absentees from the class.

5th. At a given signal, such as a tap of the days at the days

the drum, all the classes about to recite will fall in line in front of the school building .-The Officer of the Day will keep each class ogether and give the command "Front."— Section Marchers will then step in front of their classes, call rolls and report absentees to the Officer of the Day and then march their classes into class room.
6th. The Officer of the Day will be select

ed by the Commandant either from the regu lar Cadet officers or else from meretoric privates. The Officer of the Day will be appointed for 24 hours at a time, and during his time of office will rank next to the Com mandant. It will be his duty to see that everything is carried out without confusion, and he will receive from the various section marchers, room orderlies or any other officer reports for disorder or inattention. At the end of his tour of office the Officer of the Day will make out a report in writing, and present the same to the commandant.

7th. Each teacher will select five pupils who will act as room orderlies. One orderly will act at a time; will be "on duty" for twenty four hours, when he will be succ ed by another. It will be the duty of the Room Orderly to report to the O. D. (Officer of Day) sil disorder or confusion in a class room. If he fails to report such disorder the teacher will report the Orderly for "neglect

of duty."
Sth. There will be three roll-calls of the company each day, besides the roll-calls at class parades. The drum will beat at a quarter before nine in the morning for the first roll-call, or "chapel parade." The drum will beat for the second roll-call before school is called in at recess. The signal will be made for the third roll call after school is dismiss ed, this last will be the signal for drill.

9th. The roll of the Company will be called by the First Seargent, who will be called the Orderly Seargent. He will report absentees

10th. During schools hours no disorder or confusion will be allowed about the school The O. D. is specially charged to see that there is quietness about the premises, and that there is no defacing of property, such as

marking, spitting, etc. 11th. At the drill in the afternoon all pu pils of the proper age will be required to be present. The drill will last generally about half an hour.

his dismissal recommended. 13th. Cadets, as a mark of respect, will sa-

lute teachers whenever they meet them.— The salute will be made by raising the hand from the side to the head 13th. The penalties for offenses will be as follows: For "inattention." "laughing," "talking," etc., on drill, class parade, or in class room, the penalty will be two demerits For "repeated inattention," "laughing,"
"talking," etc., the penalty will be five demerits. For "disrespect" to superior officer while "on duty" or to any teacher the penalty will be ten demerits. For "gross distect" the penalty will be fifteen demerits For absence from roll-call the penalty will be five demerits. For "neglect of duty" penalty will be ten demerits. For "disobedience to orders" the penalty will be ten de-G. BROOKE DOGGETT, Commandant of Cadets.

M. Lindon, of Mt. Crawford, now canvass ing for the COMMONWEALTH, is authorized to receive subscriptions, advertisements and l job work, and to collect bills due the office.

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL-PROPOSED CHANGE IN THE CHARTER OF THE W., C. & ST L. R. R.-A called meeting of the Common Council was held on Monday afternoon, the Mayor, Recorder and Paul, Gassman, Daingerfield and Eshman present. The object of the meeting was to consider a bill pending before the Legislature to amend the charter of the Washington, Cincinnati & St. Louis Railroad.

We have not the bill before us and cannot give its provisions, but it was in substance a bill to continue the Charter, which would be null and void to-day, by reason of the Company not having completed the road, and provided for a re-organization of the Company. It also provided that President and Directors should be elected for five years, and legalized all past acts of the Company. The Council, after considering the measure, telegraphed Senator Moffett to oppose its passage, and passed a memorial to the Legisla ture to amend the bill so as to require the President and Directors to be elected for one year, and to strike out that part legalizing past acts of the Compa-

P. S.—The bill passed the House on Thursday and the Senate on Saturday.

SALE OF THE RAWLEY SPRINGS PROPER-ORGANIZATION OF A NEW RAWLEY Springs Company. The Legislature of Virginia recently passed an act incorporating a New Rawley Springs Company. The Company met in Harrisonburg on Tuesday morning last and organizad. Dr. Wm. D Hopkins was elected President, Chas. A. Yancey, Secretary, Chas. A. Sprinkel, Treasurer, and W. D. Hopkins, J W. F. Allemong, N. Acker, of Washington, J. L. Sibert, George Chrisman, Jas C Heltzel and J. A. Lowenbach, Directors.

The Rawley Springs property, as advertised, was offered for sale Tues day afternoon, by A. M. Newman and Henry Shacklett, trustees, and was purchased by the new Rawley Springs Company for \$1,000, subject to mortgages and liens amounting to between \$25,000 and \$26,000. The Directors held a meeting the same afternoon to consider plans for operating the Springs the coming season.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE -W R. BOW man, auctioneer, has sold the following real estate for A. M. Newman, commis sioneer: House and lot in Mt. Crawford belonging to B. F. Spicer, to B. F. Spicer for \$1000; a lot in same place to same purchaser for \$200.

The same commissioner repted oubliely the property occupied by Geo. S. Christie, to Geo. S. Christie for the term of one year.

The heirs of M. D. Grattan sold on Saturday last the farm known as "Contentment" in three parts, as follows: 200 acres of cleared land with house and out buildings, together with 30 acres of timber land, to George G. Grattan for \$11,000; 110 acres, without buildings, to John D. Wise for \$3,200 cash; forty acres to Andrew Lago for \$1,000. One hundred and twenty acres were not sold.

RUNAWAY .- Mr. Sam'l Gay, of our town, has been the contractor to carry the mails daily to the village of Bridgewater, and Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from Bridgewater to Stribling Springs. On last Saturday Mr. Gay, as usual, permitted his horse to stand unhitched at the west end of Bridgewater, when something frighter.ed him. He dashed off with the wagon, ran against some trees and wrecked it very badly; ran into the river with some part of the shafts hanging to the barness; walked and swam around for some time, and ran up the pike as far as Allemong's barn, where he was captured by the mail boy, who had just started to Stribling Springs. In a few minutes be was glistening with icicles, as the Mercury was within 10 degrees of zero. Mr. Gay's loss was at least \$50.

THE BURNT RECORDS -MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE -The members of the Harrisonburg bar and Samuel Shacklett J. W. F. Allemong, Jacob N. Cowan Erasmus Coffman and Geo. W Mauzy, having been appointed by the County Court of Rockingham county, at its December term, 1876, a committee to examine certain portions of the "burnt records" of said county, for example: the deed books, will books, &c., and report to the Court the condition of the same, and what action of the Court is deemed advisable, and to make all necessary and proper suggestions for the information and guidance of the Court, the 12th. Any Cadet receiving an unusual mation and guidance of the Court, the number of demerits will be reported by the members of said committee are notified Commandant to the Board of Trustees, and that there will be a meeting of the that there will be a meeting of the same in the Court House at 12 m., on Friday, the 23rd of March, 1877.

PARDONED -R. S. Parks, formerly Commonwealth's Attorney of Page county, who was convicted in the United States Court here in May last on the charge of forgery, and who was sent to the United States prison at Moundsvil e, West Virginia, last fall, was pardoned by President Grant, just before he retired from the presidency.

EXTRA SERVICES .- Rev. Dr. Ewing, of Hebron Church in Augusta, has lately had services at his Church at night for ten or more consecutive nights. The Rev. Mr. Wilson, of Broadway, and Due notice will be given of the re-or-Rev. Dr. Baird did the preaching.

Another Case for the Grand Jury .-Bob Smith, a colored boy about sixteen years old, has been at his old tricks, and, as usual, was caught. For some time attempts had been made to enter Councilmen Newman, Shacklett, Gay, the store of J. A. Lowenbach, of tais town. The clerk determined to catch the would-be burglar, and kept watch several night. On Wednesday night of last week he secured two young men to stay in the store, whilst he would walk around and create the impression that the store was unguarded. Between eight and nine o'clock some one effect ed an entrance through the transom over the back door The thief, after getting on the inside unlocked the door in order that his exit might be easy should be be discovered. On going into the store he lit a match and the guards recognized the veteran member of the Chain-Gang. The young men did not desire to shoot him, which they could easily have done, and Bob beat a hasty retreat, pursued by the guards. In the darkness he made his escape, but was arrested a short time after, at his mother's house. The next morning Bob was before his Honor Mayor Hyde and was sent on to the grand

Bob is an old offender, though very youthful. He is not a malicious boy, but has a penchant for Hayesing which is so uncontrollable that a term in the penitentiary will not avail. A years' service in the Chain-Gang would be the best disposition of his case.

A STOLEN WATCH CAPTURED. - Miss Lofland, daughter of Mathew Lofland of Augusta, lost a fine gold watch on the 14th of February last under these circumstances: The family happened to be absent from home, except perhaps some one in the kitchen. Her watch was hanging on the wall in her room, and on her return (she was absent at night) missed it. She made enquiry where she thought it would avail, to no purpose, and after several days a young man working for her father went to Staunton, and spending the night in the family of an uncle, spoke of the loss of the watch, when a bright little chap spoke up and said, "why Mr. Cushing sold a watch of that kind some days ago for \$12." Mr. Cushing was interviewed, the watch was recovered, and it was discovered that one David Furr had been the thief. A warrant for his arrest is in the hands of the officers of this county and also in Augusta. Forr is an old offender, though a young man, with a wife and two children.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES -On Thursday evening last. Past Chief Pat., Wm. A. Slater, was elected to represent Abiram Encampment, No. 25, I. O O. F., of this place, in the next session of the Grand Encampment of Va. to be held in Richmond, on the 2nd Wednesday in April, 1877.

On Monday evening last, Minnehana Tribe, No. 33, Improved O. R. M., elected Past Sachem W. S. Cordell, representative to the next session of the Great Council of Virginia, to be held in Richmond, commencing Wednesday, May 9th, 1877.

On Tuesday evening last Valley Lodge, No. 40, I. O. O. F., elected Past Grand, Jos. K. Smith, its representative to the Grand Lodge which meets in Richmond, Tuesday, April 10th, 1877.

FROM DAYTON .- - A correspondent writes us from Dayton that "Revs. A F. Funkhouser and J. N. Fries have recently purchased of John Paul, commissioner, the large brick building in Dayton, formerly owned by David Stinespring, for \$1320-equivalent to cash. The original cost of the property was \$5,000. Messrs. Funkhouser and Fries, we learn, intend to establish permanent institution of learning and for this purpose bought the property. Success to them."

THE NARROW GAUGE CONVICTS -Col. Swan, Superintendent of the Penitentiary, and Dr. Walker, Physician to the same institution, have been on the line of the Narrow Gauge Railroad this week, examining into the condition of the convicts hired to the rail road company. They were found to be fat, hearty, well-clothed, and contented, and Col Swan expressed a desire that the company should take

PLEASANT RUN SCHOOL.—At the close of Pleasant Run School, M. Lindon teacher, March the 7th, the following asmed pupils, in the order given, reseived the highest number of merits for diligence, deportment, and superior recitations, viz: John A. Shumaker, Ella M Byerly, David E. Shumaker, John H. Callender, John M. Bolton, Robert A. Rodes, Mollie Early, Willie Booker, Kennie Miller, Maggie Early, Sarah Yeakel, John H. Rodes, Eddie Rodes and Eddie Pence.

ANOTHER MILITARY COMPANY .- The martial spirit is spreading. The VAL-LEY RANGERS, a cavalry company which served so efficiently in the late war, and composed of citizens from Lacey Springs and Broadway sections, is to be re-organized. The company numbered eighty men at the time of the surrender, about forty of whom still live in the lower part of the county .ganization.

BREVITIES.

County Court next Monday. Read our newsy Washington letter. Our Philadelphia letter was again received

Saturday will be St. Patrick's Day. Look out for squalls. The law firm of Haas & Patterson of this

town has been dissolved. Circuit Court adjourned on Tuesday. It had been in session since January 20th.

There will be several important criminal trials at the next term of the County Court. The Royal Land Company has had its harter further amended by the Legislature. H. H. Riddleberger is being urged for ommonwealth's Attorney of Shenandoal

The Staunton Jonadabs are increasing in number. Ten new members have recently been initiated

The "Valley Rangers" are to be re-organized. "If you want to have a good time, jine the cavalry.

What shall it profit a man if he has an ac count against every man in town, if he can Willie, aged about eleven years, son o

William Clem, of New Market River Bridge, was drowned on Saturday week. Another bank has broken in Charlottes ville, the second one within about a year.

and business there is greatly depressed. Mr. Judson M. Kent, dealer in tobacco and cigars, has sold his stock to Mr. John Grat-

A precocious boy, when asked to define gossip, said-"it's when nobody don't do nothing, and somebody goes and tells it." E. C. Bruffey, formerly of this town, or

tan, who will take the store next week.

the 13th of February, at Sedalia, Missouri, in jumping from the cars fell and broke an arm. Rev. Wm. A. Whitescarver, pastor of the Harrisonburg Baptist church, has been hold ing a series of extra services the past two

Corporation Assessor, D. H. Van Pelt, pro poses to take the census of Harrisonburg when on his rounds listing property. Good

Mr. Lindon, of Mt. Crawford, has been recommissioned a Notary Public for Rockingham county for four years from the 5th in-

The mind makes the man, but there is no reason for a man with a mind to be uncouth in manners or slovenly in dress. It does not

Rev. J. R. Bowman, of Harrisonburg, is announced to preach in the Second Presbyterian Church, at Staunton, next Saturday and Sunday.

The "Bristol News" nominates Senator Moffett of Rockingham for Lieutenant Governor, notwithstanding it does not like his

A hunters club has been formed in Staun ton, whose object is the protection of game in the county, by enforcing the laws bearing on the subject

Milnes & Houck, of Shenandoah Iron Works, are preparing to put their furnace in blast, in view of the early completion of the Royal Land Company's Railroad.

The bill which passed the House for the relief of J. B. Eastham, late collector of Rockingham, failed to pass the Senate. It was reconsidered and finally tabled.

Gentlemen, now is the time to have your last Summer's clothing renovated and scoured. If you will take them to Harper, on German street, he will save you some money.

The military company organized in this town on Friday night last, adopted the name of "Rockingham Rifles," but on Tuesday night changed it to "Harrisonburg Guards." By the proposed appointment of the General Assembly there will be 40 Senators and 100 Delegates. Rockingham's representation will remain the same-one Senator and two Delegates. The Stonewall Band, of Staunton, will

soon rig out in olive green uniforms. We have heard of horned frogs, &c., but never of horned men, yet it is said that those Stonewall fellows all have horns. The COMMONWEALTH reporter was mista-

ken in announcing that D. M. Switzer & Son had removed their store. They are in the same place-South side of the Square-and have no intention of moving.

Citizens in the southern part of town complain of boys shooting promiscuously around their premises. There is an ordinance against such performances and if not discontinued the boys will have to pay for their fun.

A correspondent writes that our contemporaries appropriate our articles without proper credit. It has ever been thus. The COMMONWEALTH collects and arranges the news and our exchanges republish as their

The competitive examination of applicants for appointment to West Point from this Congressional district was held at Staunton last week. Three stood the examination. and James A. Patterson of Charlottesville was appointed.

The County Committee on the "Burnt Records" of Rockingham are requested to meet at the Court House on to morrow week. Let there be a full attendance, or the matters under consideration will be of vast import ance to the county.

Mr. Philip Maphis, formerly of Bridgewater, we believe, died suddenly in Staunton Sunday night. He had just returned from Florida Sunday morning, where he had been some time in hopes of improving his health, He cied of consumption.

Among the graduates at the Baltimore Dental College last week, we notice the name of our young friend Sandy S. Harris, of this town. He is a brother of Prof. James H. Harris, of the Baltimore Dental College, and of Dr. Frank L. Harris, of Harrisonburg.

The roof of D. Ritenour's house, on German street, caught fire on Thursday last. On account of the high wind prevailing at the time, at the cry of "fire !" the citizens responded quickly, but before the engines reached the scene the fire had been extinguished

Having had an opportunity to examine the garden seeds put up and sold by by Jno. S. Lewis, Bank Row, we know they are good. Such an opportunity has not been accorded by the other dealers. Mr. Lewis' seeds are of home product, and hence are suited to our

Dr. Harper's Electric Compound has cured in every instance where it has been applied according to directions. The calls at his residence are so many that he will not make any more street demonstrations with it. If you want a bottle you can get it on German street, opposits the jail.

Bob smith, colored, has been sent on to the grand jury, by Mayor Hyde, for attempt ing to rob the store of J. A. Lowenbach

Bob desires to be tried before Joe Bradley of the Electoral Commission. Staunton must be preparing to conquer he world. A movement is on foot to organize another military company-a compa-

ny of Zouaves. Rockingham will soon have

three companies and a first class brass band.

Let's unite and have a big celebration in

Harrisonburg on the Fourth of July. HARRISONBURG GRADED SCHOOL. The following is a list of those pupils who have attained a high degree of

excellency during the past week: Department No. 1 .- Teacher-Miss Herndon, Medalist-Minnie Helphenstine. Deportment-Elsie Cummings, Bettie Conrad, Fannie Conrad, Jennie Davis, George Hopkins, Isaac Pinkus,

Jesse Pankey, Walter Sprinkel. Department No 2 .- Teacher- Miss J. D. Gray. Medalist-Nannie Royer. Deportment-Annie Harry, Maggie Weiner, Lillie Weiner, Mollie Billbeimer, Charlie Butler, Laura Clatterbuck, Jennie Fultz, Georgie Davis, Nannie

Royer, Theresa Wise, Katie Faught. Department No 3 -Teacher-Mr. B. Funk. Medalist-Lee Woodson. Re citation-Henry Bassford, Preston Gray, Irvine Jones, Thomas Weiner, Lee Woodson. Deportment-Henry Bassford, Joseph Loewener, Thomas Logan, John Fletcher, Thomas Weiner, Lee Wordson, Henry Pinkus, Kirby Helphenstine, Preston Gray.

Department No 4 -- Teacher-Mrs. V. Warren. Recitation-Flora Bowman, Lizzie Willis. Deportment-Flora Bowman, Alice Carter, Eliza Carter.

Department No. 5 .- Teacher-Miss Lydia Van Pelt. Recitation-Charlie Loewner, Carter Sprinkel, Charlie Billheimer, Willie Lee, John Mitchel, Joseph Boylan. Deportment-Willie Clary, Robert Dwyer, Robert Van Pelt. Lennie Fultz, Charlie Billheimer, Pinkney Guyer.

T. G. HERNDON, Principal.

MACHINE SHOPS .- Our neighboring town of Bridgewater is fast gaining importance as a manufacturing place All around the town are manufactories, and the Briegewater Manufacturing Company is going to add another -a foundry and machine shop, for the manufacture of agricultural implements, &c. Our Bridgewater correspondents is expected to send full particulars for our next issne.

Mr. Diogenes.

This singular man lived in Greece. He was distinguished for his eccentricities, bad manners, and bad disposition. It was his chief business to find fault. For example, he took a lanters one day when the sun was shining brightly and went out to search for When persons were exceedingly scarce. When Alexan er, a distinguished military gentleman, paid him a visit, and inquired what he could do for him, he had the impudence to tell him to "get out of his sunshine." cap the climax of his oddities, he dressed like a beggar and lived in a tub. He was a sour, crabbed, crusty old bachelor. We infer that he had no wife, first, because history does not mention her; second. because no woman would take kindly to one of his hab its, dress, or manners, or aspire to become mistress of his mansion. "There was an old woman who lived in a shoe," it is true, but the woman who would live in a tub, and es pecially with such a companion, has not been heard from. The misanthropic spirit which possessed this man was doubtless due to dis rdered digestion and a bill ousness, one of the prominent symptoms of which is a morose, fault-finding disposition. The tongue is heavily coated, giving rise to a bad taste, the appetite is not good, and the patient feels sleepy, or dizzy, and is apt to be fret ful. Unfortunately, Mr. Diogenes lived several centuries before Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets were invented, a few doses of which would have relieved him of his "bile," and enabled him to find scores of "honest men" without the aid of his lantern. Under their magic influence, combined with that of the Golden Medical Discovery, to cleanse his blood, he might have been led to take a more cheer ul view of life, to exchange his tub for a decent habitation, to "spruce up" in personal appearance, and at last have taken a wife to mend his clothes and his manners, both of which were in evident need of repair, and become the happy sire of lit-tle Diogeneses who would have handed down to prosperity the name, not of a cyncic phil pher, but of a cheerful, healthy, happy,

> (Correspondence of the Commonwealth.) Score one for the Convict.

virtuous man !

It is not proper, perhaps, to say anything to the convicts employed anywhere on the public roads of the country; but passing by those who are quartered a mile or two n town, at work on the Narrow. Guage to Bridge water, and seeing one of them detached some distance from the others, we said:— "Well, uncle, what part of the State did you represent at Richmond?" (meaning the Strong House,) when he replied promptly, "Lynchburg, sir," and added. "I tink I have seen you there." So we rode on, revolving in our mind the doubt, whether it was the Penitentiary or Lynchburg at which he had seen SOCKS.

DEALERS IN

Opposite Spotswood Hotel,

HARRISONBURG, VA.

MAGNOLIA SALOON FOR RENT. MAGNOLIA SALOON, fixtures and furniture in cluded is offened for rent. Persons desiring to rent should apply before April the 16th. mar8tf RICHARDA & WAESCHE.

NAILS! NAILS! NAILS!-Large assortment Wheeling Nails just received. Low for each t Dealers in Stoves and general Hardware, Main street mir. \$ 1677. HILLEGAL.

TIRGINIA TO WIT: -In the Clerk's Office of the day of March. A. D. 1877; William D. Maiden in his own right and as adminig-

The object of this suit is to obtain a decree for the the sale of two tracts of land lying near the Bluc Ridge, in Nockingham county, V4., one containing about one hundred and five acres, the other about twenty acres, being the same lauds of which William Maiden, dec'd, died seized, and to have the proceeds of sale distributed among the parties entitled thereto.

And affidavit being made that the defendants, Nimrod J Wood, William Z. Wood, James C. Wood, Sarah E. Wood, David A Wood, Frances J. Wood and Geo: E. Wood are non-residents of the State of Virginis, It is ordered that they do appear liers, wittin one month after due public tion of this order, and answer the Plaintiffs' bill, or do what is necessary to profess their respective interests, and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Old Commonwealth; a newspaper published it Hairisonburg, Va. and another copy thereof post-it at the front-door of the County Court on the first day of the next torm of the County Court of said county. Teste:

March 19-10 and 19-10 J. H. SHUE, c. c. c. B. C.

Commissioner's Notice.

HOMPSON STEELE and John Steele, ... Comp'te HOMPSON STEELE and John Steele, ... Comp's y's.

James Steele, A. S. Gray, late Executor of David Strele dec'd. John Roadcap and Lizabeth his wife wife, William Steele, D. H. Ralston. S. R. C., and as such administrator of Francis W. Sh pman, dec'd. and same as administrator of To Steele, dec'd, and same as administrator of Robert Steele, dec'd, and same as administrator of Robert Steele, virginia D. Steele and James Shipman infants, Virginia D. Steele and Steele, whose christian name is unknown, and J.J. Larew, administrator of Isaac Steele, dec'd. Defendants, In Chancery in the Circuit Court of Rockingham Co. EXTRACT FROM DEGREE RENDERED ON THE 15TH

and to take an account of all outstanding debts, and especially to retile the accounts of A. B. Gray and havid Steele as tratifeces in a deed of trust executed by Michael Effinger, dec'd."

Not fee is hereby given to the parties to the above entitled cause and all others interested in the taking of the accounts required by this decree, that I have fixed on Friday, the 30th day of March, 1877, at my office, in Harrisonburg, as the time and place of taking said accounts, at which said sme and place of taking said accounts, at which said sme and place they will attend and do what is necessary to protect their respective interests in the premises.

Given under my hand as Commissioner in Chancery this 28th day of February, 1877.

PENDLETON BRYAN, C. O.

Roller p. q.—marl-fw.

VIRGINIA TO WIT:—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Rockingham county, on the 7th day of March, A. D., 1877.

IN CHANCERY.

The object of this suit is to recover of the defendant, fhoulas K. Fulton, the sum of \$5.01 with legal interest bureon from the lat day of april, 1862, till paid, due rom said Thomas K. Fulton to the plaintiff, and to ttach the estate of said defendant for the payment of he said debt with interest as aforesaid.

And affidavit being made that the defendant, Thomas K. Fulton, is a numeroident of the State of Versions. And affidavit being made that the defendant. Thomas K. Fulton, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, It is ordered that he do appear here within one mouth after due publication of this Order, and answer the Plaintiff a bill, or do what is necessary to protect his interest, and that a copy of this Order be published once a week for four streessive weeks in the OLD COMMO WEALTH, a newspaper published, in Harrison-burg, Va., and another copy thereof peated at the front door of the Court-House of this county on the first day of the next term of the County Court-of said county. Teste: J. H. SHUE, C. C. C. R. C. Paul p. q-march 4 w

VIRGINIA. TO-WIT:—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, on the 26th day of February, A. D., 1877.

Harvey P. Roller, who sues on behalf of himself and all other lien creditors of James E. Gibbs who may make themselves parties to this suit upon the sual terms

vs. Complainant.

James E Gibbs, Wm. Gibbs and Mrs, O'Ferrall,
Defendants.

IN CHANCERY. The object of this suit is to subject the real earnie of the defendant, James E. Gibbs, to the judgment due the complainant for \$58.40, with interest frees the 12th of February, 1873, until paid, and 10.82 costs at law and the costs of this suit.

And affidavit being made that the Defendants, James E. Gibbs and William Gibbs, are non-residents of the E. Gibbs and william Gibbs, are non-residents of the State of Virginia.

It is ordered that they do appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and an-swer the glaintiff's bill, or do what is necessary to protect their interests and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive wayling.

in the Can Commonweaters, a herespaper published in Harrisonburg, Va. and another capy thereof peaked at the front door of the Court-House of this country, on the first day of the next term of the Country Court of seid country. art of said county, J. H. SHUE, C. C. C. R. C.

P S. MILLBR. CLICK & MILLER CARRIAGE AND BUGGY MANUFACTURERS.

BRIDGEWATER, VIRGINIA. THE undersigned have entered into a co partnership for the purpose of manufacturing Carriages. Buggles. Spring Wagons and. in fact, sil Kinds of wheel vehicles on the very best terms possible for first class work. We use nothing but the BEST materials, and employ only experienced and first class workmen. All we sek of the generous public is a trial, and we guarantee satisfaction. guarantee satisfaction.

Material constantly on hand, and any style of work can be put up on the shortest possible notice,
Repairing done in best manner on short notice, and at bottom figures.

CLICK & MILLER. AN Carriage Materials of all kinds on hand and for [fabl5-3mvp

ABOUT SEWING MACHINES!

A LL the old Patents held by the "Combination" (including the Patents held by the Singer Manufacturing Co) having expired, the whole S-wing Manufacturing Co) having expired, the whole S-wing Machine-" and any party destring to make "Gombination," and any party destring to make "Singer Machine-" can do so with requisity. This fact the Singer Co. desires and tries to keep concealed from the outbile, and even sends "Pulldozers" around to frighten people by threatening "the penalty of the law" against those who huy of any one else than their own agents; "sur I Don't scans. worth A CENT." I own agents; "BUT I DON'T SCARE, WOFTH A CENT." I propose to furnish New S NGER MACHINES, just as good in every respect, and just like those made by the good in every respect, and just like those made by the singer Manufacturing Co., made by a New Factory, and at about half the price asked by the Singer agents and canvassers; and I will warrant these Machines to give satisfaction in every respect.

The Singer agents may shed a tear and sing "farewell old geose, you have laid your last golden egg."

All I ask is for people to come and see for themselves, and then buy where they can do best.

I also repair all kinds o' Machines, and furnish all kinds of attachment, needles off, &c.

It will pay a purchaser to call and see.

marl-tf GEO, O' CONRAD.

to the Working Class .- Ve are now pre-

Fo the Working Class.—Ve are now prepared to furnish all classes with constant employments
at home, the whole of the time, or for their spars maments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons
of either sex easily earn from 50 cents to \$5 per evraing, and a proportional sum by devoting their whole
time to the business. Boys and girls eave nearly as
much as men. That all who see this notice may sorn!
their address, and test the business we make this unparallelled offer: To such as are not well astisfied we
will send one dollar to pay for the trouble of writing.
Full particulars, samples worth several dollars to commonce work on, and a copy of Home and Fireside, we,
of the largest and best Illustrated Publications, all sect
free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitable work, address Gronge Stinson & Co., Portland,
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NEW PRODUCE STORE! IN HARRISONBURG.

have recently opened a FAMILY PRODUCE 'nd GROCERY STORE in the Store-Room recent occupied by Wm. S. Kennedy, on Bank Row, N. West of our-House, where I am prepared to furnish families with everything in the way of eating.

Or has paid for all kinds of Country Preduce.

I will pay CASH for Potatoos, Cabbage, Pork Escon, Lard. Flour, Buckwhest, Corn, Dried Fruit of all kinds, Sonp, Butter, Fggs, &c., &c., jand-Sm. A. C. ROHR.

NOTICE, FARMERS AND MILLERS!

ISAAC PAUL

S buying Wheat, Flour, Corn, Cloverseed, Butter, COUNTRY PRODUCE or CASH at his old stand, on German Street. Call afore you sell. FREE BITUHING place at his dobr. HAYES'S INAUGURAL.

His Policy and Promises—Pacification of the Country—Self Government in the South—The Finances, &c.

FELLOW-CITIZENS:—We have assembled to repeat the public ceremonial begun by Washington, observed by all my predecessors, and now a time-honored custom, which marks the commencement of a new term of the presidential office. Called to the duties of this great trust, I proceed, in compliance with usage, to announce some of the leading principles on the subjects that now chiefly engage public attention by which it is my desire to be guided in the discharge of those

I shall not undertake to lay down irrevoca. | ance. I recommend ble principles or measures of administration, but rather to speak of the motives which should animate us, and to suggest certain important ends to be attained in accordance with our institutions and essential to the welfare of our country. At the outset of the discussion which preceded the recent presidential election, it seemed to me fitting that I should fully make known my sentiments in regard to several of the important ques tions which then appeared to demand the consideration of the country. Following the example, and in part adopting the language of one of my predecessors, I wish now when every motive for misrepresentation has passed away, to repeat what was said before the election, trusting that my countrymen will candidly weigh and understand it, and that they will feel assured that the sentiments declared in accepting the nomination for the presidency will be the standard of my conduct in the path before me, charged as I now am with the grave and difficult task of carrying them out in the practical administra tion of the government so far as depends, under the constitution and laws, on the chief executive of the nation. THE PERMANENT PACIFICATION OF THE

COUNTRY, upon such principles and by such measures as will secure the complete protection of all its citizens in the free enjoyment of all their constitutional rights, is now the one object in our public affairs, which all thoughtful and patriotic citizens regard as of supreme importance.

Many of the calamitous effects of the tremendous revolution which has passed over the Southern States still remain. The immeasurable benefits which will surely follow, sooner or later, the hearty and generous acceptance of the legitimate results of that revelution have not yet been realized. Difficult and embarrassing questions meet us at the threshhold of this subject. The people of those States are still impoverished and the inestimable blessing of wise, honest, and peaceful local self-government is not fully enjoyed. Whatever difference of opinion may exist as to the cause of this condition of things, the fact is clear that in the pro gress of events, the time has come when such government is the imperative necessity required by all the varied interests, public and private, of those States; but it must not be forgotten that only a local government which recognizes and maintains inviolate the rights of all is a true self-government, with respect to the two distinct races whose peculiar relations to each other have brought apon us the deplorable complications and perplexities which exist in those States. It must be a government which guards the interests of both races carefully and equally. It must be a government which submits loyally and heartily to the constitution and the laws—the laws of the nation and the laws of the States; themselves accepting and obeying faithfully the whole constitution as it is. Resting upon this sure and substantial foundation, the superstructure of beneficent local governments can be built up and not otherwise. In furtherance of such obedience to the letter and the spirit of the constitution, and in behalf of all that its attainment implies, all so-called party interests lose their apparent importance, and party lines may well be permitted to fade into

The question which we have to consider for the immediate welfare of these States of the Union is the question of government or no government, of social order, and all the peaceful industries, and the happiness that belong to it, or a return to barbarism. It is a question in which every citizen of the na-tion is deeply interested, and with respect to which we ought not to be, in a partisan sense, either Republicans or Democrats, but fellow citizens and fellow men, to whom the interests of a common country and a common humanity are dear.

The sweeping revolution in the entirela-bor system of a large portion of our coun-try and the advance of four millions of people from a condition of servitude to that of citizenship upon an equal footing with their former masters, could not occur without presenting problems of the gravest moment to be dealt with by the emancipated race, by their former masters, and by the general government. The authority by the act of emancipation that it was a wise, just, and providential act, fraught with good for all concerned, is now generally conceded throughout the country. That a moral obligation rests upon the national government to employ its constitutional power and information. to employ its constitutional power and influence to establish the rights of the people it has emancipated, and to protect them in the enjoyment of those rights when they are infringed and assailed, is also generally admitted. The evils which afflict the Southern States can only be removed or remedied by the united and harmonious efforts of both races, actuated by motives of mutual sym-pathy and regard; and while in duty bound and fully determined to protect the rights of all by constitutional means, to the dispo-sal of my administration I am sincerely anxsal of my administration I am sincerely anxious to use every legitimate influence in favor of honest and efficient local self government as the true recourse of those States for the promotion of the contentment and prosperity of their citizens. In the effort I shall make to accomplish this purpose I ask the cordial co-operation of all who cherish an interest in the welfare of our country, trusting that parties and the prejudice of race that parties and the prejudice of race will be freely surrendered in behalf of the great purpose to be accomplished in the important work of

RESTORING THE SOUTH. It is not the political situation alone that merits attention. The material development of that section of the country has been ar-rested by the social and political revolution through which it has passed, and now needs and deserves the considerate care of the national government within the just limits prescribed by the constitution and wise pub-lic economy; but at the basis of all prosperity, for that as well as for every other part of the country, lies the improvement of the intellectual and moral condition of the peo-ple. Universal suffrage should rest upon universal education. To this end liberal and permanent provision should be made for the support of free schools by the State govern-ments, and, if need be, supplemented by le-gitimate aid from national authority. Let me assure my countrymen of the Southern States that it is my earnest desire to regard and promote their truest interests—the in-terests of white and the colored people both equally—and to put forth my best efforts in behalf of a civil policy which will forever wipe out in our political affairs the color line and the distinction between North and South, to the end that we may have not merely a united North and a united South but a united country.

REFORM IN OUR CIVIL SERVICEa reform not merely to ascertain abuses and practices of so called official patronage, which have come to have the sanction of usage in the several departments of our government, but a change in the system of appointment itself; a reform that shall be thor ough, radical and complete-a return to the principles and practices of the founders of the government. They neither expected nor desired that public officers should owe their whole service to the government and to the people. They meant that the officer should secure in his office as long as his personal character remained untarnished, and the performance of his duties satisfactory.— They held that appointments to office were not to be made nor held as rewards for partisan service, nor merely on the momination of members of Congress, as being entitled in any respect to the control of such appoint.

ments. The fact that both of the great political parties of the country, in declaring their principles prior to the election, gave a prominent place to the subject of reform of our civil service, recognizing and strongly urging its necessity in terms almost identical in their specific import with those I have here employed, must be accepted as a con-clusive argument in behalf of these meas-ures. It must be regarded as the expression

of the united voice and will of the whole country upon this subject, and both political parties are virtually pledged to give it their unreserved support. The President of the United States, of necessity, owes his elec-tion to office to the suffrage and zealous labors of a political party, the members of which cherish the ardor, and regard, as of ersential importance, the principles of their party organization; but he should strive to be always mindful of the fact that he serves his party best who serves the country best. In furtherance of the reform we seek, and in other respects a change of great import-

AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION prescribing a term of six years for the pres-idential office and forbidding a re election. With respect to the financial condition of the country, I shall not attempt an extended history of the embarrassment and prostra-tion which we have suffered during the past three years. The depression in all our va-ried commercial and manufacturing interests throughout the country, which began in September, 1873, still continues. It is very gratifying, however, to be able to say that there are indications all around us of a com uncertainty inseparably from an irredeema-ble paper currency with its fluctuations with values, is one of the greatest obstacles to return to a prosperous time. The only rafe return to a prosperous time. The only rafe paper currency is one which rests upon a coin basis, and is at all times and promptly convertable into coin. I adhere to the views heretofore expressed by me in favor of con gressional legislation in behalf of an early resumption of specie payment, and I am satisfied not only that this is wise, but that the

the country imperatively demand it.

OUR RELATIONS WITH OTHER LANDS.

We are reminded by the international complications abroad, threatening the peace of Europe, that our traditional rule of noninterference with the affairs of foreign na tions has proved of great value in past times and ought to be strictly observed. The policy inaugurated by my honored predecessor (President Grant) of submitting to arbitration grave questions of dispute between ourselves and foreign powers, point to a new, and incomparably the best, instrumentality for the preservation of peace, and will, as I believe, become a beneficent example of the course to be pursued in similar emergencies by other nations. If, unhappily, questions of difference should, at any time during the period of my administration, arise between the United States and any foreign govern ment, it will certainly be my disposition and my hope to aid in their settlement in the same peaceful and honorable way, thus securing to our country the great blessings of peace and mutual good offices with all the nations of the world.

THE PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST REVIEWED. Fellow citizens, we have reached the close of a political contest marked by the excitement which usually attends the contest between great political parties, whose members espouse and advocate with earnest faith their respective creeds. The circumstances were, perhaps, in no respect extraordinary save in the closeness and the consequent un certainty of the result. For the first time in the history of the country it has been deemed best, in view of the peculiar circumstances of the case, that the objections and questions in dispute with reference to the counting of the electoral votes should be referred to the decision of a tribunal appointed for the purpose. That tribunal appointed by law, for this sole purpose, with its mem-bers all of them of long established reputa tion for integrity and intelligence, and with the exception of those who are also mem-bers of the Supreme Judiciary, chosen equally from both political parties, its deliberations enlightened by the research and the argumets of able counsel, was entitled to the fullest confidence of the American peo ple. Its decisions have been patiently waited for, and accepted as legally conclusive by the general judgment of the public. For the present, opinion will widely vary as to the wisdom of the several conclusions an-nounced by that tribunal. This is to be an-ticipated in every instance where matters of dispute are made the subject of arbitration under the forms of law. Human judgment is never unerring, and especially regarded as otherwise than wrong by the unsuccessful

party in the contest. The fact that two great political parties have in this way settled a dispute, in regard to which good men differ as to the facts and as to the proper course to be pursued in as to the proper course to be pursued in solving the question in controversy, is an oc casion for general rejoicing. Upon one point there is entire unanimity in public sentiment: That conflicting claims to the presidency must be amicably adjusted, and that when so adjusted the general acquiescence of the nation ought surely to follow. It has been reserved for a government of the people where the right of suffrage is universal to give to the world the first example in histo ry of a great nation, in the midst of a strug gle of opposing parties for power, hushing its party tumults, to yield to the issue of the contest to adjustment according to the forms of law.

THE CONCLUSION. Looking for the guidance of that Divine hand by which the destinies of nations and individuals are shaped, I call upon you, senators, representatives, judges, fellow-citizens, here and everywhere, to unite with me than an armost effort to secure to our country. in an earnest effort to secure to our country the blessings, not only of material prosperi-ty, but of justice, peace and union—a union depending not upon the constraint of force, but upon the loving devotion of a free peo-ple, and that all things may be so ordered and settled upon the best and surest foun-dations, that peace and happiness, truth and ished among us for all generations.

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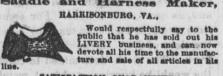
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