

**THE MARKET** this morning was well attended. The prices of fresh meats was about the same, as our last quotations. Poultry is dear. Turkeys from \$1. to \$3, according to size; Geese from \$1 @ \$1.50; ducks from \$1 @ \$1.50 per pair; chickens do.; Butter from 30 @ 50 cts. per pound. Eggs 40 @ 50 cts. per dozen. Vegetables as last quoted. The general prices are high—too high for "comfort" to all housekeepers.

**U. S. DISTRICT COURT.**—In consequence of the absence of the U. S. District Attorney the Court was not in session to-day.

Mr. Andrew Jamieson was summoned to Washington yesterday by mistake; the summons was intended for another person.

The New York World says that the health of Gen. Grant is precarious and that his friends are apprehensive of his life. It is said that he is still suffering from the effects of his fall at New Orleans.

The National Intelligencer says:—"The number of soldiers obtained by the draft already had under the act "about 50,000 men." The exact sum paid under the "commutation clause" was \$10,518,000, representing 35,000 soldiers. Thus it appears that out of a draft calling for 300,000 men, only 85,000 recruits were obtained in men and in money representing men to be procured by the Government."

A dispatch from Atlanta, Georgia, in the Richmond papers of the 16th, state that Gen. Grant had evacuated Chattanooga, and was falling back upon Nashville, tearing up the railroad as he retreated. It was said that General Hardee would pursue. Longstreet, it was said, would attempt to hold Northeastern Tennessee.

The Washington correspondents of the Northern papers speak of the swarms of negroes, mostly contrabands, who are now in Washington, acting as hack drivers, porters, boot cleaners, domestic servants, &c., &c.

The London Spectator has a review of Bayard Taylor's novel of "Hannah Thurston," in which it says:—"If Bayard Taylor has not placed himself, as we are half inclined to suspect, in the front rank of novelists, he has produced a very remarkable book, a really original story.

Many persons have a habit of lowering the gas-lights in their bed-rooms to a faint jet at night. This, to say nothing of its pernicious influence upon the health, may be productive of serious accidents.

The correspondent of the New York Express writing from Port Hudson, La., speaks of the plans and projects of the Confederates for re-obstructing the navigation of the Mississippi River.

The U. S. gunboat Nansmond has arrived at Baltimore, having narrowly escaped being wrecked in the late gale. She lost all her guns but one.

**TWO SPORTSMEN.**—On hand at 88 King st., and for sale cheap for cash—  
1 very superior Bird Gun, (Holis & Heath.)  
1 English Twist Ducking Gun.  
1 fine Violin in Wooden Case. Call and examine.  
JNO. T. CREIGHTON.  
dec. 19—3t\*

**BUTTER.**—1,500 pounds fresh Welch and Goshen Butter in store and for sale by.  
F. G. SWAINE,  
No. 26 Royal street.  
dec 16

**NEW BUCKWHEAT.**  
Just received at 106 Prince street.  
nov 18—tf J. T. COOKE.

**THE HOLIDAYS.**

**FOR THE HOLIDAYS.**—I have just received a large supply of Miscellaneous and Juvenile Books; Photograph Albums, Writing Desks and Work Boxes, Gold Pens, Pocket Books, Games, and other articles suitable to the approaching Holidays; all of which will be sold at low prices.  
ROBERT BELL,  
dec 19—3t\* No. 61, King street.

**CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS!**

**HOLIDAY PRESENTS!**

At the store, No. 86 King street, one door below Royal, can be found one of the largest stocks, suitable for holiday presents, in the city, comprising Gentlemen's and Ladies' fine Gold and Silver Watches and Chains. Fine Diamond Rings, Breast-Pins, Ear-Rings. Fine sets of Jewelry for Ladies. Gentlemen's Seal Rings, Hair Chains—all styles and patterns; Napkin-Rings, Cake Baskets, Sugar Bowls, Fruit Dishes, Fruit, Fish, Pie and Butter Knives, Castors, Goblets, Cups, Fine Gold Pens and Silver Holders, Gold Pencils, Gold Bracelets, Salt Cellars, full Breakfast and Tea Sets, and in fact, every article usually kept in a first class jewelry establishment, most appropriate for presents, being both useful and ornamental.

CALL AT 86 KING STREET.  
dec 15—tf

**CHRISTMAS AND THE HOLLIDAYS!**

AT

**THE OLD DOMINION BAKERY.**

**NO. 149. KING STREET.**

**T**he subscriber, at the Old Dominion bakery, No. 149, King street, is now prepared for Christmas and the hollidays. He has on hand a very large assortment of **FRENCH CANDIES**; all kinds of **CAKES, PIES, FRUITS, JELLIES, FRUITS, &c., &c.** Also Toys, Fire Works and everything in his line, to tickle the fancy and please the appetite.

Orders for cakes, pies, &c., for Christmas must be left at an early day, to secure their being ready.  
E. PIEPENBRING.  
dec 14—tf

**CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!**

*Grover & Baker's Sewing Machines.*

**W**e have on hand two of the above machines just received from the factory. Having been the agents for the sale of these celebrated machines for several years we can recommend them with pleasure.

They Hem, Fell, Gather and Stitch in the most superior manner. Parties interested can see the machine and specimens of their work by calling on  
LEADBEATER & CO.  
12 mo 14—tf No. 7, South Fairfax street.

**STEAMED OYSTERS.**

**T**he place to get your **STEAMED OYSTERS** is at the old stand No. 90, Prince street. Tangier Sound and Cove Oysters served up in every style.

Sutlers, Hotels, and private families supplied by the gallon or bushel.  
Steaks and Chops cooked to order at the shortest notice.

ISAAC Z. VAN REYPER, Proprietor.  
dec 15—tf

**BOOTS, SHOES AND CLOTHING!**

**O**n hand a large lot of **BOOTS and SHOES**, fine and coarse, of the best makes, also clothing of finest quality, which will be sold at wholesale and retail at the lowest cash prices.—Those in want will do well to call at once.

SHEARER & PAINE,  
dec 18—1m\* No. 5, South Fairfax st.

**SHOES BOOTS, SHOES, BOOTS, SHOES, BOOTS.**

**J**ust received a large stock of Gent's, Ladie's, Misse's and Children's **BOOTS, SHOES, and GAITERS**; also a good stock of Boys and Children's **BOOTS**, which will be sold very low. Call at No. 80, King st.  
dec 10—tf JOHN T. EVANS.

**TO GROCERS AND SUTLERS!**

**J**ust received, at No. 5, south Fairfax st., a large supply of **COFFEE and SOAP**, which will be sold low to close the consignment.  
dec 18—1w\* SHEARER & PAINE.

**MUSIC.**—A few pupils will be taken on very moderate terms. Apply at this office.  
dec 1—tf

**BANKING HOUSE**

**J. B. HUTCHINSON & CO.**

57 KING STREET.

**W**E HAVE opened an office at the above place, for the transaction of a general Banking business in connection with our Washington House. We buy and sell gold, silver and uncurrent money, and all classes of Government securities. Stocks and bonds bought and sold on commission. Sight drafts issued, and collections made on all accessible points.—Deposits received.

We will furnish the United States 5-20 bonds at par.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, & CO.

nov 21—tjan 1

**COAL OIL.**

**C**HEAPEST AND BEST COAL OIL IN THE CITY, by the barrel, or at retail, prices as low, or lower than the lowest—quality unequalled—for sale at

COGAN'S,

No. 15 Royal street, where can be had Lamps, Chimnies, Wicks, and everything connected with the trade, in every variety of style, together with a general assortment of Gas and Steam Fixtures, Chandeliers, Pendants, Brackets, Drop Lights, Glass Globes, Paper Shades, &c., of all the new styles, and beautiful patterns, at prices to please.

Gas Fitting, Alterations and Extensions promptly attended to; all work warranted.

Patent Thief Detecting Money Drawer for sale.  
nov 14—1m

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT! NOTICE.**

TO THE LADIES OF ALEXANDRIA, VA.

**F**ROM this day till after New Years' day, I promise to sell my whole stock of **DRY GOODS** at the most astonishing cheap prices.

The very best quality of Calico, at 20 cts. per yard.

De Laines from 25 cts. to 30 cts. per yard; Fine Bleached Muslin 1 yard wide at 25 cts. per yard; Double Shawls, the latest style out, from \$5.00 up; all wool Marinoses from 35 cts. to 65 cts. per yard; Black Cloth Cloaks at all prices.

Blankets, the very best quality and all wool, at \$6.00 a pair; Hoop Skirts with 40 springs at \$1.25 a pair; Hoods, Corsets and hundreds of other articles at the same rates.

If you want to save 25 cts. on every dollar, come to buy your goods at the cheap place of

S. ROSEWALD,

178, King street.

dec 10—tf

2 doors above Washington.

**TEAS! TEAS!!**

**J**ust received from New York and Philadelphia (direct from importers) a large and well selected assortment of Gun Powder, Young Hyson and Black Teas, some of very superior quality.  
F. G. SWAINE,  
dec 16 No. 26 Royal street.

**ARE YOU GOING**

**TO SEE THE BARGAINS**

**AT H. SCHWARZ'S?** You will find now, the best Cloth Cloaks at \$10.

Elegant De Laines at 25 cts. a yard.

Towels at 20 cts. a piece.

Muffs and Capes for misses at \$5.00—and, in fact everything at a low figure.

Call and see him—free admittance and no trouble to shew goods.  
dec 4—tf

**A CARD.**

DANIEL SHAY,

**MERCHANT TAILOR,**

**H**AVING taken the stand formerly occupied by W. & A. Murray, No. 19, North Fairfax street, is prepared to fill all orders entrusted to him, and promises to keep up the reputation of his predecessors.  
dec 9—tf

**NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.**

**T**HE STATE TAX BILLS FOR 1861, 1862, 1863, FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF ALEXANDRIA are now ready. All persons are expected to come forward, pay their TAXES, and save trouble. Office No. 4, Columbus Street, corner of King.  
S. N. GARWOOD, Sheriff.

nov. 19—1m

**A**PPLES—  
50 bbls of choice APPLES, just received and for sale by  
R. H. GEMENY,  
dec 12—tf No. 7, cor. King and Union sts.

Go to SCHWARZ'S and look at his assortment of Bonnets, Furs, and Cloaks.  
dec 4—tf