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FOR RENT.—I have for rent, a small House, containing three rooms and a kitchen, on Broad street, near the residence of Hon. John M. Botts. Possession can be had at once. Apply to
EDWARD D. EACHO,
no 1 General Agent and Collector.

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FOR HIRE.—I have for hire for the balance of the year, a WOMAN, who is said to be a good cook, washer and ironer—without incumbrance. Apply to
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oc 23 General Agent and Collector.

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oc 17 R. M. BURTON.

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se 29 Agents.

FOR RENT, the store on Cary street, at present occupied by M. Blair. Possession given 1st January next. Apply to
se 10 JOHN H. CLAIBORNE.

FOR RENT—Over my Store a LODGING ROOM. JNO. THOMPSON,
se 24 No. 87 Main st

MOST VALUABLE TENEMENT IN MARSHALL PLACE, FOR SALE.—We are authorized to sell the middle tenement in Marshall Place.

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Also, for the CAST IRON work required in the construction of the Tracks, Turnouts and Bridges of said road.

Also, proposals for furnishing RAILS for the track of said road, to be made at each end thereof.

Each proposal must be endorsed, "Proposals for Cars, Cast Iron Work, &c," and shall state whether the articles proposed to be furnished will be manufactured on the line of the road or elsewhere.

The proposals to be addressed to the undersigned.
JAMES G. PAXTON,
Superintendent of the Covington and Ohio Railroad.
RICHMOND, Sept. 13, 1853. se 14—Stawtd

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.—Great prosperity continues to attend the business of this company. The last quarter's report of its transactions has just come to hand.

During the 3 months up to the 1st inst., 121 new Policies have been issued, the premiums on which, including premiums on all renewals, amount to....$32,449 26
Losses paid during the same time on 12 Policies, amount to....23,970 14

Leaves this sum added to previous assets..$59,479 12
Total amount of the present accumulated assets is..........$736,175 07

For Insurance, call at the Baptist Book Depository, No. 203 Main street.
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They tender their best services to the community *at reduced charges.*

All their acts will be held *strictly confidential.*

Persons desiring employment, and those wishing to employ others, are requested to call and leave their names.

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JAMES BOSHER, President.
JOHN H. BOSHER, Secretary. mh 17

LAND FOR SALE.—We are authorised to sell a Tract of Land, containing 140 acres, lying in Chesterfield county, about three miles from Mayo's bridge, on the Turnpike leading from Manchester to the Coal Pits, and bounded by the lands of Russell Dickerson, Mr. Shooter, Thomas Hartgrove, Mrs. Fisher and the waters of Reedy Creek. Between 90 and 100 acres of this land is in wood, the balance in a high state of improvement. Terms cash.
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THE subscriber has just received from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, the best CLOTHS, CASSIMERES and VESTINGS to be found in those markets, which he will make up on reasonable terms and in the most fashionable style.—He begs a share of public patronage. Examine for yourself.

READY MADE CLOTHING of every quality, Richmond manufacture, as cheap as at any other house in the city.

Gentlemen's FURNISHING GOODS in great variety.
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se 13 110 Main st.

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no 2

DANIEL H. LONDON, Corner Main and 13th Streets, Richmond.—All kinds Winter and Fall Goods, at reduced prices, to close off the remainder of my Fall Importation. Stock complete in most styles, and the prices very low, particularly Ladies' Dress Goods, in patterns, Silks, Marino, Cashmeres, Mouselaines, Alpacas and Cambrics; Flannels, Blankets, Vestings and Shawls.
no 1

TOILET SETS IN EVERY VARIETY. Toilet Sets, 9, 10, 14 and 16 pieces, of Blue, White, Granite Flowing; Decorated and Gilt and Fancy Patterns; Toilet Ware Basins and Ewers, and other pieces singly and in pairs.
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oc 27 No. 117 West Main St.

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oc 19 ELIAS HALE, 106 Main street.

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Double barrel English Guns, warranted, for	$10 00
" " Stub and Twist, warranted,	15 00
Double barrel English Guns, superior, Stub and Twist, warranted,	25 00
The latest and best improved Patent Gun,	40 00
Steel Wad Cutters, each	25
250 Wads in a box, for	18
Powder Flasks,	37
Bowie Knives, from	$1 to 5 00
500,000 Percussion Caps, (warranted 250 in a box,) at 40 cents per thousand.	
100,000 Anti-corrosive Percussion Caps, (Starkey's best,) at 37½ cents for 250.	
Shot Pouches, Belts of every kind at all prices, Colt's Revolvers, Allen's Pistols, and a general assortment of sporting articles too numerous to mention.	
Gold Watches which run on 4 jewels, in good order, for	$20 00
Gold Levers, 13 jewels,	23 00
18 carat Gold Levers, 13 jewels, warranted for 12 months,	25 00
Gold English Levers, from	$35 to 200 00
Gold Chains, from	12 to 50 00
Gold Fob Chains, from	10 to 90 00
Gold Pencil cases, from	75 cts. to 10 00
Silver Watches, regulated, at	6 00

And a general variety of Silver Table and Tea SPOONS, JEWELRY of every description. Fancy Goods, &c. &c. HENRY HYMAN,
Direct Importer of Guns, and the only Importer of Gold Watches, &c.
Don't forget that it is at No. 96, Main st. se 30

WE MAY BE HAPPY YET.

OH, had we a nice little lot of our own,
Where the larks sing so sweetly and with thee all alone;
With the woodbine encircled around a nice bower,
And a Clock of BARTHOLOMEW'S to tell us the hour.

It's a pleasure to think that on earth while we are living,
That freedom's a banner to all of us given;
With good health to those who have a heart when alone,
To think of the poor who has no Clock at home.

That Clock of my father's they say is worn out,
And for time I must say it pulls me about;
But while we live there is hope, so we will not despair,
For BARTHOLOMEW'S the man who will soon it repair.

W. BARTHOLOMEW, Watchmaker,
Governor Street, two doors above the Dispatch
no 11 Office.

BOWLING SALOON.—The undersigned has just fitted up an elegant SALOON in the rear of the Arbour, for the amusement and exercise of gentlemen; with three splendid ALLEYS, just put down in the best manner by Mr. R. England, and pronounced by judges the most superior in workmanship ever seen in the city, which will be opened this day to the public.

He has also completely remodeled his ARBOUR RESTAURANT, and it is now pronounced the most splendid establishment in Virginia, where can be had at all times the greatest delicacies of the season, and where everything good to eat and drink will be always ready for his friends and patrons.

He returns his sincere thanks to his friends for their unbounded patronage, and assures them every attention of himself and assistants will be always rendered.
oc 10 R. W. ALLEN.

AID AND COMFORT TO THE AFFLICTED.—The numerous certificates in behalf of Mrs. DAWS' COUGH ELIXIR, which have been published, bear ample testimony as to its virtues in cases of COUGHS, COLDS, WHOOPING COUGH, &c. These certificates are from persons who reside among us, and are well known as persons of the highest respectability and undoubted veracity.

The season when Coughs and Colds are almost universal will soon be upon us, and it behoves every one to prepare himself. If you will only give this remedy the trial you have given other medicines, more "puffed" but less valuable, we feel assured that you will never regret having done it. It is said that "consumption can be cured," but this medicine will prevent Coughs arising from Colds and other causes, from merging into consumption.

For sale, wholesale and retail, by BENNETT & BEERS, A. BODEKER, CHAS. BECK, CHAS. D YALE, and Mrs. A. B. DAWS, Main street, and BOUCHER & MELTON, Broad street, and CHAS. MILLSPAUGH, Druggist, Richmond. se 21

CALLOPOION OR HEALING BALM, FOR CHAPPED FACE AND HANDS, ROUGHNESS, IRRITABILITY OR HARSHNESS OF THE SKIN, CHAFING, &c., &c.—This admirable article will, by its peculiar bland and healing properties, together with its agreeable perfume, at once recommend itself to the confidence and patronage of the public, as a most delightful essential of the toilet.

Its application speedily removes all irritability, roughness or harshness of the skin, rendering it by constant use delicately soft and fair.

Being composed of vegetable substances, and entirely free from mineral or corrosive admixture, it may be used with safety on the tenderest infant, and will be found a very efficient and cooling application for chafing, inflamed, or excoriated surfaces, &c.

As it contains no greasy substances, it is cleanly, and at the same time simply and easily applied. Prepared only by PURCELL, LADD & CO.,
oc 18 Druggists, Main street, Richmond, Va.

R. O. HASKINS, SHIP CHANDLER, GROCER AND COMMISSION MERCHANT, at his new house, opposite the old stand of Haskins & Libby, and in front of the Steamboat Landing, where may be found a general assortment of all articles in his line, viz:

Cordage, Hemp and Manilla.

Blocks, Patent Roller Friction; Bushed and Common Twine; Sail Needles, Hooks and Thimbles; Marine Spikes, Caulking Irons, Can Hooks, Box Hooks, Hand Spikes, Wood Saws, and various articles in the Ship Chandlery Line.

GROCERIES.—Sugar, Coffee, Tea, Soap, Candles, Butter, Lard, Molasses, &c.

BEEF.—Mess, Prime and No. 1; Mess and Prime Pork.

BACON, Dried Beef, Smoked Tongues, &c.

PAINTS.—White and Black Lead; Paris, Chrome and Verdigris Green, Vermillion, Chrome Yellow, Spanish Brown, Paint Oil Varnish.

Sperm and Solar Oil; Fish Oil, Tar, Pitch, Rosin, Spirits Turpentine, &c.

Crockery, for ship use.

Buckets, Brooms, &c. oc 7

THE subscriber having just returned from N. York with a splendid assortment of GOODS, selected by himself from the New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore markets, respectfully ask of his friends and the public generally to call and examine his stock, amongst which may be found all qualities and colors of French, English and American CLOTHS, CASSIMERES and VESTINGS, such as—

Paris Fancy Cassimeres
Crystal Palace do; Granite Mills
Velvet, plush, silk and merino Vestings
Granadine silk and plush Velvets
Plush palm do
Paris silk do

Dress Shirts and Collars, merino Shirts and Drawers, Gloves, Socks, Suspenders, Cravats, Scarfs, Ties, Pocket Hdkfs, Washington and Napoleon Cravats, Money Belts, &c. &c.

READY-MADE DEPARTMENT.

Super black, brown, olive and green Dress and Frock Coats
Pants and Vests of all styles and qualities
Kossuth and Lamartine Over Coats
Esquimaux Wrappers, English Whitney
Blue, black and brown Over Sacks
Petersham Over Sacks, all colors
Turkish Smoking Gowns
Gent's velvet Morning do.
Do. traveling Shawls
Do. snow-storm Scarfs, &c. &c.

E. B. SPENCE,
oc 26 No. 120, corner Main and Governor sts.

FALL TRADE.—GINTER & ALVEY, No. 16 Pearl street, Richmond, importers and wholesale dealers in HOISERY, GLOVES, HANDKERCHIEFS, CRAVATS, BUTTONS, COMBS, THREADS, &c., have now in store, of their own direct importation, the largest and most extensive assortment of cotton, woolen and silk HOSIERY, GLOVES, HANDKERCHIEFS and CRAVATS, Fancy Woolen GOODS, BUTTONS, COMBS, THREADS and FANCY GOODS generally, ever exhibited in any market, in any one establishment.

Having every facility in the importation of Foreign Goods, we can confidently pledge ourselves to sell our Goods as low as they are sold in any market in the country.

We would respectfully solicit the Merchants of Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee, to give our stock an examination when visiting our market, assuring them that we will show them a stock unsurpassed by any in Baltimore, Philadelphia or New York. GINTER & ALVEY,
se 6 No. 16 Pearl street.

THE LUSTRAL HAIR TONIC—Prepared only by BENNETT & BEERS, Druggists, has received the sanction and approval of the fashionable community, not only as an elegant preparation to dress and beautify the hair, but the best of all the numerous tonics for keeping the hair from falling out, removing dandruff, and promoting its growth. Sold in bottles at 25 and 50 cents each.
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THE DAILY DISPATCH.

☞ The circulation of the Daily Dispatch exceeds considerably that of all the Daily papers of Richmond combined.

RICHMOND, VA

MONDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 14, 1853.

East and West.

We are sorry to see this antiquated division recurred to, and the old feelings of section stirred up in some quarters, in connexion with railroad appointments. We had hoped that the late Reform Convention had quieted for all future time the insane and senseless jealousy between the two sections. On that occasion both parties settled all radical causes of difference by the greatest and most generous sacrifices. There was no longer any principle left to quarrel about, and thenceforth Virginia became "one and indissoluble."

Nor has either section of the State, since the Reform Convention, and, indeed, for some years before, had any reason to complain of neglect or partiality in the State government in appropriations for internal improvement. A system of public works has been established which embraces both East and West in its comprehensive scope, and which indeed depends for its efficiency and success as much upon its Western as its Eastern extension. Millions upon millions have been appropriated for railroads to develope the rich agricultural and mineral treasures of the West, and to unite Virginia with the great natural and artificial highways of the Western and South western States. Both sections are equally interested in the completion of our public works, and neither have the slightest reason to complain that they have been neglected by the legislature. Indeed, the only complaints we have lately heard in regard to appropriations are from the opponents of the improvement system, who conjure up periodically the bugbears of extravagance and bankruptcy. Is it not then the height of folly and injustice to invoke the slumbering prejudices of section because the officers of improvement companies happen, sometimes, to be selected from one instead of another section? What on the earth has section to do with qualifications for the presidency of a railroad company? Ought not an office in which the Commonwealth and the community are so profoundly interested, to be filled with sole reference to capacity and integrity, and not to the county or the section in which a man lives? Ought not the best man to be chosen no matter where his tent is pitched? We should think so, and it seems to us that when both sections share in the benefits of a road, they should not only be content to let the offices of that road be distributed without regard to section, but perceive that their mutual interests demand the selection of the most capable men, without reference to their location.

We do not believe for a moment that there is any jealousy upon this or any other subject between the *people* of Eastern and Western Virginia. Their disinterestedness and straight forward honesty would never take note of the "trifles light as air," which jealous aspirants and demagogues seize as irresistible confirmation of wrong and injustice. We have no fear, however, that this sectional spirit can hereafter effect any alienation between our people. Virginia, east and west, has been united in bonds which no wit nor power of man can hereafter sunder. The political barriers between east and west have gradually given way before the compromise of the last Constitutional Convention, and our mountain ramparts are disappearing before the extension of railroad and canal. When these shall be completed, Virginia will be one in fact, in interest and in affection, as well as in name.

The Blue Ridge Tunnel.

We have recently heard many inquiries made as to the condition and prospects of the Blue Ridge Tunnel, and the likelihood of its being completed within the present century. We are unable to give our readers any precise information on the subject. The rock at which Col. Crozet is tapping is not exactly as accessible as a "hollow beech tree." Its flinty heart refuses to be enforced or entreated. The old officer of Napoleon in vain leads on his squadrons to the charge.—The adamantine bulwark dashes them back as Wellington's immovable veterans rolled back the wave of Waterloo. The contest between the iron and the rock is wearing out the iron, while the rock shows little sign of suffering. It is a contest between the Hards and the Softs, but unlike that in New York, the Hards are inside and the Softs out. People complain that Col. Crozet does not go through the mountain. Col. Crozet, no doubt, would be glad to do so, but the mountain will not let him. To those who insist that Col. Crozet shall be removed, we reply that they would better undertake to remove the mountain, which seems to deserve it, on account of its inhospitable treatment of Col. Crozet and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

We have lately read a letter from a French gentleman, to his brother in Paris, which is published in the Richmond Enquirer. This gentleman gives a graphic and interesting account of his travels in Virginia. He refers to the Tunnel and rebukes the impatience of our people in expecting such a work to be accomplished in a short time. He thinks it may require ten years to penetrate the hard heart of the mountain. We do not know upon what data this opinion is formed. If correct, it will be well to give up the Tunnel as destined to make a greater hole in the treasury than in the Blue Ridge.

We are sorry to hear from an intelligent gentleman of the Valley, that it is not probable that travellers will be able to travel all the way by railroad from Richmond to Staunton, before the 1st of April next. No blame however, is attributed by our informant to the Central Railroad Company. They are doing all that can be accomplished by mortal man. The temporary track across the mountain will be in readiness by the 1st of Jan'y, 1854. But the causes of delay, it appears, are found in the condition of the State work. This will not be in readiness for the operations of the Central Railroad—it has not a sufficient force upon it. We commend this subject to the attention of the Board of Public Works. That body is composed of sagacious and energetic gentlemen, and if they are awake to the wants and the public sentiment of the Commonwealth, they will give us a touch of Young America in the neighborhood of the Blue Ridge. The Virginians are a long-suffering people, but there is a time when patience ceases to be a virtue.

Central Railroad Company.

DECISION OF JUDGE MEREDITH.

The opinion delivered by Judge Meredith, on Thursday last, on the motion for an injunction asked for by the Fredericksburg Railroad Company, to prevent the Central Railroad Company from carrying passengers from Richmond to Washington, or from Washington to Richmond, or from carrying way passengers along the Fredericksburg Company's line, was not adverse to the Central Railroad Company, as stated in the *Bulletin*, of Friday evening. On the contrary, the counsel for the Central Railroad consider the decision of Judge Meredith as covering the whole claim they have set up before the Court, with the unimportant exception of persons living in and about the Junction, and in their case the Judge decided that the Fredericksburg Company must prove that any of those persons had travelled by the Central Railroad that would have travelled by any other.

EDITORIAL TORT AND RETORT.—Our worthy friends of the Petersburg Intelligencer and South-Side Democrat are engaged in a satirical war on each other; and but that we are afraid we might fare as he that attempts to separate man and wife, we should dare to interpose a peaceful adjuration. The sharp interchange of caustic puns and witticisms begun in plain prose; but that not being a sufficiently happy medium for the cutting conceits of the belligerents, they ascended to that higher grade of literary warfare, poetical satire. The specimens afforded by each are quite creditable, and with some little improvement, they bid fair to rival the fame of Dryden and Pope in that line. We are indeed deeply interested in the luxuriance of their satires, but confess to a preference for those more pleasant humors which were their wont during the past summer, when they interchanged civilities and swapped their wit around the bowl of turtle soup! Now, that was a sort of wit and humor by the side of which these mere paper passages are in the last degree insipid. Oh! gentlemen, revive the soup-bowl, and let it add zest to your smartness; it would give far more pleasure, and leave much less smarting after it! What says our friend Andrew to this suggestion?

EDITORS AT THE FAIR.—We observe that there were a number of Editors from different parts of Virginia and North Carolina, present at the recent Fair in this city. We were honored by visits from only two or three of them. We regret that they did not give us a call. We should have been gratified by the opportunity to promote their comfort and give them such facilities for information concerning the Fair and the city as we could furnish. We hope they will not treat us so another time.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.—We have received by Mr. J. W. RANDOLPH, from E. H. BUTLER & Co., the publishers, "The Bow in the Cloud, or Covenant Mercy for the afflicted." It is a handsome volume with elegant illustrations. Its contents are made up from the contributions of eminent clergymen. In this world of bereavement and affliction there are constant demands for comfort and consolation. Although many works have been published on this subject, and some of them, such as Bishop Patrick's "Heart's Ease," (a book by the way which we should like to see reproduced in a form worthy of its golden thoughts) have never been equalled, the work before us need not displace any of these valuable treatises, and will no doubt, prove an additional means of alleviating the anguish of the afflicted, and pointing the despairing to the bow of hope which spans the darkest cloud of human sorrow. For sale by J. W. Randolph.

We are also in receipt from the publishers, Messrs. Stringer & Townsend, New York, through the politeness of Mr. Geo. M. West, Exchange Bookstore, where the work may be purchased, a copy of "Merkland, or Self-Sacrifice," a very pretty volume, and which is said to be one of rare merit and beauty. The London Evangelical Miscellany, in noticing it, thus speaks: "The author of 'Merkland' completes the great literary trio for which we have all along been looking, viz: the author of Jane Eyre, the author of Ruth, and the author of Merkland! Our generation can now be said to have produced what the world has never previously witnessed, that is the simultaneous appearance of three great female writers, either of whom surpasses all of her sex who had appeared before—each of whom has obtained her fame by a single book, and all of whom form a cotemporaneous trio the world may never know again." We have not had an opportunity of reading this work, but shall take an early occasion to do so, and will refer to it again.

"Outline of the Geology of the Globe, and of the United States in Particular," is the title of a neat work recently issued by Phillips, Sampson & Co. The author is Edward Hitchcock, President of Amherst College, Massachusetts—a gentleman well known as a geologist of a high order. The work is intended chiefly as a sequel to "Elementary Geology;" but will be very useful to all who desire, in the easiest manner, to get a general knowledge of the geology of the globe; for, though the text be brief, yet the maps teach more, by a few moments' inspection, than many pages of letter-press.

The book can be found at West's bookstore, under the Exchange.

The fishermen from the British North American coast report that the weather has been terribly severe there for the past few weeks, and that the British fleet has gone into quarters for the winter.

Spirit of the Press.

Saturday's *Enquirer*, while regretting the result of the late election in New York, trusts that their present defeat may prove an useful lesson to the democracy; but, declining to continue the useless discussion of the past, it suggests that it is time for all who are really friendly to the administration, to cease their criticisms and rally cordially around it. The Enquirer publishes an extract from the message of Gov. Cobb, of Georgia, and gives it a complimentary notice.

The *Mail* gives an extract from the National Democrat, commenting on the result of the election in New York, wherein the responsibility of the Democratic defeat is laid upon the shoulders of the "Soft" branch of the party.

The *Whig*, also, has a chapter on New York politics, and another on the Richmond Medical College, advocating an independent charter for that institution, which it trusts will be granted by the coming Legislature.

The *Bulletin*, in its leader, refers to the joint protest of the British and French Consuls at Honolulu against the annexation of the Sandwich Islands to the United States, and says it would seem to indicate that these functionaries are beginning to feel no small degree of uneasiness on the subject. Then, after expressing the opinion that it is hardly probable that the two Consuls would have put themselves to the trouble of protesting with so much earnestness against the alienation of the King's sovereignty and its transfer to the United States had they not labored under well founded apprehensions that the measure was held in serious contemplation by the Monarch, and the possibility that our Government may receive at an early day some proposition respecting the annexation of the Sandwich Islands to the United States, gives the substance of the letter of Mr. Severance, the U. S. Commissioner, denying that there is any thing in the treaties, referred to by the two Consuls, to forbid the proposed union.

VIRGINIA.

NORFOLK.—We learn from the Norfolk *Argus* that the U. S. steamer Saranac, on her trial trip to the Roads, performed remarkably well.

The veteran Gen. Bankhead, with his family, left Fortress Monroe Wednesday evening for his command in Florida.

Madame Sontag was greeted by an overflowing house on her first appearance in Norfolk.

Mr. O. H. P. Corprew, of Norfolk, has been appointed Professor of Natural Philosophy in Randolph Macon College.

AN EDITOR GONE.—The editor of the Portsmouth *Globe* has taken unto himself a wife. So wags the world—or the *Globe*, just as you please to call it.

DUCK SHOOTING EXTRAORDINARY.—The Petersburg *Express* gives the following account of the extraordinary effects of a single gunshot, the hero of which was Henry Covington, of Chesterfield.

Mr. C. has been long accustomed to hunting duck, and has accomplished much, but he could scarcely believe what he had really done, until the defunct fowls were counted, and numbered *forty-four!* He thinks that he must have killed at least *fifty*, but as the number specified was all he obtained and "bagged," he does not claim more.

The scene of this unheard of slaughter of wild ducks, was at the the junction of Swift Creek and Appomattox river, a few miles below this city.—The whole of them were of the "duck and mallord" species, being about the size of the ordinary house duck, and realized Mr. C. 75 cents per pair.

UNFOUNDED.—The Petersburg *Express* states the report that Capt. James H. Belsches, of Prince George, committed suicide by taking laudanum, is wholly incorrect. He died of general debility, superinduced by extreme old age.

THE CLARKSVILLE HOMICIDE.—Elliott, charged with the murder of Gillespie, in Clarksville, having so far recovered from his wounds as to be thought out of danger, was examined on Tuesday last and sent on for trial. It appeared in evidence that Elliott received the first stab. The "*Tobacco Plant*" understands that Gillespie escaped from a prison in Georgia, where he was confined for shooting his brother-in-law. It is also stated that he is the third man who has met his death at the hands of Elliott.

A BIRD FLOWN.—The Danville *Register* says that Daniel Ramey, the young man who committed the murderous assault upon Capt. McDearman—stabbing him in several places with a chisel—broke jail a few nights ago, and left for "parts unknown."

STEAMBOAT NAVIGATION.—We learn from the Milton *Democrat*, that a gentleman by the name of Parks, from New Jersey, proposes to run Iron Steamboats in Dan river from Gaston up to Milton and Danville, and that the Roanoke Navigation Company have agreed to accede to him this privilege for ten years.

SENTENCED.—A young man named Motley was tried in the Pittsylvania Circuit Court last week for stealing $26, and sentenced to the penitentiary for twelve months.

VALEDICTORY.—Rev. J. N. Lewis, who has been for six years the Pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Danville, preached his valedictory sermon on Sunday night to a large congregation.

TO BE HUNG.—Jim Gooch, a slave, the property of Creed Taylor, of Amherst, has been sentenced to be hung on the 10th February, for the murder of Sam, another slave, belonging to J. B. and W. F. Poague.

FIRE.—We learn from the Weston *Herald*, that the dwelling house of Mr. John B. Grove, situated on the Staunton and Parkersburg Road, in the county of Ritchie, was entirely destroyed by fire on Tuesday last, together with all its contents—nothing was saved. Loss about $900.

ALMOST A FIRE.—The fine bridge across the river at Weston, Va., accidentally caught fire a few nights ago, and would have been destroyed but for its timely discovery.

REV. SAMUEL CLAWSON, an esteemed clergyman of Lewis county, who has struggled with poverty all his life, stands a good chance to come in for a share of a $36,000,000 legacy, in England. His wife's mother is a descendent of the Earl of Lancaster.

GREAT TROTTING MATCHES.—Extensive arrangements are in progress for a great trot of 100 miles, to come off in a day or two on the Union Course, Long Island. It is stated that a powerful horse has been entered to trot this immense distance inside of *nine hours*, for a stake of not less than $8,000 or $10,000.

The great match between the pacer *Hero* and trotter *Prince*, ten miles out, for $6000, was to take place on the Union Course last Friday. We have not yet learned the result.

SUICIDE.—On Thursday morning, at Portland, Arnold Wentworth, farmer, of Greene, Maine, charged with forgeries and frauds on the Pension Department, committed suicide in jail, by cutting his throat with a razor. The proof against him was clear.

INDICTMENT OF MARSHALS.—The Grand Jury of Wilkesbarre, Luzerne county, Pa., have found a true bill against Marshals Wynkoop and Cossman for attempting to arrest slave "Bill" some time since.

WISCONSIN ELECTION.—The State of Wisconsin as shown by returns, has gone entirely for the Democrats.

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LOCAL MATTERS.

THE LATE FIRE.—In our Saturday's issue we gave an account of the burning of the tobacco factories of Messrs. Goode & Allen and Mr. E. A. Smith, but there are some incidents connected with the fires, which may be worthy of note, as showing the necessity of great care on the part of tobacconists to guard against the incendiary acts of those they employ, and by consequence often have to offend. On Friday night last, before retiring to his chamber in the factory, Mr. John Davis, the overseer, accompanied by the unfortunate boy David, who was subsequently burned to death, went through the factory and found that the doors were all secured. In the room in which the fire commenced stood a stove, containing a handful of fire, and no more. The back door to this room was fastened and barred, and to all appearances every thing was safe. Mr. Davis then retired. About a quarter to 12 o'clock, Mr. Allen, the brother of one of the proprietors, came in and went to bed, but he had only been there some twenty or thirty minutes, when he aroused Mr. Davis and told him that the house was on fire. Mr. D. at first doubted this statement, but finding the room rapidly filling with smoke, he got up, and in his night clothes, hastened out to see from whence the smoke proceeded. On getting down stairs he found that the rear rooms, in which deposited a large number of empty tobacco cases, hogsheads and other combustible matter, were in a light blaze. Mr. D. finding that any effort of his to subdue the flames would be unavailing, attempted to ascend the stairway to his room to secure his clothing, but found that all ingress had been cut off by the smoke and flames, and he was therefore compelled to retreat to the street.

In the same room in which Mr. Davis slept were four negroes, three of whom saved their lives by jumping from the windows, but the fourth, David, from bewilderment and suffocation, perished, notwithstanding the efforts made to rescue him.

The two factories destroyed formed an L in their construction, that of Mr. Smith running back from 20th street eastward, the other running North and South. To make the destruction of both buildings certain, a more suitable place than the one selected could not have been found for communicating the fire.

Mr. Smith's loss, above his insurance, will doubtless amount to between two and three thousand dollars—that of Messrs. Goode & Allen to about the same.—That the conflagration was the work of an incendiary, there is not a shadow of a doubt, and we therefore hope that no effort will be spared to discover the perpetrator of the deed and bring him to justice.

CORONER'S INQUEST.—On Saturday morning last, Coroner Wicker assembled a jury of inquest to ascertain the cause of the burning of the tobacco factory that morning of Messrs. Goode & Allen, by which a negro boy named David, slave to Mrs. Martha Watkins, of Chesterfield, came to his death.

As we have not space to give the entire evidence before the jury, it may be proper for us to give a brief history of all that transpired. On Friday night last, a few minutes before the alarm of fire was given, two of the watchmen succeeded in arresting a negro fellow named Isaac Sims, the property of Williamson Allen, who was employed in the tobacco factory of Messrs. Goode & Allen, coming from the direction of the factory. Before reaching the cage, the alarm bells rang. The next morning, Isaac was disposed of by the Mayor and released, but as soon as Mr. Allen learned the particulars of his arrest, knowing him to possess a very bad character, he at once pronounced him the incendiary, and he was therefore taken into custody and carried before the Coroner, where he made a variety of statements, all very contradictory, and most of them false, as were shewn on the examination of witnesses. Isaac stated, that after procuring a snack at a house on Cary street, between 17th and 18th, he went into a cellar occupied by a negro named John, in the service of Ro. A. Mayo, where he eat it, and then in company with John, took a walk up the Valley, stopping at several places. At a late hour, he started for his lodging place, near the Union Hotel, and in coming down 18th street, discovered two men, whom he supposed to be watchmen. Knowing that his pass was out of date, he eluded them, and taking another direction, met with the officers who captured and caged him.

Witnesses were then called to learn how far the statements made by Isaac were true. John denied most positively that he walked up the Valley with Isaac, or that he was away from his home after 8 o'clock at night.

The examination was commenced at half past 11 o'clock Saturday morning, and lasted until 4 o'clock P. M., when it was adjourned until half past 7 o'clock, for other witnesses, and one of the deputy constables despatched to summons them. At the appointed hour, the examination was resumed and continued until half past 11 o'clock, when it was necessarily adjourned over until half past 9 o'clock yesterday morning, the deputy constable failing to re-appear before the jury to give information as to the result of his efforts to obey the commands of the Constable.

The examination was resumed yesterday morning, and continued until 12 o'clock, M., when the jury rendered as their verdict, that the factory was set on fire by some person or persons unknown, and that the negro boy David, came to his death by suffocation and burning in it.

We take pleasure in awarding to Coroner Wicker all praise for the efforts made by him to discover the incendiary, and to the jury for the patient hearing they gave to the number of witnesses who were heard in the cause. The subject is one that involves the interest of our entire community, and we sincerely hope that some circumstance may yet lead to the discovery of the guilty party.

ESCAPED FROM PRISON.—Isaac Sims, the negro fellow who was arrested and caged last Saturday, on suspicion of having set fire to the factory of Messrs. Goode & Allen, effected his escape from prison yesterday morning, in a very easy manner. On the night before, an old negro man was arrested for some offence and placed in the cell with Isaac. Sunday morning, while the Mayor was holding his Court in the cage, the door of the lock-up was opened by the officer to bring out the old fellow for a hearing, and not knowing that Isaac was confined in the same place, it was not fastened again. After all had become quiet, Isaac slipped from his hiding place, made into the street, and calling upon his feet to help him, gave "leg bail" for his appearance, so that when the Coroner appeared to continue the examination begun the day before, he found that his black bird had escaped from his cage, and was nowhere to be seen.

DEATH OF TALLY-HO.—This celebrated race horse, whose reputation is world-renowned, died at Fairfield, on Friday last, after a short illness. On Thursday he was apparently enjoying excellent health, and his owners entertained the hope that he would live to a good old age. That night he was fed on *green corn!* of which he eat hearty, and when his groom got to him next morning he was found to be in a helpless and incurable condition. Every effort was made to relieve his sufferings, but without avail—he died that evening. Tally-ho was one of the best sons of old Boston, and his celebrated race on the Union Course, Long Island, gave him a reputation and a name, that will endure for years. His loss is a serious one to his owners, Messrs. Macon & Tally, and to raisers of blooded horses in Eastern Virginia.

We are indebted to Mr. AUGUSTUS HANCOCK, of Chesterfield, for a specimen of very fine *white Mercer Potatoes* grown on his farm. Mr. H., by his demonstrations at the late Fair, proved that he was one of those skilful and improving Farmers of the day, who are helping to lift up Old Virginia to the position she ought to occupy among the States of the Union.

WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION.—The frequent complaints made to the Mayor of the city of ordinance violations by negro wagon drivers, and the little regard that these creatures pay to the fines and penalties continually imposed upon their hirers, is a subject worthy of consideration by all who hire servants for any purpose, but particularly to teamsters. To those unacquainted with the matter, the inquiry naturally presents itself, why do not these gentlemen instead of submitting to heavy fines day after day, without a murmur, hand the offenders over to the officers of the law for punishment? We answer for them—because they are afraid to do so. They are the defendants—not the negroes—and knowing that if they adopt such a course, the negroes will agree to live with them no longer, they submit to the imposition without complaint. And why is this? Because the owners of negroes, instead of procuring homes for them where they will be well treated and made to obey, permit their servants to find their own homes and masters, whether suitable or not, and thereby place the hirers at the mercy of the hirees, by pursuing such a course. To this cause, and to this alone, is attributable the immorality and insubordination of negro slaves, and if the owners have not the independence to pursue a different course, we earnestly trust that the hirers of negroes will combine together before the first of January next, and resolve to hire no slaves, for any purpose, whose masters permit them to seek their own homes. Tobacconists and others could easily effect such an arrangement; and by doing so, they will not only benefit themselves but the entire community.

BOUND OVER.—Magdalene Brenner was brought before the Mayor, last Saturday, to answer to the charge of assaulting Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, and the evidence proving most conclusive the guilt of the accused, the Mayor thought it was necessary to require security for the good behavior of the prisoner, which was given, and the party dismissed.—Peace warrants, on the part of females, are of everyday occurrence, and often procured on very flimsy pretexts; but when an assault is committed, or the public peace endangered, the Mayor never fails to give them due consideration.

ACCIDENT.—A gentleman was thrown from his horse at the corner of Governor and Main streets, about 11 o'clock yesterday morning, and had his right hip, shoulder and cheek very badly bruised. He was taken to a physician near by who gave him the necessary medical aid for such injuries. That he was not killed on the spot is the most remarkable thing we ever saw. We understand that his name is Jones, and that he resides in the neighborhood of Bacon Quarter Branch, to which place he was taken in a carriage.