



THE FAMOUS EXCHANGE AND BALLARD HOTELS.

A FAMOUS HOTEL IS TO BE SOLD

Exchange Will Be Put Up at Auction Tuesday.

IT HAS A PROUD HISTORY.

From the Time it Was Opened in 1841 Up to a Few Years Ago It Was a Famous Stopping Place.

The Exchange Hotel, with all its departed glory is to be sold at public auction at noon Tuesday.

There is perhaps no hotel in the country that has sheltered more distinguished people than the Exchange.

The history of this hotel is inseparably connected with that of the city.

For years the Exchange and Ballard Hotels were regarded as one of the three most famous stopping places in this country.

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A CONFEDERATE HOSPITAL.

During the war for the Exchange Hotel was closed and the Exchange was used for a Confederate hospital.

The Exchange is still the property of the estate of the late W. A. Stuart and E. O. Nottling.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

Perhaps no hotel in this country has entertained a larger number of distinguished guests than the Exchange.

THE MEYER STORES WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY TUESDAY, JULY 4TH.

FINAL FATE OF THE GAS WORKS

Curiosity as to What Will Be Done With Them.

DO THEY PAY OR DO THEY NOT?

A Diversity of Opinion on the Subject. Will They Be Renovated, Patched Up or Sold Outright.

The City Gas Works have been brought prominently before the public a number of times in the last year.

The representatives of the West-End of the city are anxious to see any sum to be expended on the gas works.

It is now said that some of the Council will desire to do nothing.

There has been a controversy in progress for some time as to whether the gas works is a paying institution.

As with the other kind, an effort was made some time ago to purchase the gas works.

There have been addresses lately that the matter is not dead, but sleeping.

Those who were in charge of the improvement have been very successful.

Whether the gas works will be renovated, patched up or sold, remains to be seen.

THE CHURCHES TO-DAY.

Pastors Who Will Preach and Subjects of Their Discourses.

Dr. Witherspoon, pastor of Grace Street Presbyterian church will take for his subject this morning "Looking Into Jesus."

The pulpit at St. Paul's church will be filled to-day by Rev. W. Dudley Powers, D. D., of New York.

There will be three services at the Soldiers' Home to-day.

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VERY IMPORTANT SESSION.

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HYGEIA HOTEL Old Point Comfort, Va. Exhilarating Ocean Breezes. Sailing, Fishing, Music, Dancing, etc. UNSURPASSED SURF BATHING. FINE GOLF LINKS. The Hygeia is situated within a few feet of the water's edge, and so constructed that it is open to the sea breezes, rendering it cool and comfortable at all times.

THE BUSY BRAINS OF INVENTORS. An improved automatic slip for bicycle pedals has been patented by E. G. Leigh, Jr. A Frenchman has designed a new ship which has circular floats mounted in pairs on shafts running across the boat with wheels arranged around the rim of the floats to act on the water and tread the boat. A new bicycle support is formed of an improved metal, which has the front and rear plates pivoted at the outer end of the shaft, to tip down until the end piece engages the side of the shaft, hinged fingers being attached to the outer ends of the plates, to reach the ground and support the wheel.