

Spirit of Jefferson.

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DEMOCRATIC & CONSERVATIVE
State Ticket.

FOR GOVERNOR,
JOHN J. JACOB, of Hampshire County.
FOR SUPREME JUDGE,
C. P. T. MOORE, of Mason County.
FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL,
E. A. BENNETT, of Marion County.
FOR TREASURER,
JOSEPH SPRIGGS, of Hardy County.
FOR SECRETARY OF STATE,
JNO. S. BURDETTE, of Kanawha County.
FOR COMMISSIONER OF LANDS,
JOHN M. PHELPS, of Mason County.

REGISTRATION!

In consequence of unforeseen circumstances, the registration office will not be open in this place to-day, as stated in our last, but we have been authorized to say that Mr. E. J. Williams, the Registrar for this township, will open the books for registration TO-MORROW, at the hour adjoining the hardware store of Mr. J. S. Law, Hoof. We fear that many of our citizens have not been fully aroused to the importance of this matter, but, have gone on in the old demerol style, which, if continued in, will permit another election to go by default, and our political fetters to be drawn another notch tighter. The Radical party of this county is the most corrupt and vicious political band of men ever associated together in a common cause of oppression and tyranny, and do not mean to allow one opportunity for the accomplishment of their petty party ends to go by unimproved, but will stoop to the lowest depths of political infamy to retain the power now in their possession. Beware then, Democrats and Conservatives of Jefferson! Remember that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," and never cease your labors until every freeman white citizen of this Commonwealth is at least placed on a level with the untutored African, or the carpet-bagger from abroad.

Register, and Vote!

COST OF OUR ROAD.

From the last number of the Berkeley Union we make the following extract:—
Now, we hear the average cost per mile of that road will be \$34,000 (this is hear say), and we are also told that the Martinsburg and Winchester route will cost \$23,000 per mile, including depot buildings, switches, &c. These figures certainly show where the money is to be saved. Still, we are not jealous of our Jefferson neighbors, only we don't want them to throw stones at our road.

This is a fine misrepresentation of facts.

We stated last week, in our correction of the remarks of Mr. Doteler, as published in the Register, (and we have an idea that the editors of the Union saw the article,) that the statement that "the first mile from the river would cost \$57,000, must be undoubtedly a typographical error of the Register, as we are assured by competent authority that \$57,000 is about \$10,000 in excess of the actual estimated cost."

In the last number of the Register, Mr. Doteler authorizes the correction of the statement himself, as will be seen by the following from that paper:—

Mr. Doteler desires us to correct the statement, in our report of his speech upon the occasion of the serenades to him, last week, that the first mile of our Railroad from this place Southwest, will cost \$57,000; the actual estimate for it being only \$17,000, and \$107,000 for the cost of construction across the country, irrespective of the rails.

How about your cheap road now?

NO REGISTRATION IN AVERILL.

The registration books, we understand, have not been opened in Averill township. A man by the name of Lewis was appointed registrar for that township but he is unknown in that section, (probably a carpet-bagger), and has not been heard of. This is another of the mean, low, contemptible and high-headed tricks of the Radical party in this county, and if there is any law to cover the case, and we think there is, our friends in that locality should not permit such acts to go unpunished. But in the event that this scheme is carried out, and no registration takes place in Averill, we would urge upon the Democrats and Conservatives of that township not to permit the election to go by default, but let every man who is entitled to vote appear before the County Board of Registration at its next meeting, and see that his name is put upon the books.

MORE RASCALITY.

Mr. J. V. Underdunk, one of the registrars at Shepherdstown, we understand, refused registration to two negroes who have announced their intention to vote the Conservative ticket, and with no other palpable reason than for the announcement of Conservative principles. Thus we have in our own midst an example of what is occurring daily all over the country. As long as the negro is willing to remain the pliant tool of these dirty dogs, and stand as the stone upon which they may assert his all well and good; but the moment he asserts his right to vote whatever ticket he may choose, then he, as well as the white man, is proscribed and disfranchised. But there is a remedy, and we expect to see it applied.

Lately, a cargo of savage negroes, from Haiti, were landed at New Orleans.

Under the new naturalization law they can all become citizens and vote, while the most intelligent citizens are debarred this privilege.

These imported citizens worship gods and other intelligent animals.

Accounts from North Carolina make certain the complete success of the Conservative Democratic party in that State. It will have perhaps two-thirds of the Legislature and five of the seven members of Congress.

SHEENADOAH VALLEY R. R.

For the past few days the newspaper opponents of the Shenandoah Valley Railroad, disheartened and enraged at its unparalleled success, have been snarling and growling like a pack of hungry curs, and some have even gone so far as to persecute actual facts. As it is altogether useless for us to pen a reply to every little squib emanating from these restless croakers, we will simply lay before our readers a letter from Geo. H. Bardwell, Esq., Director and Agent of the Shenandoah Valley Railroad Company, and an extract from a letter of P. B. Bort, Esq., its President, which are sufficiently plain and practical as to satisfy the mind of any sane man in this country, and bid all croaking cease forever.

And now, northern-routers, go on and build your road, if you can, and we will not lay a straw in your path, nor ask you where you got your money, if you but build a road.

We have no animosity whatever against your road, but on the contrary, bid you God-speed.

The more the merrier. The following is the letter of Geo. H. Bardwell, Esq.:

PHILADELPHIA, August 2, 1870.

James A. Patterson, Esq., Waynesboro, Va.:

DEAR SIR:—In my three months' itinerant sojourn in the State of Virginia, Superintendent of the Shenandoah Valley Railroad, as an individual, and representative of the Company, I was met everywhere, without exception, with uniform kindness and attention. In appreciation of which, my Company has labored ceaselessly to merit such confidence, by placing our road immediately under contract and open up that neglected though most beautiful and wealthy portion of Virginia.

In four months and eight days from the commencement of Survey, our road, from the Potomac to the Roanoke, is in the hands of able and competent Contractors, at so much per yard, for each classification, of Earth, Rock and Masonry. Is it impossible then, (as our opponents ignorantly, or unfairly assert) to let work upon such terms? Verily, they are as far behind the age in this, as their old State is behind other States in Railroad improvements for the development of her hidden and material wealth.

Our route follows the water courses with remarkably low grades and very cheap of construction. We have selected this route with this view only, believing that the people of that great Valley would rise above local and selfish considerations and cheerfully aid us in our undertaking. We have no individual interests to subserve, and no Plantations, Farms, Towns, or Cities to run by the way of, for the gratification of the selfish and powerful few. With four years surveying, waiting, trusting and hoping, I wonder not that the people would be so ready to disbelieve. By our prompt and energetic efforts, you shall believe in and trust the Shenandoah Valley Railroad Company, and, perhaps, the more intelligent and thoughtful of your people, will give the S. V. R. R., the credit of having, by their activity, placed coals of fire on the back of that slow land turtle, (the Baltimore & Ohio R. R.), that would for four (4) long years more, have "held the word of promise" in your ears, but to break it to your hopes.

We are not standing in the way of the completion of the Valley Railroad. They have had four years the start of us, and have only now begun to scratch dust in the eyes of the people, by saying, we have no financial status; no ability to perform, and no intention to do further, than, by a mere show, to defeat their scheme. We can and will build our road, with branches into Harrisonburg, Staunton and Lexington, which will benefit those towns far more than their elevated locations permitted a feasible and cheap line to be run into and through them. The good people of those towns cannot regret more than we that such obstacles intervene.

We are not standing in the way of the Valley Road and never have asked "where their money was to come from" to build with, or, (in my opinion) impertinent questions, calculated to shake the confidence of a generous people, in a supposed rival. The great Pennsylvania Central Railroad of Pa. have sufficient surplus funds on hand now to build this road clear through to the Gulf, and have no necessity to go to London for a \$4,000,000 Sterling loan, which would cost them more "real estate" at home. There is enough for each and all, in external and hidden wealth in that great Valley. Chord, parallel, angle and right-angle it through with roads, let Virginia build and have built, within her borders, all the roads she can, for fifty years to come, and she will be far behind many of the younger sisterhood of States, in facilities for the development of the vast wealth within her borders, which capitalists will now not seek the development of, for the very reason of such lack of Railroad improvements.

Individual subscriptions are more easily obtained and void of all personal or local feeling, satisfactory and preferable; and had I the influence would say to all; Subscribe, give to each and all of the projected roads.

You will grow rich by giving, even to the half the value of the Mississippi, the Gulf and Atlantic States on the South and East; all to be brought by the great national highway, gathering up the wealth of the Valley of Virginia in her Train, and we will not compel you to stop at any particular City, but you may ride, and ship and transport with a choice of markets to the Nations, Centres of Manufacture and Commerce and Capital, without break of bulk or gauge, even to the northernmost cities of the Atlantic Seaboard.

Yours Respectfully,

GEORGE H. BARDWELL,
Director and Agent S. V. R. R. Co.

Extracts from a letter of P. B. Bort, Esq., President of the Shenandoah Valley R. R. to J. D. Craig, Esq., Augusta county, dated July 29, 1870, at Luray, Virginia:

"The entire line of our road has been surveyed, and maps, profiles, and estimates of work have been made and completed. All of these were exhibited to contractors for inspection in Philadelphia, by Gen. Wright, Chief Engineer of the S. V. R. R., until July 21, 1870, at which time the entire road from Shepherdstown, on the Potomac river, to Va. and Tennessee Railroad, at or near Salem, Roanoke Co., Va., was contracted for by the Central Improvement Company, of Pennsylvania, composed of the best, most wealthy and reliable railroad men in Pennsylvania—such as Thos. Scott, Vice-President and acting President of the Pennsylvania Central Railroad Company, the Collins Brothers, four in number, John Milnes, John R. McGovern and hosts of others.

We have ample means to construct our low grade road, composed of the following items:

T. Scott, Collins Bros. & Co.	\$2,000,000
Jefferson county subscription	250,000
Roanoke county subscription	400,000
Page county and private subscriptions	400,000
ATTRACTION	
Clarke county	100,000
Rockingham county, private	50,000
Rockbridge county	400,000
Harrisonburg	200,000
Roanoke	100,000
Total	\$3,150,000
Length of Shenandoah Valley Railroad, 223 miles.	
Contract, \$25,000 per mile complete.	
Amounting to	\$5,575,000
Various Subscriptions	3,500,000
Total	\$9,075,000

It will be seen by examining the above figures that if we obtain the contemplated county subscriptions, the bonded debt of the Company will be \$4,047,000 which bonds are to be taken by the Contractors for the construction of the S. V. R. R., as fast as the work is completed on each mile. If we fail to receive the anticipated county subscriptions, then, in that event, we will be compelled to increase the bonded debt of the Company to the extent of such failures. Our contract, I consider a good and an advantageous one for the S. V. R. R., and insures the construction of our road in two years.

THE VALLEY RAILROAD.

A barbecue was held on Saturday, the 30th of July, at the Fair Ground near Staunton, in furtherance of the proposed subscription of \$300,000 toward constructing the Valley railroad. Fully 4,000 persons were present, one-third of them ladies. Speeches were made by Gov. Letcher, Col. Hunter, Maj. Sutherland, Judge Sheffey, And. Hunter, Esq., General Echols, Hon. John T. Harris, Maj. Dorman and others. Letters were read from General Jubal A. Early, Commodore Maury, John W. Garrett and Robert E. Lee, favoring the work. The following letter from General Lee, consenting to become president of the road, was received with great enthusiasm:

WASHINGTON COLLEGE, LEXINGTON, Va., July 28, 1870.

To Colonel M. G. Hays, Judge H. W. S. Stryker, Col. John B. Baldwin, Hon. A. H. Stuart, Thomas J. Michie, Esq., and others:

GENTLEMEN:—Your favor of July 25th has been received. In response to your kindness in urging me to accept the presidency of the Valley Railroad and to your request that if agreeable I should signify my willingness to do so, I have to say that, though I have no desire for the office, and would much prefer that it should be conferred on some other gentleman, yet so important do I regard this work to the interests to the Valley and of the whole State that when the company is fully organized if they desire my services as president, and think proper to make such arrangements as may render my acceptance of the position not incompatible with my present duties, I shall be willing to accept the control of the road, and to use what energy and ability I may possess in furthering the speedy completion of the work.

I have been for the last day or two under medical treatment, which will render it out of my power to be with you in Staunton on Saturday. I regret being thus prevented from testifying by my presence my interests in the success of the Valley Railroad. I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

R. E. LEE.

HAVE YOU DONE NOTHING MORE IN BEHALF OF THE REBELLION, THAN TO FURNISH YOUR SON OR BROTHER FOOD AND CLOTHING?

Then you are entitled to vote, and should see that your name is registered to-morrow.

There are distinct signs that the Radical faction is apprehensive of extensive defeat in the Congressional elections this fall. In the first place an unprecedented demand for money has been made upon the employees in the Departments. One of the Secretaries (Mr. Mox, of the Interior) has had the manliness to denounce publicly this piece of high-way robbery in fitting terms. It is understood that the money thus levied by order of the Republican Central Committee is to go directly to Radical candidates in doubtful districts—that is to say, the greenbacks wrong from the half-staying clerks are to be appropriated to pay the candidates' personal expenses in the canvass.

REGISTER TO-MORROW!

WIVES AND MOTHERS—Only woman knows what woman endure; and if there be any means of assuaging the distress of body and mind which so many thousands experience, day after day and week after week, with a fortitude which puts to shame the boastful courage of man, who will deny that so great a blessing to the sex should be found in every household?

Millions of men have been benefited by its use, and among the feeble and sickly of the opposite gender, who, perhaps, need it most; its virtues are not so widely known. This foremost remedy of the age—this specific for every species of debility, general or local constitutional or casual, is PLANTATION BITTERS.

One right of woman, at least, will be conceded—the right of strengthening herself to sustain the ills of which the laws of nature have made her the unfortunate heir.

The acknowledged healthfulness, unrivaled flavor, delicate convenience, and extraordinary cheapness of SEA MOSK FINE, will always keep it the foremost place among articles intended for a table-dress.

DO YOU VALUE LIBERTY?

Then REGISTER TO-MORROW, and cast your vote this fall against the tyrannical party in power in this State.

\$5,000 Reward, is offered by the proprietor of Dr. Pierce's Alt. Exr., of Golden Medical Discovery, for a medicine that will cure the cure of all severe lingering Coughs, Indigestion or Dyspepsia, "Liver Complaint" or Bilelessness, and all diseases arising from impurity of the blood, as Eruptions, Pimples, Blotches and Boils. Sold by druggists.

Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy is no patent medicine humbug.

A fearful accident occurred on Saturday night last, on the Shenandoah and Ohio Railroad, the train that left at 10:15 P. M. The rear car from the rear coach was thrown down an embankment one hundred feet high, and shattered to pieces. Twelve persons were killed outright and twenty wounded. Major Paxton and son, of Lexington, Va., were mortally wounded. There were about forty persons on the train.

Edmund Randolph Woodson, a young man about eighteen years of age, son of John C. Woodson, Esq., of Harrisonburg, Va., was accidentally shot and instantly killed on the 28th ultimo, by a young lady of Rockingham county.

Don't fail to REGISTER.

THE WAR IN EUROPE.

From the condensed news column of the Baltimore Gazette, we make up the following summary:—

TUESDAY'S NEWS.

The Elbe, below Hamburg, is to be obstructed by ships laden with stone, should the French fleet attempt to ascend it.

King William left Berlin for the front on Sunday afternoon. The Queen, with multitudes of enthusiastic people, attend him to the railway station.

The French Government has ordered that no person of whatever nationality shall be permitted to enter or leave France without a passport.

In the House of Lords, yesterday a bill to empower the Government to call out the militia was introduced. The billment bill was passed and the Education bill read a third time.

A Marseilles journal has been fired for an offense against the Emperor and his chief editor fined and imprisoned for an article tending to excite insubordination among the troops. The Government of Italy having guaranteed the preservation of order in Rome, the French troops have evacuated the city.

WEDNESDAY'S NEWS.

Orders have been issued for the active recruiting of the English marine service. It is said that but for the arrival of the French fleet in the Baltic the Prussians would have advanced directly upon Paris.

Continual skirmishing in a small way was going on along the Rhine, the object being, it is supposed, to ascertain the troops to the right and fire of the enemy.

Denmark and Sweden are said to be in entire accord on the subject of the great war.

It is reported that since he has been with the army the Emperor keeps one telegraph busy with correspondence with the Empress.

A despatch from Paris gives the official announcement of a serious engagement with the Prussians. The attack was made by the French army, who invaded the territory of Prussia, and, according to the account, were completely successful. The Emperor was present, accompanied by the Prince Imperial, who received on this, the first battle-field, "his baptism of fire."

On the departure of King William from Berlin is described as having been most extraordinary. The people seemed to be frenzied with enthusiasm. The entire Court, ladies and all, mingled with the crowd, participated in its emotion and bade the King "good bye" with every demonstration of loyalty and devotion.

In the House of Commons Mr. Gladstone, in reply to a question, said that he was unable to submit the correspondence of the late Lord Clarendon, urging disarmament; it was inexpedient even to repeat its purport. It was remarked that further remonstrance on the part of England now can only exasperate both Powers, and the only course is to seek a safe opportunity for renewed efforts in favor of peace. The treaty and question of the neutrality of Belgium and Luxembourg were presented. The Greek question was referred to, and a question answered as to the description of arms used by the British regulars.

A discussion then arose on the proposition to increase the regular army by 20,000 men and its importance, in view of the weakness of the country, urgently pressed.

The House of Commons will make no engagements with other Powers regarding the preservation of her neutrality.

The French troops from Rome are arriving at Marseilles.

It is said that the Italian army will enter Rome as soon as the French withdraw, on the plea of protection. Its strength is to be increased to 120,000 men.

THURSDAY'S NEWS.

A despatch from London of yesterday confirms the account of the capture of Saarbrücken by the French. There is some contradiction in the several accounts received as to the affair, but there seems to be no doubt about the main fact, viz: the capture of the place.

Fuller French accounts have been received of the capture of Saarbrücken, with a telegram from the Emperor, who is as different as possible, it will be seen, from the Prussian statement. It was evidently a small affair at most, yet Metz was illuminated and the Emperor made thanksgiving in the chapel of Notre Dame de Victoire.

The French exploit at Saarbrücken is regarded in Amsterdam as a coup de theatre and not military success.

The Prussian account of the affair at Saarbrücken is that a small detachment of their troops stationed at the point was attacked by three divisions of French, and that the Prussians fell back on their supports after a sharp action, with trifling loss.

There is much feeling manifested in England on account of what is called Mr. Gladstone's economical sentimental shrinking from war policy, and a strong pressure is being made upon him to adopt more prompt and decided measures.

It is now said the Prussian army is ready to take the offensive and to carry the war into France. The King made an eloquent and stirring proclamation to the army on assuming the command.

At a very early hour this morning a despatch from London reports that fighting had been kept up all along the frontier since Monday last. The French are said to have been driven out of Weissenburg on Saturday. The successful attack upon Saarbrücken was made by the French with the Second Corps, which afterwards fell back. The loss was light on both sides. Another forward movement will be attempted immediately.

Further and very late despatches make still larger claims for the victory at Saarbrücken. Three thousand Prussian prisoners are said to have been taken.

FRIDAY'S NEWS.

A later Prussian account of the fight at Saarbrücken puts down their loss at two officers and seventy-nine men. The French loss appeared to be more serious.

It is rumored that the grand forward movement is fixed for Saturday next. A Prussian force has advanced across the frontier, driving the French posts before them and destroying miles of the railroad between Luxembourg and Strasbourg. The French loss was heavy, including many prisoners.

The Belgian Government, it is said, accept the first satisfactory offer for the performance of mail service between Antwerp and New York in place of that lately performed by the North German Lloyd.

The sympathy with France continues very great in Denmark, and it is a hard struggle with the Government to preserve its neutrality.

It was stated in the House of Lords last night that the full details of what had taken place concerning the recent negotiations were nearly ready to be submitted to the House, when the Government would be prepared for debate. The Clerical Disabilities bill was passed, and one for the organization of the militia forces of the country was presented and read the first time.

Is the House of Commons notice was given of a question in regard to Belgium.

SATURDAY'S NEWS.
An unofficial report from Paris is to the effect that the French army has been taken by the French after a great battle.

The French account of the battle of Weissenburg has been received. It goes into little detail, but does not differ materially from the reports heretofore received. General Douay was killed. General McMahon is concentrating his forces at Pigeonier.

Five hundred of the French prisoners taken at Weissenburg have arrived at Frankfurt. Eight hundred was the total number captured, among them eighteen officers.

The report that Saarbrücken has been taken turns out to be false. There has been no fighting there.

The Prussian account of the battle at Weissenburg describes it as a brilliant, but bloody victory, in which a division of French troops were completely defeated. The losses are spoken of as being heavy, but no details are given.

Further particulars are given of the fight at Saarbrücken. The reported French force is stated at 30,000; that of the Prussians 6,000. A German three-masted schooner has been captured by a French cruiser, and taken into Brest.

From London it is reported that the invasion of Belgium will be regarded by England as a *coup de bell*.

All efforts on the part of the Court of Rome have failed to prevent the withdrawal of the French troops, and the last detachment was to leave Civita Vecchia yesterday.

The new French Ambassador to Turkey has been warmly received by the Sultan, who expressed strong sympathy for France.

MONDAY'S NEWS.

Great demonstrations of enthusiasm had taken place in Paris in consequence of favorable reports from the frontier, and further accounts were looked for with avidity.

There were reports that the French soldiers had "fought like lions"; that 7,000 Prussians were killed, wounded and missing, and that one of their regiments was "out to pieces."

The General Douay killed at Weissenburg was not the General of Division, but a General of the same name commanding infantry.

Numbers of French prisoners of war continue to arrive at Berlin and elsewhere. The Prussians say that they will prove by their treatment of them that, though they are captives, they are no longer enemies.

Russia, it is said, strongly urges the maintenance of the neutrality of Belgium. Antwerp is being put into a complete state of defense at the last despatch possible.

Prince Royal Frederick William has issued a brief but stirring address to the soldiers of Prussia, Wurttemberg and Baden, united under his command.

The most intense enthusiasm continues to prevail throughout Germany. On his journey to the army the King was everywhere received with tears and shouts. In the cities of the Confederation crowds assembled in the streets to hear the war news and to make demonstrations of loyalty.

An address has been sent to Mr. Gladstone urging the English Government to preserve its policy of neutrality.

The accounts received of the French success at Weissenburg created the greatest enthusiasm among the people at Paris. Enormous crowds filled the streets and singing patriotic songs. The cafes were filled to overflowing.

The Prussian army began its advance from Saarbrücken and treves on Friday, the 5th, and on the next day, after taking Sierck, attacked the French at Thionville. The Crown Prince at the same time moved in the direction of Metz and participated in the advance movement of the whole German line on Saturday, which seems to have resulted in the defeat of the French at all points.

On Saturday night the Crown Prince telegraphed to Berlin from the field of battle, near Worth, that he had totally beaten McMahon, who had retired upon Bitcher.

The Prussian account states that General McMahon's loss, besides killed and wounded, was 4,000 prisoners, 30 cannons and 6 mitrailleurs and two eagles. His loss of officers was great. Both sides suffered heavily.

An editorial in the Gazette, in regard to the battle of Hagenau, concludes as follows: "The war has evidently commenced in good earnest. It will probably be a most bloody one, and possibly a comparatively long one. We say comparatively, because with the present perfection of deadly weapons, and the improvement in facilities of communication, it is impossible that as long even as the wars of the middle ages, it will continue. Until other very important engagements have been fought we shall have some, for some days, after each skirmish or battle, contradictory accounts from the opposing armies. We must take for the present everything we receive with considerable allowance, and wait patiently for trustworthy details, which are sure to come, as soon as they reach London, with telegraphic rapidity."

That the Prussians have gained important victories, there is no doubt. It remains to be seen what advantages they will take of them, now that they occupy French territory.

The gravity of the situation is still further deepened by the manifesto put forth by the Emperor and counter-signed by the principal officers of State. The French Chambers are to be convoked; the defenses of Paris strengthened with all possible haste, and the city itself is declared to be in a state of siege.

MARRIED.

On the 3d inst., in Shepherdstown, at the Parsonage of the M. E. Church, South, by Rev. W. G. Cross, Mr. MASON E. YOUNG to Miss MOLLIE SHEETZ, both of this town.

On the 26th of May, by Rev. J. A. McFadden, Mr. ELIUB HUGHES and Miss SARAH HINDERKICH—all of this county.

By the same, Mr. RUDOLPH ROW to Miss ANSELIA MYLUS—both of this county.

By the same, on the Bridge at Harper's Ferry, Mr. WINTERTON D. POE and Miss SARAH W. BRATY—both of Rockingham county, Va.

On the 28th of July, at the same place, by the same, Mr. JONAS D. SCHOLEY and Miss MOLLIE A. HOLLINGSWORTH—both of Loudoun county, Va.

On the 3d inst., by Rev. P. H. Thomas, CHARLES ENTZY to Miss CATHERINE SEWELL—both of Berkeley county.

DIED.

On the 29th of July, at the residence of Mrs. Job Throckmorton, of Berkeley county, Mrs. MARY LEE, an infirm aged woman.

At his residence, "Valley View," in this county, on the 31st ult., Mr. JOSHUA CLIPP, in his 73rd year of age. He was well known and highly respected.

Near Unionville, on the 30th of June, 1870, LILLIE BEALL, infant daughter of George W. and Annie C. Jones, aged 1 year, 7 months and 7 days.

On the 26th ult., in Berkeley county, IDA VIRGINIA, daughter of W. H. Taylor, in the 7th year of age.

On the 17th ult., in Martinsburg, IDA LEE, daughter of Cyrus and Catharine Moore, aged 1 year and 4 months.

On Thursday last, in this county, FRANK LIND, son of Richard A. and Ann V. Hoseney, aged 1 year, 11 months and 29 days.

At his residence near Middlebury, on Thursday night last, after a lingering illness, of Consumption, Mr. JOHN W. PACKETT, aged about 59 years.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Shaking slowly.
Diseases that progress rapidly to a crisis are not the only ones to be dreaded. Cancer or stroke of light, but unless arrested, is destined to be certain; and in like manner chronic debility, although it does not kill with the violence of the former, is sure to sap the springs of life eventually as the acute disease, if not checked by invigorating medicine. There is something especially touching in the spectacle of premature decay. Languor, pallor, emaciation, depression of spirits, and a disinclination for exertion, are the ordinary symptoms, and they should be promptly met by tonic treatment. The best invigorant and exhilarant that can be administered in a case of this kind is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. The stimulating principle of this preparation restores the dormant energies of the system, and the strengthening and regulating properties give a permanent and healthful impulse to the vital forces thus brought into action. The falling appetite is reawakened, the process of digestion and assimilation are quickened, the quality of the blood is improved, the secretions become more natural, and every organ that contributes to the nourishment of the body undergoes salutary change. By these means the roots of the physical structure is effected and its health and vigor restored. In no class of diseases has the beneficent operation of the Bitters been more marked and striking than in those characterized by general debility and nervous prostration. Ladies afflicted with these ailments find in this most wholesome of all tonics and correctives the safest and surest means of relief. It is strong to restore and powerful to invigorate. Such is the uniform testimony of "clouds of witnesses." Aug. 2.

A WONDERFUL MICROSCOPE.

Spirit of Jefferson.

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

HAVE YOU BEEN STRICKEN FROM THE BOOKS?

Then appear before the Board of Registration at its next meeting, and see that the law is enforced!

BOLD ATTEMPT AT ROBBERY.—On Tuesday night last the store of Messrs. Brown & Henderson, on the corner of Main and Lawrence streets, was entered by some parties as yet unknown, (they gaining entrance by the aid of a ladder through a window in the upper story, and thence by the aid of rope and pulleys through the trap-door to the store-room below), and a miscellaneous assortment of goods packed for removal; but luckily, their presence was discovered by Mr. Jacob Stary, and a shot fired at one of the thieves as he was about descending the ladder, by Mr. Charlie Stary, forced them to beat a hasty retreat.

Some articles left behind by these villains, it is hoped, will lead to their detection.—Our business men should be careful about leaving their store-rooms altogether unprotected at night.

CORNER-STONE LAYING AT BRUCETOWN.—According to previous appointment, the cornerstone of an Educational Institute was laid at Brucetown on Thursday last. A large number of the Masonic Fraternity were present, and several Sabbath Schools and the Martinsburg Band added to the interest of the occasion.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies at the corner-stone, the large assemblage repaired to a beautiful grove adjacent, where an abundant gratuitous entertainment had been prepared by the ladies, and which was keenly relished by all present.

After refreshing the inner mail at the beautiful tables, the assemblage was called to order, and pertinent and eloquent addresses delivered by Col. Arnett and Judge White, of Berryville, and Dr. Wm. J. Best, of Brucetown.

ARE YOU A CONSERVATIVE MAN?

Then talk to that boy of yours or your neighbor's—who was but twelve years old when the war broke out, but is twenty-one now—and see that he registers and votes!

A VALUABLE INVENTION.—A day or two since, by invitation of Maj. Jas. Law, Hooff, and accompanied by Mr. J. D. Brown, we enjoyed a pleasant ride to the farm of James M. Ransom, Esq., near Charlestown, for the purpose of witnessing the operations of a patent hay fork.

While there, the power of this new and valuable piece of machinery was exhibited to us in full operation, and we can but say that it is one of the most admirable inventions that we have ever seen. By its use a load of hay can be unloaded in a few minutes. Mr. Ransom intends trying it with his wheat.

Mr. John Shepherd is the agent for this machine.

REMEMBER: The books for registration will be open at Hooff's Building, Charlestown, TOMORROW.

THE VALLEY RAILROAD.—Vote of August 1st.—The vote which was taken in Augusta county on Saturday last, on the question of subscribing to the stock of the Valley Railroad to the amount of three hundred thousand dollars, was adverse to the subscription. A three-fifths majority of the entire number of votes cast was necessary to sanction the subscription, but it received only a majority of about two hundred and fifty votes.

VAN AMBURGH AND CO.'S MENAGERIE.—This colossal establishment gave an exhibition in Berryville on Friday last, and is universally pronounced to be the best menagerie that has visited the Valley for years. Their collection of birds and beasts is one of the largest and finest we have ever seen, and their entire equipment and outfit of the most gorgeous and magnificent character.

IF YOU ARE A VOTER, REGISTER!

PERSONAL.—During last week we enjoyed a visit from our old friend and former county man, John G. Ridenour, Esq., of Baltimore. Mr. Ridenour is at the head of the well-known Commission House of Ridenour, Janney & Co., No. 41, South Howard street, which has already acquired a popularity among our farmers which is indeed enviable.

SUBJECT ELECTION.—At a meeting of the congregation of the Presbyterian Church, of this place, on Saturday last, for the purpose of electing four additional Trustees for said church, the following gentlemen were chosen: J. E. Duke, John Burns, S. W. Wyson, and C. H. McCurdy.

RELIGIOUS.—The pulpit of the Presbyterian Church was ably filled on Sabbath last by Rev. Dr. Huntington, of Washington City. The Rev. A. C. Hopkins is still indisposed. The Rev. J. W. Ewan will not preach at Midway on Sunday, August 14th.

CHANGE OF OFFICERS.—Mr. E. M. Aisquith having resigned the position of Agent for the Valley Fire Insurance Company, of this place, Mr. J. E. Duke has been appointed in his stead. Office at the hardware store of McCurdy & Duke.

MORE FINE POTATOES.—The more they come the better they get. Mrs. John Kable will accept our thanks for a large mass of No. 1 Goodrich potatoes. Mrs. K. boasts of a most prolific yield from a small patch of ground, and the lot sent us are perfect beauties.

Fresh Eggs and Yellow Butter can always be had. Read the advertisement "Greatest Work of the Age," in this paper.

STUDY YOUR INTERESTS and read the advertisement "Greatest Work of the Age," in this paper.

HORRIBLE MURDER.

Midnight Assassination of a Well Known Citizen.

Benjamin Nathan, a prominent Broker, Killed in his own house—A Safe Robbery—Escape of the Assassin and Robber.

A terrible tragedy took place before daylight Friday morning, in the premises, No. 12 West Twenty-third St., directly opposite the Fifth Avenue Hotel, in one of the most public places in the city, the victim being the head of the household, the well-known broker, Benjamin Nathan. The circumstances connected with the affair, notwithstanding the efforts of the police thus far, are still enveloped in mystery. On Thursday Mr. Nathan, instead of joining his wife and the younger members of his family at their country seat at Morrisville, N. J., proceeded to their house in West Twenty-third St. A temporary bed, consisting of three mattresses and other clothing, had been made up in the reception room on the second floor. Soon after 11 P. M., Mr. Nathan, who was a man of very regular habits, retired to bed. His elder son, Frederick, who, with a younger brother, Washington, occupied rooms on the third floor, returned home about 11 P. M., calling at his father's room, and asked him if Washington had returned from camp, on some friends, saying left home early in the evening for that purpose. Mr. Nathan replied in the negative, and Frederick then bade him good night, and went to his room on the floor above. The other son, Washington, came in between 12 and 1, and, as was his custom, called at his father's room to bid him good night. He called to his father, and receiving no response, believed his father to be asleep, and went to his room, and to his own room on the floor above, adjoining that of his brother, and retired. The only person in the house besides Mr. Nathan and his sons were Mrs. Ann Kelley, the housekeeper, an elderly lady, and her son William, a man of 25 years. Mrs. Kelley slept on the fourth floor.

Yester day was an anniversary of the death of Mr. Benjamin Nathan's mother, and according to the precepts of the Jewish faith, Mr. Nathan and his sons intended in the morning to visit the Nineteenth St. Synagogue and commemorate the event by offering up prayers for the repose of her soul. It was for this purpose that Mr. Nathan remained in town, instead of joining his wife and family at Morrisville. Shortly before 6 A. M., Washington Nathan descended to his father's room to awaken him, thinking he had overslept himself, and to remind him that it was time to go to the Synagogue. On crossing the threshold of the room, the son was horrified to see his father lying on the floor in a pool of blood, and with the evidence of a fearful struggle around him. The son examined his father, found him to be dead, and then gave an alarm, arousing the other members of the household. He was soon joined by his brother, and together they left the house.

Seeking Officer John Mangum of the Twenty-ninth Precinct a short distance away, they called to him, and he immediately ran to them. On being told that a murder had been committed, the officer gave an alarm, and called to his aid another officer, and they began a search of the house. Just inside the front door, in the hallway, Officer Mangum found a ship carpenter's "dog," an iron instrument about 10 inches in length, half hammer, half pick. With this instrument, which could be used either as a hammer for mashing a lock, or as a "jimmy" to pry open a drawer, a terrible blow could be dealt any one who should attempt to interfere with the person wielding it. This weapon had been dropped, undoubtedly by the murderer in his flight. Officer Mangum examined it closely, and found spots of blood on it. These were found to be quite dry, showing that the attack on Mr. Nathan had been made with "several hours previously." Washington Nathan then recollected that when he came down stairs to give the alarm, he found the front hall door unlocked, although closed. Nevertheless, the house was thoroughly searched from garret to basement, but the murderers could not be found.

Strangely enough, although Mrs. Kelly slept on the same floor as the murdered man, and the most of the doors were open, she heard nothing of the affray, although it was evident that a desperate struggle had taken place. On visiting the room where Mr. Nathan lay, the officers found him lying just outside the door leading from the main room into a smaller office. He had on nothing but an under-shirt and a night-shirt. Both these garments were saturated with blood. The body also lay in a pool of blood, and the walls on either side of the doorway leading into the office were marked and bespattered with blood. The carpet, also, was soaked with blood. Evidently a desperate struggle had taken place before Mr. Nathan was overpowered and slain.

In one corner of the office mentioned was a small safe. This had been opened with a key obtained from the pantaloon pocket of the deceased. A tin box lay on the floor. The papers which had been contained were strewn over the floor, as also all the rest of the contents of the safe. The clothing of Mr. Nathan lay on the chairs where he had placed them the previous night. An examination of them showed that Mr. Nathan's watch and diamond studs had been stolen. It was evident that the deceased had been awakened by the noise made by the thief in rummaging the safe, and, springing from bed, had seized him. The thief, with the "dog" mentioned, had dealt him a number of blows on the hand and head, the latter crushing in the skull.—N. Y. Tribune.

FARMS FOR RENT.—The attention of farmers wishing to rent is called to the advertisements of Messrs. John B. Packett and Henry F. Schulz, in this paper. These are among the most desirable farms in the county, and should attract the attention of those wishing to rent.

CORRECTION.—In our notice of the organization of the Shepherdstown and Halltown Turnpike Company, last week, the name of Mr. Joseph L. Eichelberger should have been inserted as a Director, instead of Mr. Isaac Dost.

TOURNAMENT.—There will be a Tournament and Pic-Nic, held at Morgan's Spring, near Shepherdstown, on Saturday, August 27th. The public are cordially invited to attend.

TEACHER'S INSTITUTE.—Mr. Williams, the State Superintendent of Free Schools, has appointed an Institute to be held at Harper's Ferry on the 27th of September.

How many housewives are there who have experienced the difficulty of obtaining good vinegar. Read the advertisement of W. H. Bishop in this paper.

REGISTER, REGISTER!

TO VIRGINIA WEEPING.

(For the Spirit of Jefferson.)

Every man that dares his sword;
Every breast that swells his cry;
The one who low and sudden roars;
The other who in placid sigh
Is mingled with the saddest strain—
Virginia weeping for her slain!

Her mountain lifts its proud head still
Amid her groves and her woods;
Nor river flows nor spring rill
Reflects upon its breast one cloud:
Her Mother only weeps and sighs,
Lamenting in her cruel grief.

Her sons have fallen one by one,
And tyrants rule where heroes sleep.
The subject of her sons have gone,
And what is left her but to weep?
Had ever land such cause to mourn?
Was ever mother more forlorn?

Her Ashby—knight of deathless fame;
Her Stuart—born for her to strive;
Her Jackson—Christian Hero came,
And gave their lives that she might live!
And these and such as these have given
Their names to fame, their souls to Heaven!

O mother, then forbear to weep
Thy martyred sons, though fall not dead.
Weep for thy living sons, who keep
Thy tears for such as these unsaved
Whose graves of death demand no tears—
Let dead crowns their spirits save!

—JEFFERSONIAN.

Camp-Meetings.

A Camp-Meeting for Berryville Circuit will be held in the woods of Mr. James Smith, near Wadesville, commencing on Thursday morning, August 11th.

A Camp-Meeting for Hillsboro' Circuit, Loudoun county, Va., will be held near Hamilton Station, in and H. R. R., commencing August 17th.

A Camp-Meeting of the M. E. Church South will be held on the old camp ground, near Redington, commencing August 25th.

A Camp-Meeting of the M. E. Church, South, for Frederick Circuit, will be held near Lamp School-house, commencing September 2d, 1870.

WAR BETWEEN THE STATES.—Those who subscribed for this above work, are informed that the books are ready for delivery at this office, and it is hoped that subscribers will call at once and get them.

SCIENTIFIC WONDER.—The *Craig Microscope* adapted to popular and scientific use. Read the advertisements. Price, \$27.50.

Good wholesome Vinegar. Any one can make it. See advertisement of W. H. Bishop in this paper.

Be sure to read the advertisements "Greatest Work of the Age," in this paper.

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

SATURDAY, August 6, 1870.	
Gold—100 lbs.	67.00
Flour—Superior	6.00 6.50
Extra	6.00 6.50
White	1.00 1.10
Wheat—White	1.00 1.10
Red	1.00 1.10
Corn—No. 2	1.00 1.10
Do. No. 3	1.00 1.10
Oats	1.00 1.10
Barley	1.00 1.10
Timothy	1.00 1.10
Hay	1.00 1.10
Bacon	1.00 1.10
Lard	1.00 1.10
Butter	1.00 1.10
Beeswax	1.00 1.10
Roan	1.00 1.10

PUBLIC SALES.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.
By virtue of a Deed of Trust executed by John M. Kinley to me, as Trustee for John W. Taylor, on the 1st day of September, 1869, I will offer at Public Sale,
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1870,
on the farm lately owned by said Taylor, all the real estate conveyed by said deed, consisting in part of
Very Valuable Stock,
FARMING IMPLEMENTS, &c.
Six head first-rate WORK HORSES,
Five head of CATTLE,
Three head of SWINE,
Fifty-one HOGS—some splendid Chester;
Full blood CHESTER BOAR,
Eleven head of SHEEP,
Two Waggon, Harness, Plows, and
FARMING IMPLEMENTS
OF ALL SORTS.
Household & Kitchen Furniture,
and other things which farmers need, too numerous to mention.
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Thursday, September 1, 1870.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash for all sums of Ten Dollars and under. Above that amount, Six Months credit will be given, to purchasers who can give bond with approved security. J. W. KENNEDY, Trustee.
August 2, 1870.—11.

R. RION LUCAS,
Shenandoah Street, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.,
DEALER IN
GROCERIES, LIQUORS & PROVISIONS.
HAS constantly on hand a well selected stock of Java, Laguyra and Rio Coffee, Refined and Brown Sugars, Green and Black Tea, Syrup, Spices, and other articles of Groceries, and well regulated COUNTRY PRODUCE. Call and examine my stock. Harper's Ferry, July 19, 1870.—11.

N. W. HAINES,
(Formerly of Winchester, Va.)
MANUFACTURER AND WHOLESALE DEALER IN
Cigars of all Descriptions,
Old Post-Office Building,
SHENANDOAH STREET,
HARPER'S FERRY, W. VA.
May 3, 1870.—11.

TAKE NOTICE!
THE public are hereby notified that, the undersigned, J. E. DUKES, of the County of Frederick, State of Maryland, has been appointed by the Court of Probate of said County, Executor of the last will and testament of J. E. DUKES, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned, on or before the 1st day of September, 1870. J. E. DUKES, Executor.
August 1, 1870.—11.

CAMP MEETING.
A CAMP MEETING will be held by the M. E. Church, South, near Southwood Springs, near Kearneyville, commencing on Thursday, the 16th of August. No bucking allowed on or within two miles of the ground.
July 26, 1870. W. G. CROSS, Pastor.

FOR SALE.
A THOROUGH-BRED DEVON BULL—has been a long owner of the bull. I will dispose of him on accommodating terms. Also, a CORN, which will be delivered at the corn-house.
CHARLES AGLOMBY.
July 12, 1870.—11.

FOR SALE.
A FINE YOUNG HORSE, of good blood, and sound, for sale by J. E. DUKES, of the County of Frederick, State of Maryland. Call and examine my stock. Harper's Ferry, July 19, 1870.—11.

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Will open its First Session in the New Building on the 1st Monday of September, 1870. The School is designed to prepare young men for the highest classes of our best Colleges, for the University of Virginia, for the active pursuit of liberal studies, and for the preparation of students for the ministry. Special attention will be given to the thorough instruction in our own language, which is sometimes neglected in Classical Schools. The Session will be divided into two terms of 5 months each, at the close of which, i. e., last week of January and June, there will be public examinations. This School is not designed to be "Sectarian." All parents may exercise their right to determine on what religious services their sons shall attend, provided, every pupil shall regularly attend some Church on the Sabbath.

Location.
Duffield's is a Station on the B. & O. R. R. in Jefferson county, W. Va., in the most beautiful healthy region of the Valley of Virginia; and in the midst of a population distinguished for frugality, industry, sobriety and Christian morality. There is no anywhere within the reach of the school, a place where liquors and their concomitants, for the seduction and ruin of youth, can be procured. BOARD may be had in the most moral and respectable families at from \$10 to \$20, including everything except washing and lights.

Tuition.
English Branches, for 10 months..... \$40.00
Classical and Classics..... 45.00
French Branches, for 10 months..... 10.00
The entire expense for Board and Tuition for the Session may vary from \$200 to \$250. For full information apply to
REV. J. A. SCOTT, A. M.,
JNO. A. SCOTT, JR., A. B.,
Duffield's Depot, Jefferson County, W. Va.
August 2, 1870.—11.

JEFFERSON INSTITUTE.
CHARLESTOWN, VIRGINIA.
The next Session will commence on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1870.
For a thorough course in English, the Languages, Drawing, Music on Piano and Organ, and all the modern and useful branches of Education, and pupils will be required to play at the Musical Soirees, when the friends of the pupils can be present. The Institute is a most desirable place for the education of young men. For Circulars, Terms, &c., apply to the Principal, Mrs. A. FOREST.
July 19, 1870.

SCHOOL AT "MEDIA."
The Second Scholastic Year of my Select School for Boys, under the care of Rev. Jas. E. Poinsett, will open on the 1st Monday of September, 1870, and close the last Friday of June, 1871.
TERMS.
For Board and Tuition in English Branches, \$20.00
For Board and Tuition in Latin Branches, \$25.00
Situations in a delightful neighborhood, removed from the temptations incident to towns or villages; enjoying every comfort which home could furnish; with constant supervision of the principal; the facilities for study and exercise unsurpassed; Religious instruction by a Christian Minister; home advantages present—offer every advantage which a private parent could desire.
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