



Staunton Spectator.

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Advertisement, Delinquents. Those who have themselves to be indebted to the "Spectator Office" for advertising or job work are most respectfully and earnestly requested to pay to us as soon as possible. Bills for job work are due as soon as the work is completed, and for advertising as soon as the time for which advertisements were ordered to be published expires. Any time given on such bills is an indulgence to the person owing them.

The vote of this county and everything we saw and heard on election day, have filled us with unfeigned gratification. Never in the history of the world was such an election held in Staunton, the day was almost like a Sabbath. We did not see a drunken man, and perfect order and quietness reigned throughout the day. Every voter seemed to be impressed with the importance of the occasion, and every countenance was solemn, though determined. There was no attempt to influence voters unduly, and none of the clamor which we have generally heard on such days. Union men went to the polls and cast their votes as freely and safely as others, notwithstanding the immense majority against them. We were even ready to rejoice that a few Union votes were given. Otherwise the world would have believed that suffrage was free, but our country would have asserted that Union votes were overruled by a mob. Now we stand vindicated before the country and the world. In the midst of a popular revolution, law and order, freedom of speech, and freedom of voting, have been maintained here. Mark the contrast in the Northern and Western States! If half we hear from those quarters be true, no man dares to dissent from the majority. While pretending to fight for a free government, they have a despotic army on every one of their soil. "Old Augusta" secures to every one of her sons all the rights as a freeman—her people have proved again their capacity for self-government. Three blessed country, the last stronghold of true liberty when it shall be driven from every other land! We know that our sister counties adjoining us have set the same noble example and we holders as good of the State at large.

Speech of Hon. A. H. H. Stuart. On yesterday, Hon. Alex. H. Stuart addressed the people in the Court House. He spoke for about an hour and a half, and directed the attention of his audience for that length of time by eloquent and stirring appeals. He exhorted the people to pay their increased taxes with alacrity, to give their money freely, and to make every sacrifice, if necessary, towards securing our liberties, maintaining our rights, and defending our soil from the tread of the invading foe. He felt confident that victory would be in the end perch on our banner, how ever desperate the conflict might be. He paid a high and deserved compliment to the brave sons of "Old Augusta." They had braved and heroic sires, and the sons were to do as their fathers did. If an opportunity offered the sons of "Augusta" that he found in the thickest of the fight, and that he was confident they would never give their good mother cause to blush for them. He said the interest of England and France would compel them to take sides with the South and that this would be the case within the term of sixty days.

Cloaks of Famine Covers. We have been shown the admirable one to which India-rubber plaio covers can be applied for the comfort of soldiers. With one piano cover or two water proof cloaks can be made, by running a strong draw string along one edge of it. They can be used also as a warm cover when lying down, or as a blanket to lie upon, and they are water-proof to a much better protection against dampness than a woolen blanket. One of the ladies of this place has prepared her piano cover to be applied as above described, and it will be presented to the soldiers. We hope this example will be followed by many others.

A Sifted in Time. All ladies who may desire to read in providing useful articles for our soldiers, are earnestly and respectfully requested to make up during the Summer and Fall as many small sized bed covers, of their own materials, as they can. If our men should have to remain in camp next winter, they will be obliged to have more cover than the ordinary soldier blanket, and it is possible, in the present state of affairs, that the comforts should be made. Especially let us longed one and a half wide. Especially let us very long and two pair of feet woolen socks for soldiers, between this and the 1st of November.

Another Company Organized. The excellent company gotten up by Major Robt. D. Lilly, and designated the "Augusta Lee Rifles" in compliment to Maj. Gen. Lee, was organized at Greenville, on Tuesday last, by the election of S. D. Lilly, of Staunton, Captain; C. G. Merrill, 1st Lieut.; J. B. Smith, 2d Lieut.; G. G. Davis, 3d Lieut.; C. D. McCoy, 1st Sergeant; W. H. Moore, 2d Sergeant; D. S. Morgan, 3d Sergeant; J. B. Wright, 4th Sergeant; and J. B. Wright, 5th Sergeant.

On Monday (yesterday) at about 12 o'clock, a fire originated in the house occupied by Richard Terrell, and as the wind was blowing very violently at the time, the conflagration was not arrested till some houses had been consumed. The following are the names of the houses destroyed: Mrs. Henderson, one; Hugh N. Hall, two; Robert Terrell, one; Daniel Miller, two; and the house occupied by Richard Terrell, in which it originated. It was accidental.

Reported Mistle Near Hampton. Under the head of "Telegraphic Despatches" will be found news giving an account of a bloody battle and a glorious victory. We are at a loss to know what degree of credit should be attached to these despatches. The Richmond Examiner yesterday described them, but three telegraphic despatches were received at this place on yesterday, after the Examiner had been published, which corroborated the news given in the despatches as published.

U. S. PORTERS STRIKE.—As the services of the United States Post will be dispensed with in our postal office, on and after the 1st June, we would suggest to those who have a quantity of the U. S. postage stamps on hand the propriety of getting rid of them by that day, as they will then be useless.

We give notice that from this date none will be received at this office in payment of dues.

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The Vote of the People. The submission of the subject of the State Constitution to the vote of the people for their ratification or rejection, was required by the great fundamental principle of republicanism, that all free Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. The result has shown that it was not only right in itself, but that it was in the highest degree expedient. The action of the Convention has now received the sanction of the people, and has become their law. If the action of the Convention had not been submitted to the people, it would never have been known that it was approved by them, and it would, consequently, have been devoid of all great effect, of moral effect, and the people could never have been united to the same cause as at present. The people have not only placed their seal of approbation upon the action of the Convention, but they have done it in such a manner, and with such a degree of unanimity, as will produce the greatest possible moral effect. The fact that the vote for the Ordinance was almost unanimous in those counties which had been overwhelmingly in favor of the Ordinance preceding Lincoln's proclamation, and the further fact that a very full vote was cast, furnish confirmation strong as proof of Holy writ, that the people did not vote under any constraint or intimidation, but that they voted freely, willingly and eagerly for the Ordinance as a declaration of independence. They were not intimidated by the threatened mob, which the majority had stationed near the confines of the State, menacing invasion, but manfully and bravely defended them, by casting their votes as freely as those who know their rights, and knowing, dare maintain. The vote of this and the adjoining counties, Rockingham and Rockbridge, were overwhelmingly in favor of the Ordinance before Lincoln's Proclamation, and they are now at least unanimous in favor of the Ordinance—there being only 10 votes in August, 22 in Rockingham and one in Rockbridge against it. What is true of these counties is also true of others which were strongly in favor of the Ordinance. The election there these results are shown, was conducted in much more order, and with less electioneering than usual. Each voter to suit himself, and not another, as is too often the case.

LINCOLN'S TROOPS IN ALEXANDRIA. COL. ELLSWORTH AND JAMES W. JACKSON KILLED. On Friday morning last, a portion of Lincoln's troops took possession of Alexandria at 6 o'clock in the morning. Ellsworth's Regiment of Fire Zouaves, in two steamers, touched the wharf about that hour, and disembarked in three minutes, formed into companies, and proceeded into town at double-quick time, whooping and shouting in the New York fashion.

It appears that Capt. Ball, of the Fairfax Cavalry, had told his command that the Federal troops would not be there until 6 o'clock, and a portion of them laid down to sleep. The consequence was that forty of these soldiers were taken prisoners. The Federal troops hurried on to the Depot, but the train, with Virginia troops and passengers, moved away just in time to escape. Capt. James W. Jackson, proprietor of the Marshall House, in Alexandria, killed Col. Ellsworth, who commands the New York Regiment of Firemen Zouaves, on the 27th inst. He was shot in the chest, and immediately killed by the Zouaves. The circumstances, as reported, are as follows: Ellsworth ascended to the roof of the Marshall House, and secured the flag. Coming down with the flag, he fell around him, he met Mr. Jackson, who had just returned from the depot. He saw a prize. Jackson replied, "Yes, and here is another prize." At the same time he laid his double barrel shot gun, and shooting Ellsworth dead on the spot.

Augusta Companies. "Old Augusta" has the following companies now in the service: Staunton Artillery, Captain Inboden; West Augusta Guard, Capt. Waters; Mountain Guard, Capt. Doyle; Augusta Rifles, Capt. Antrim; Southern Guard, Capt. Williams; Augusta Greys, Capt. Newton; Valley Rangers, (Cavalry) Capt. Parick; Churchville Cavalry, Capt. Sterrett; Staunton Rifles, Capt. Hamard; Rifle Rifles of Augusta, Capt. Grinnan; West View Light Infantry, Capt. Roberts; and Union Greys, Capt. Crawford. Besides these, the Augusta Lee Rifles, Capt. Lilly, has been organized and went into camp at this place on yesterday. We expect several other companies will be organized. So far "Old Augusta" carries the palm.

The Greentree Cavalry. This fine Company, numbering eighty, in command of Capt. Morrison, arrived at this place on Sunday evening last, bearing a beautiful banner which had been prepared and presented to them by the ladies of Lewisburg. It contained the Virginia coat of arms on one side, and on the other, the inscription "God speed you." This is one of the finest Cavalry companies in the State. The soldiers are men of character and respectability, and the horses are A No. 1. Greentree has now three companies in the service—two infantry and one cavalry.

Presentation of Flag. On Saturday last, just before the Bath Cavalry, Capt. Richards, left this place, the flag prepared by the ladies of this County, was presented to the Company, on the part of the Ladies of Bath, by Nicholas K. Trout, Mayor of Staunton, and was received by Capt. Richards on the part of the Company. Both the presentation and reception speeches were brief and appropriate to the occasion.

An Accident at Harper's Ferry. A Plumber, a son of Daniel Fishburn, of Waynesboro, and a member of Captain Parson's Company, was shot in the jaw by an accidental discharge of a pistol in the hands of Robert Bell, a son of David Bell. The wound is a very bad one, and the condition of the patient is quite critical. The ball lodged in the throat or neck, and when last heard from, had not been extracted.

A Man Killed. On Monday evening, the 21st inst., in Captain Bailey's Store, in the village of Dayton, in Rockingham Co., Mr. Blackmore struck Mr. J. S. Rehr in the head with a two pound weight, from the effects of which blow he died. Blackmore escaped when he found it would probably result in the death of Rehr. He has not been captured.

An Accident. On Thursday morning last, Theo. Glick, a member of the Bath Cavalry Company, was thrown from his horse in this place, and had his right arm broken in several places.

Telegraphic Despatches. On Monday, May 18.—The New Orleans (Lafayette) Eagle, with lines, from Rockland, Maine, was captured this morning by the privateers.

Monday, May 17.—The steam privateer "Hesperus" captured a prize, this morning, the ship "Marshall of Providence, N. I." The capture took place just outside the bar. Another prize was also captured to-day, named "Hesperus."

Monday, May 20.—Senator Douglas is expected to arrive in this city to-day. He is expected to arrive to-day, and he is expected to arrive to-day.

Monday, May 21.—Two reconnoitering parties pushed forward from this point yesterday, and report to-day that they penetrated the lines of the Confederate army and went deliberately through their camps.

Monday, May 22.—The President and Cabinet are in sentiment upon the measures which the Government should adopt in case England or France shall recognize the Confederate States. War will be the inevitable consequence.

Monday, May 23.—Hon. R. M. Hunter has arrived here on his return from Montgomery. He reports that 25,000 more Southern troops will reach Virginia within a few days.

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Monday, May 25.—A heavy battle took place early this morning, just outside of Hampton. Seven hundred of Lincoln's troops reported killed, and fifty of ours killed and wounded.

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Cephalic Pills advertisement. Includes text: 'Cephalic Pills', 'Nervous Headache', 'All kinds of Headache', 'CURE', 'By the use of these pills the periodic attacks of nervous or other headaches may be prevented...' and 'BEWARE OF COUNTERFEITS'.

MISCELLANEOUS. GROVER & BIKERS' SEWING MACHINE. THE GREAT SOUTHERN WATSON, JEWELRY AND Military Goods Establishment. FOR 1891. OAKFIELD, BROS. & CO., No. 224 Market Street, Corner of Charles.

BALTIMORE ADVERTISEMENTS. THE GREAT SOUTHERN WATSON, JEWELRY AND Military Goods Establishment. WATCHES, JEWELRY, FINEST GOODS, CUTLERY, ETC. FOR 1891. OAKFIELD, BROS. & CO., No. 224 Market Street, Corner of Charles.

MISCELLANEOUS. Scrofula, or King's Evil. Compound Extract of Sarsaparilla. AYER'S Sarsaparilla. THE BEST REMEDY FOR SCROFULA. AGUE CURE.

RICHMOND ADVERTISEMENTS. R. W. FINNEY & CO. JOB PRINTING. OF EVERY VARIETY. "SPECTATOR" JOB PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT. STONE BUILDING, ANGLETON ST., STAUNTON, VA. LARGE STOCK OF JOB TYPE! GREAT VARIETY OF NEW & FANCY TYPE!

MISCELLANEOUS. "NATIONAL FERTILIZER." THE CHEAPEST, RICHEST, MOST DURABLE AND BEST CONVENTIONAL NUTRIENT FERTILIZER. AT HALF THEIR COST!!!

MISCELLANEOUS. NEW FURNITURE STORE. "UNION HALL." MAIN STREET, STAUNTON, VA. I INVITE THE ATTENTION OF HOUSEHOLDERS AND THE PUBLIC GENERALLY TO THE LARGE AND COMPLETE STOCK OF FURNITURE WHICH I AM NOW RECEIVING AT "UNION HALL," STAUNTON, VA.