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GREAT DISTRIBUTION BY THE Eureka Gift Association.

ESTABLISHED 1846. 180 Broadway, New York. ROSEWOOD PIANOS, MELODEONS, FINE OIL PAINTINGS, ENGRAVINGS, SILVER WARE, FINE GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES.

For One Dollar

which they need not pay until it is known what is drawn and its value.

THE EUREKA GIFT ASSOCIATION

would call attention to the fact of its being the Original and Largest Gift Association in the country. We are therefore enabled to send Fine Goods...

To be Sold for \$1.00 Each.

- 60 Elegant Boxes of Pianos, worth \$250.00 to \$500.00. 50 Melodeons, worth \$125.00 to \$225.00. 100 Fine Oil Paintings, worth \$2.50 to \$10.00.

CHANCE TO OBTAIN ANY OF THE ABOVE ARTICLES FOR ONE DOLLAR BY PURCHASING A SEALED ENVELOPE FOR 25 Cts.

Five Sealed Envelopes will be sent for One Dollar. Eleven for Two Dollars. Thirty for Five Dollars.

GOODWIN, HUNT & CO.

Box 5706 Post Office, New York.

METROPOLITAN ENTERPRISE.

Great Gift Sale

OF THE NEW YORK AND PROVIDENCE JEWELERS' ASSOCIATION. CAPITAL \$1,000,000. DEPOT, 127 BROADWAY.

JAMES MATE.

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POETRY.

Morning Memories.

I love to go back in thought, And wander round around, The dear old places where I was wont; On old Time's hallowed ground,

Memory.

When man from Paradise was driven, And thence onward his pathway sprung, Sweet Memory, wandering there from Heaven, Upon those thorns bright roses hung.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Table with columns for THE PUBLIC DEBT, ASSETS OF THE STATE, and OTHER ASSETS. Includes amounts for State Bonds, Railroads, and various funds.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

The amount of State Bonds registered and bearing interest at six per cent. is \$21,838,808 38.

ASSETS OF THE STATE.

Railroads, \$18,642,863 24. Bonds loaned to Railroads, \$2,938,338 33.

OTHER ASSETS.

The State has invested several millions of dollars in stock in the James River and Kanawha Canal Company, and holds a large amount of stock in various other corporations.

THE STATE DEBT AND TAXATION.

The holders of Virginia State Bonds are preparing for the payment of the interest due. On the first day of January next, the interest due on these bonds will amount to about six millions of dollars.

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Virginia Legislature.

Senate—Monday, Dec. 4, 1865. On calling the roll of the Senate, there was found to be 24 Senators present and 9 absent.

In the absence of Lieut. Gov. Cooper, Mr. E. C. Robinson, of Norfolk, was appointed Speaker pro tempore.

The Speaker announced that the next business order would be the election of Clerk of the Senate, whereupon Mr. Shelton C. Davis, of Richmond, a former clerk of the Senate, was nominated. No other person being in nomination, the vote was taken, and resulted unanimously for Mr. Davis.

For the office of Sergeant at arms, Messrs. A. Jordan, F. V. Sutton, of Henrico, Wm. Wirt Harrison, of Richmond, and N. A. Thompson were nominated.

There was no election on the first order. Second vote—Harrison 21; Thompson 8. Mr. Harrison was elected Sergeant-at-arms of the Senate.

The election of Doorkeeper being next in order, Messrs. Miles C. Eggleston, of Henrico, Dr. Clayton G. Coleman, Jr., of Louisa, August Kohnke, of Richmond, Shelby Baldwin, of Augusta, and Edwin C. Moore, of Orange, were nominated.

On the third vote, Mr. Eggleston was elected Doorkeeper of the Senate.

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The rules of the Senate of 1861 were adopted until further orders. Mr. Bolling, of the following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the House of Delegates be informed that the Senate is now organized, and with the consent of the House of Delegates, that a joint committee be appointed, consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and five on the part of the House, to inform the Governor that both Houses of the General Assembly are organized, and that the General Assembly is ready to receive any communication he may desire to make.

Mr. Bolling was designated by the Speaker to communicate the above resolution to the House. The Senate having received information that the House was organized and ready to proceed to business.

The Speaker thereupon appointed Messrs. Bolling, Member and Carter, a committee on the part of the Senate, to unite with a committee of the House, to wait on the Governor of the State and inform him of the organization of the two Houses, and to receive from him any communication he may deem proper to make.

Soon thereafter, Mr. Bolling, of the Senate's committee, announced that the joint committee had waited on the Governor, who informed them that he would forthwith make a communication to the Senate.

The message was handed in, and five hundred copies ordered to be printed. Mr. Gray rose and said, as the reading of the Governor's message was occupying the attention of the House, and no other business likely to be before the Senate to-day, he moved that the Senate adjourn until 12 o'clock, Tuesday.

At twelve o'clock, the Virginia House of Delegates assembled in the Hall in the North wing of the State Capitol, and was called to order by John Bell Bigger, late assistant clerk. Mr. Bigger was elected Clerk of the House, by a unanimous vote.

The Clerk announced the election of a Speaker as next in order. Mr. Gratton, of Richmond city, nominated F. N. Watkins, who he said, although a new member, had had great experience in presiding over important deliberative bodies.

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Mr. Word, of Botetown, nominated John B. Baldwin, of Augusta. Though there were many strangers in the House, there were none who had not heard of the gentleman named. Twenty years he was a member of the House, and of one of the highest rank among its legislative members.

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Mr. Word looked on looking Mr. Baldwin in the face, and was elected Speaker of the House.

Mr. Woodson nominated Mr. Watkins, of Giles, but he failed.

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LOCAL.

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CROWDED OUT. Owing to our limited space we are compelled to refuse the publication of Bishop Odom's reply to Major McCue, until next week.

FREE COMPANY. We have the attention of our town authorities to the organization of Bob Jones, in regard to the Free Company of Staunton. The company is fully organized and ready for action.

BONNENDABLE. The ladies of Winchester, Va., have formed an association, the object of which is to collect the remains of our gallant dead who fell in the various battles in that vicinity and enclose them in the earth, mark their graves, &c.

WEDNESDAY. We ask the business men of Augusta to read the following observations in regard to advertising, which appeared some time since in an English paper.

STANTON PARLIAMENT. Parliament will meet on Friday next, at 7 P. M., in the basement of the Lutheran Church, to organize by the election of a Speaker, Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms.

ATTACKED BY FREEDMEN. As Mr. G. W. Dudley was returning to his home near Mt. Spring, from Staunton, on the night of the 4th inst., between the hours of ten and eleven, when within a short distance of his house, he was attacked by two negroes, who cut the reins of his horse, thus rendering his horse unmanageable.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE AND GEN. LEE. The ladies of Lexington, Va., make a beautiful appeal to the ladies of Baltimore for aid in raising the Lee endowment. Of Gen. Lee they say: "He has come among us," as plain citizens, with dignified courtesy, engaging, along with the humblest in the community, in the effort to support his own family by his own labor.

Virginia.

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But Virginia's glory is not all a thing that we boast of; and upon her bosom she wears the wealth of sorrows; and upon her bosom she wears the wealth of sorrows; and upon her bosom she wears the wealth of sorrows.

MARRIED. On the 16th of November, near Middlebrook, by Rev. W. P. Moore, Mr. ARTHUR B. McCLANAHAN, Mr. ARTHUR B. McCLANAHAN, to Miss ELIZA A. BRUSKE, all of this county.

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Miscellaneous.

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ESTABLISHED 1836. 'PIANOS, PIANOS, PIANOS!' CHARLES M. STEIFF. MANUFACTURER OF SQUARE AND UPRIGHT PIANOS.

RAWLINGS & WOODWARD, 27 CHARLES ST., Baltimore, Md. TOBACCO & PRODUCE COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

Alexandria. GREGORY & PAUL, Wholesale Grocers, Forwarding and Commission Merchants.

Hardware, Cutlery, Steel, Bar Iron, PLOUGH, &c. JAMES CARLIN, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Hardware, Cutlery, Steel, Bar Iron, PLOUGH, &c.

TO THE CITIZENS OF AUGUSTA, HIGHLAND, AND PENDELTON COUNTIES. ISAAC PAUL & CO., having taken the large Store formerly occupied by Austin, as a Commission Store for the sale of all kinds of Groceries, where we intend keeping a large and well selected stock of DRY GOODS.

NEW MUSIC FOR THE PIANO. Young on the Harp; Preoblatin's Pastoral; B. B. Paganini's Capriccio; and H. W. Cowan's 'The Girl of the Year'.

BRUCE & PECK. Began to inform their old customers and the public generally that they have opened their corner of Augusta and Beverly Street, Staunton, Va., a large and carefully selected stock of FINE CLOTHING, READY-MADE CLOTHING, HATS AND SHOES, &c.

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Staunton Advertisements.

\$1,000 BOUNTY—For Mexico! THE President of the United States having pardoned all men worth \$20,000, the subscribers would now call attention to their new stock of FALL and WINTER GOODS.

KAYSER & YOUNG. Will receive in a few days their second supply of FALL and WINTER GOODS, carefully selected, embracing the latest styles of the season.

A. M. PIERCE, Commission and Produce Merchant, Corner of Augusta & Beverly Streets, STAUNTON, VIRGINIA.

DRUGS, MEDICINES, CHEMICALS, &c. I have received a large stock of pure MEDICINES, OILS, DYE STUFFS, PERFUMERY, &c.

Photograph Gallery. THE subscribers have opened permanently a PHOTOGRAPH GALLERY in Staunton, over the store of House & Alby, opposite the Virginia Hotel.

JOHN B. EVANS' Tobacco and Grocery Store. I have added to my Tobacco Store, 4 Bble. HERRING, 4 Bble. HERRING, 4 Bble. HERRING, &c.

50 BAGS LIVERPOOL BALT. 20 Barrels SUGAR. 15 Bags RIO and LAQUIRA COFFEE. 5 Bbls N. O. MOLASSES and GOLDEN SYRUP.

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Gift Distribution.

Holiday Presents! GREAT SALE OF Watches, Chains, Diamond Rings, &c. ONE MILLION DOLLARS WORTH! TO BE DISPOSED OF AT ONE DOLLAR EACH!

Splendid List of Articles! All to be sold at One Dollar Each!!! 200 Muston Bows..... \$70 to \$100 each. 100 Castinets with bells and... 100 to 200

ARRANDALE & CO. No. 167 Broadway, New York. In consequence of the great stagnation of trade in the manufacturing districts of England, &c., the war having cut off the supply of cotton, a large quantity of valuable jewelry, originally intended for the English market, has been accumulated in this country.

GREAT GIFT APPOINTMENT. To be divided according to the following regulations: Certificates of the various articles are put into envelopes indiscriminately, and are to be drawn out by lot, without regard to choice, and sent by mail, thus showing no favoritism.

What the "Press" say of us. The Lafayette (Ind.) Daily Courier, Mar. 18, 1865, says: "A better selected, more varied, or fashionable assortment of jewelry has never been offered in the country than that of Arrandale & Co., as now offering."

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The Blackbird.

One upon a midnight dreary, white I pondered, weak and weary... O'er the war... While I sat absorbed in thinking-brandy cocktails slowly drinking...

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The undersigned, the stock for past years, informs his friends and the public, that he has just returned with a new and improved stock of...

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Respectfully announce to the citizens of Richmond and vicinity that with greater facilities than at any time...

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READY MADE CLOTHING THE BEST ASSORTMENT IN THE CITY.

THE POOR, THE MIDDLE CLASSES, THE RICH. WE TAKE PLEASURE IN ANNOUNCING THE ENGAGEMENT...

Wm. R. Polk, (Before the fire, at 137 Main Street, Richmond.)

Desires to inform the public, that he has now on hand a well selected stock of Dry Goods and Notions...

Powhatan Hotel, Corner Eleventh & Broad Streets, RICHMOND, VA.

GEO. J. SCANNELL, PROPRIETOR. THIS HOUSE having been put in thorough repair is now open to the Public.

W. H. Parrish & Co., Wholesale and Retail Clothing Establishment.

305 Broad St. between 4th and 5th, RICHMOND, VA.

Marquis & Kelly, WESTERN VIRGINIA MARBLE WORKS.

HARRISONBURG AND CHARLOTTESVILLE. C. T. COCHRAN & Co., STAUNTON, VA.

Ready Made Clothing IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA.

Employing many hundreds of hands in the actual production of garments in our mill. By this arrangement customers save the cost of transportation!

Edwards & Collins, GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

No. 1, Wall Street, and No. 2, Overhill Hotel, RICHMOND, VA.

Wm. Taylor & Son, Grocers, Auctioneers, and Commission Merchants.

No. 9 and 11 EAST MAIN STREET, RICHMOND, VA.

Exchange Hotel, RICHMOND, VA.

REOPENED OCTOBER 20, 1866. JOHN L. VAN LER, Proprietor.