

Local Items.

We are indebted to Mr. Hargrave for copies of the New York Herald and Times, of the 15th April. Theatres, operas, concerts, lectures and a variety of hard-named exhibitions are in full blast in that city. The papers are on file at this office for the inspection of the curious.

We learn that a party of young ladies and gentlemen, returning from a pic-nic on Saturday evening, came near having a very serious accident, from the upsetting of their wagon on the hill near Fisher's Pond. As it happened to be a soft spot, the extent of the damage was the rather sudden extraction of a tooth or two, slight bruises and scratches, and a general dislocation of hoop skirts. Drivers should be extra careful, when they have such valuable loads on board.

MAY DAY.—We could wish that better auspices had ushered in our May day, if only that the hearts of the children might be gladdened. The shrubs are putting forth their scents, it is true; the trees are garbing themselves in their bright green Summer costume; roses are flinging out their perfumes to the air; and the mock-bird and nonpareil are beginning to tune their pipes for a long summer carol. But we have no songs, and sit as sad and silent as the wretched exiles of the Hebrews beside the waters of Babylon. Still, send the children forth. Garb them in their best, give them a holiday, an extra luncheon in their wallets, and let them have a pic-nic in Sydney Park. It may be that seeing them rejoice, our own hearts may be lifted up to hope once more.

Funeral Invitation.

The relatives and friends of Major Theo Stark and family, are invited to attend the funeral services of Miss REBECCA STARK, their youngest daughter, at Trinity Church, THIS AFTERNOON, at 5 o'clock.

OBITUARY.

Killed, on the battle field of Town Creek, N. C., February last, THOMAS C. EGAN, Company I, 2^d Regiment S. C. V., in the twenty-third year of his age.

Death has again invaded the family circle and snatched away a loved member. The deceased was a resident of Columbia, S. C. Losing his father at an early age, the care of his family devolved on him, and how well he acquitted himself of that trust, his bereaved relatives can testify. His whole life was one of devotion and self-sacrifice for them. Being naturally diffident, his rare virtues were best known at the fire side and by those with whom he came into intimate contact. His moral character was unexceptionable—high principles governed his every action; his hand was ever ready to assist those in want, as far as lay in his power, and to perform those little acts of kindness which serve to brighten life's dreary way. His tongue was never known to repeat the words of slander. He gave up his peaceable pursuits and the books he loved so well, and took up arms for the cause of liberty. His comrades speak warmly of his bravery in the field. He died in the hands of the enemy with no loved one to soothe him in his dying agonies or to repay him for his kind attention around their sick couch. Although no church member, he was deeply religious. His seat in the sanctuary was ever filled. He is gone, but we hope to meet him in Heaven. May his young brothers emulate his bright example.

Notice.

ALL persons having claims against the Arsenal Academy will present them to me for payment immediately.

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BENJ. G. KNIGHT.

[Communicated.]

Yankee Treatment of Prisoners.

The honest and excellent old chronicler, Sir John Froissart, in his account of the battle of Otterburn, fought in 1388, between the English and Scottish Earls, Percy and Douglas, dwells, in eloquent terms, upon the magnanimity and humanity displayed by both parties towards their prisoners and the wounded after the action, which, he says, was perhaps, "the hardest and most obstinate battle that was ever fought." "For," he observes, "the English and the Scotch are excellent men-at-arms, and whenever they meet in battle do not spare each other; nor is there any cruelty to their courage as long as their weapons endure. They ransom their prisoners at once, and in such courteous manner, that, on their departure, they return them their thanks. Whether they are in battle, it is no boy's play between them." Thus it was after the battle of Otterburn—the Scots chased the English five miles, killing and taking prisoners all they could overtake; but when once they had yielded themselves prisoners—rescued, or not-rescued—they trusted to their word—told them to disarm themselves, and treated them as if they had been brothers, instead of enemies. His English commentator observes, that "they received considerable sums for the ransom of their prisoners, although in this point, they behave generously—pressing no man beyond his means. As Scotch and English they laughed at each other, fought with each other, and later each other; but when one became the prisoner of the other, all the national causes of the quarrel were forgotten—the yielding of the prisoner, made his captor his protector, not his tyrant. When opposition ceased, enmity was at an end; they acted generously towards each other. Such conduct distinguishes the brave man, who openly and fairly faces his enemy—from the coward who seeks to wreak his meanness after the battle," or who, like the Butlers and Sherburns, the Sheridans and McNells of the day, plunder and murder their prisoners, and burn their dwellings; whose chivalric followers snap pistols in the faces of young ladies, and sound the earth with their ramrods in search of buried spoil, and proclaim confiscation, exile and extermination to the vanquished. Such are the meercs at Southern chivalry, the fraternities with negroes, and the abettors of Hyattien insurrection and massacre. With such foes—

"The day of mercy, is the day of fight."

"Let them be punished—let them be impoverished—let them be slain—let them be damned!" says Parson Brownlow, the present bogus Governor of Tennessee, in a late speech or address to the people of that State. In the meantime the people of Tennessee are impoverished and punished, as by the manifest judgment of Heaven, in having this hellamite barbarian imposed upon them as their Governor. Those who thus substitute imprecations for arguments, "deal damnation round the land—on each they judge their foe;" should bear in mind the adage—that "curses, like chickens, come home to roost."

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Lumber and Doors for Sale.

SEVERAL DOORS and a small quantity of LUMBER for sale at a reasonable price, apply in Sumter street, near Lumber, to May 1

Mrs. F. GEISE.

\$50 Reward.

THE above reward will be cheerfully given to any one that will give information to convict persons for STEALING BOARDS from the one enclosing my lot on Blanding street. The lot of the boards are alike and easy of detection. I enclosed it at the request of City Council, and hope they will assist in keeping it so. May 1st

C. A. BEDALL.

Mule.

By A. E. Phillips.

THIS (Monday) MORNING, at 11 o'clock, I will sell, near the Ration House, on Plain street, opposite Dr. Geiger's, A young and well broke MULE. Terms cash. may 1st

DR. P. MELVIN COHEN,

Pickens Street, at Head of Lady St. HAS JUST RECEIVED:

MORPHINE, QUININE, CALOMEL, CAMPHOR, MUSTARD, HARTSHORN, AMMONIA, CASTOR OIL, COOKING and WASHING SODA, GLYCERINE, BLUE MASS, EPSOM and GLAUBER SALTS, LAUDANUM, ETHER, SPIRITS NITRE, JALAP, PREPARED CHALK, GUM ARABIC, DOVER'S POWDER, &c.

AND SPANISH SEGARS, MATCHES.

Low's Windsor Soap, Mason's Blacking, Imported Pipes, Tooth Brushes, Coate's Spool Cotton, Hair Pins, Needles, Agate and Rifle Buttons, Playing Cards, Wool Cards, Brown Sugar, Shoe Brushes, Smoking and Chewing Tobacco, Hooks and Eyes, Suspenders, Paint Brushes, Twine, Pocket Hair Brushes.

ALSO,

Stationery and Tinware, English Blotting Caps, Letter Paper, Letter and Note Envelopes, Pens and Handles, Lead Pencils, Memorandum Books, Paper Files, Black Ink, Tin Basins, Cups and Pans.

DR. P. MELVIN COHEN,

Druggist, Pickens street, head of Lady St. May 1st

Lost,

BY the subscriber, on the night of the conflagration of Columbia—the 17th of February, 1865—the following CERTIFICATES OF STOCK:

425 shares Exchange Bank of Columbia; 48 shares South Western Railroad and Bank; 40 half shares South Carolina Railroad stock; 81 half shares Bank of Charleston.

And the following GREENVILLE RAILROAD BONDS:

No. 1081, \$500, 7 per cent, redeemable July, 1862; No. 278, \$500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 260, one Bond, \$500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 274, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 3, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 225, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 285, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 228, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 458, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable July, 1862; No. 619, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable July, 1862; No. 220, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 221, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 86, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 95, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862; No. 618, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable July, 1862; No. 783, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable July, 1862; No. 82, 500, 7 per cent, redeemable January, 1862.

The public will take notice of the above, as application will be made for renewal certificates and renewal bonds.

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MARY O'CONNOR.

WANTED,

A GOOD WHEELWRIGHT, for whom liberal wages will be paid. Apply at this office. April 28 1865

Shoes for Sale,

ON Marion street, one door South side of Lumber street. W. LASSALLE