

AN IMPORTANT DECREE.—In the case of *A. T. Stuart & Co., vs. Charles Kerison, assignee, Judge Bond, in the United States Circuit Court*, decided that the judgment of A. T. Stuart & Co. vs. Kerison & Leiding is a valid and subsisting one, and that they are entitled to be paid out of the proceeds of such of the real estate of the bankrupts as it was a lien upon, according to its priority. The Court further said: "While the Court refuses to set aside this judgment on account of the irregularities complained of, it cannot refrain from saying, for the benefit of the profession, that in its judgment a plea to the jurisdiction of the District Court at Greenville would have been well taken. That Court is not a Circuit Court. Neither the Chief Justice of the United States nor the Circuit Judge, who are required by law to hold Circuit Courts, can hold or assist in holding the District Court for the Western District of South Carolina. That Court held by the District Court Judge has Circuit Court powers within the territory prescribed by law for its jurisdiction, which any person legally entitled may invoke at pleasure, but there is no authority at all for removing causes originally brought in the Circuit Court of the United States to that Court, against the consent of parties, except in certain criminal cases at the instance of the District Attorney. I am aware that the practice to do so has prevailed for some time, but it has produced great confusion and has no warrant in law."

A Cincinnati youth, who parts his hair in the middle, made a slight mistake at a theatre in that city the other night. In order to obtain a clearer perception of a high note by a singer, he reached in his coat-tail pocket and brought forth what he thought was an opera glass, but what proved to be a revised compilation of Derringer. People in his immediate vicinity were surprised and somewhat frightened to see him elevate the ordnance to his eyes and steadfastly gaze down into its dark caverns of death. It was, upon first impression, thought to be a ool, deliberately planned suicide, but when he quietly put it back in his pocket and brought the real article into requisition the horror melted from before their eyes, and it became apparent that it was only a mistake after all. A few hairs whose beat lay on the lard-board side of the young man's skull had by some means gotten on the star-board side; hence the slight aberration of mind.—*Boston Advertiser.*

YOUTHFUL DUKISTS.—The Oxford (Pa.) Press is informed by a correspondent that a shooting affair occurred in Fawn Township, York County, on Saturday last, between two boys, aged fourteen and sixteen years of age, sons of a colored man named Stephen Young. The boys had been gunning during the day and were found in a dying condition in the evening, near their homes, with gun shots in their heads. How it happened was not known, as they never spoke after being found, and the supposition is that they quarreled and shot each other, as their bodies were found about twenty feet apart. Each of them had been shot in the left temple. The jury rendered a verdict accordingly.

"And now," complains the Omaha Bee, "the barbarians of the East refer to our female population as 'Omaha-bene.'"

Tax Levy.	
RICHLAND COUNTY.	
OFFICE COUNTY TREASURER.	
COLUMBIA, S. C., NOV. 16, 1874.	
The following taxes have been levied upon the property of this County, viz:	
1. For pay of salaries Executive and Judicial officers of the State, the Clerks and contingent expenses of the Executive and Judicial Departments of the Government.	14
2. For support and maintenance of the penal, charitable and educational institutions of the State, exclusive of common schools.	14
3. For support and maintenance of public schools.	2
4. For payment of deficiencies for school claims and School Commissioners' salaries, due prior to November 1, 1873.	31
5. For expenses of the General Assembly.	1
6. For public printing.	13
7. For payment of interest upon the public debt, (as adjusted by Act of December 22, 1873,) due and payable upon 1st of January and July, 1875.	2
8. For deficiencies, or unpaid appropriations and claims of Central National Bank, P. F. Frazee and F. Cardarelli.	14-5
Total for State Taxes	10 23-60
For current expenses of Richland County.	MILLS 3
For New Court House.	1
For Common Schools.	1
Total for County	5
The tax duplicate will be opened in this office on the thirtieth day of this instant, for the collection of the above tax levies, and every day thereafter (Sunday excepted) until the 15th day of January, 1875. When 20 per cent. penalty will attach to all delinquents.	
J. L. NEAGLE,	
Treasurer Richland County.	
Nov 17	

THE DAILY PHOENIX.

BY J. A. SELBY. COLUMBIA, S. C., WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 30, 1874. VOL. X—NO. 243

"Let our Just Censures Attend the True Event."

Soluble Pacific Guano.
\$18 Cash, \$33 Time, Without Interest.
PACIFIC GUANO COMPANY'S COMPOUND ACID PHOSPHATE OF LIME for composting with cotton seed—\$33 cash, \$38 time, without interest.
To accommodate planters, they can order now and have until 1st April to decide whether they will take at time or cash price. When delivered from factory by car load, no drayage will be charged. This guano is now so well known in all the Southern States for its remarkable effects as an agency for increasing the products of labor as not to require special recommendation from us. It is used for nine years past has established its character for reliable excellence. The supplies put into market this season are, as heretofore, prepared under the superintendence of Dr. ST. JULIAN RAVENEL, Chemist of the Company, at Charleston, S. C., hence planters may rest assured that its quality and composition is precisely the same as that heretofore sold. J. N. ROBBSON, Agent for South Carolina, Charleston, S. C. JOHN S. REESE & CO., Nov 24 tub 3 General Agents, Baltimore.

Notice.
ALL persons are hereby warned not to trespass on any part of our land or ground from this date, as the law will be enforced upon all persons so trespassing. Dec 23 W. D. SPARKLING & CO.

Christmas and New Year's GIFTS!

That are USEFUL and ORNAMENTAL, can be had at BRYAN'S Bookstore. Dec 24

New Stand.
I RESPECTFULLY inform my friends and the public in general that I have opened, next door to my old stand, a regular CONFECTIONERY STORE, with a full supply of CANDY, CAKE, BREAD, FRUIT, TOYS, &c.; in fact, everything suitable for the holidays. P. W. KRAFFT, Agent. Dec 19

Christmas Goods.

MY stock of CONFECTIONERIES, FRUITS, TOYS, &c., for the Christmas holidays, is now open for inspection, and the public are respectfully invited to give me a call, feeling confident that I can suit all, both in regard to quality and price. My assortment of Toys is large and varied, and my prices reasonable. Everything kept in a first class fruit and confectionery store will be found at my establishment. W. STIEGLITZ, Few doors below PHOENIX office. Dec 16

FIREMEN'S BALL.
Benefit of the Phoenix H. & L. Co.
THE SECOND GRAND BALL of the Phoenix Hook and Ladder Company will be given New Year's Eve—DECEMBER 31, 1874—in Parker's Hall. The success of the first ball is an indication of what the second will be. The Band of the 18th Infantry have been secured. My assortment of Toys is large and varied, and my prices reasonable. Everything kept in a first class fruit and confectionery store will be found at my establishment. Tickets can be obtained at W. J. Duff's Bookstore, Brookbank & Co.'s Confectionery, or from either member of the committee. Dec 23-45

NO IMITATION.
IF you want a genuine MEERSCHAUM PIPE, from five to twenty-five dollars, or genuine CIGAR-HOLDER, from two to ten dollars, or WALKING CANE, from twenty-five cents to twenty-five dollars, go to the INDIAN GIRL CIGAR STORE. There, the largest assortment ever offered in Columbia is displayed. Ladies should remember that there is nothing gentlemen appreciate more than the genuine article; therefore, in selecting PRESENTS, they should inspect this stock of genuine Meerschamm Goods. JOHN AGNEW & SON. Dec 27

Walker Evans & Cogswell
ESTABLISHED 1832.
Nos. 3 Broad Street and 109 East Bay Street,
CHARLESTON, S. C.

STATIONERS PRINTERS AND BINDERS
FIRST-CLASS WORK
OUR SPECIALTY,
YES, BY USING CHEAPER GRADES OF STOCK, WE CAN FURNISH WORK AT LOWEST LIVING PRICES.
FINE FASHIONABLE STATIONERY,
Pierces Paper and Envelopes.
Wedding and Ball Invitations
OR THE BEST STOCK AND PRINTED IN THE LATEST STYLE.
Supt. 4 41y
PURE CALIFORNIA PORT. J. C. SEEGERS, Dec 18

Notice to Holders of Claims Against the State of South Carolina.
OFFICES OF CLERKS OF SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 23, 1874.
PURSUANT to concurrent resolution, adopted by both Houses, the undersigned hereby give notice to holders of all claims against the State, other than Blue Ridge Scrip and Bills of the Bank of the State, to present said claims at their offices, in the city of Columbia, on or before the 19TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1875, for registration. J. WOODRUFF, Clerk of Senate. A. O. JONES, Clerk of House of Representatives. Dec 21

New Orleans Molasses.
50 BARRELS choice new crop New Orleans MOLASSES, just received direct from New Orleans, and for sale at wholesale and retail. JOHN AGNEW & SON. Dec 5

Holiday Goods.
I DESIRE to call public attention to my stock of HOLIDAY GOODS, consisting of California Peas, Canton Ginger, Pecans and Jellies of all kinds; Walnuts, Pecans, Brazil Nut, Filberts Almonds; Lemons, Oranges, Apples, Cranberries and Dried Figs, Pleasant Valley Grapes, (in boxes), Prunes, Citron, Currants, Malaga and London Layer and Seedless Raisins. JOHN E. GYLES, Agent. Dec 6 2mo

Raisins, Prunes, &c.
200 PACKAGES LAYER RAISINS, Prunes, Currants, Citron, Almonds, Pecans, Filberts, Walnuts, Canton Ginger, Mince Meat, Plum Pudding, &c. Just received and for sale by JOHN AGNEW & SON. Dec 1

City Taxes.
CITY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.
COLUMBIA, S. C., December 16, 1874.
NOTICE is hereby given that the books are now open for the returns of the Tax-payers of all property taxable by the City of Columbia for 1875. Property-holders and all others interested are notified that their returns must be made before the 15th day of January, 1875. Blank forms can be had on application to Dec 17 RICH. JONES, City Assessor.

Mince Pies, Cakes and Patties.
THESE delicacies cannot be made good without pure Spices and fragrant Extracts. HEINISH, the Pharmacist, has Pure ground PEPPER, Cinnamon, Mace and Ginger, Good Nutmegs, Cloves and Spice, high-flavored Vanilla, Lemon and Orange, Fine Cooking Wine, Summer Savory, Sweet Marjorum, Pressed Sage and Thyme, all for sale at E. H. HEINISH'S Drug Store. Dec 12

Seventy-five Out of Every Hundred PERSONS are affected with some derangement or disease of the skin. No matter what the nature of it may be, "HEINISH'S QUEEN'S DELIGHT," the great American Blood Purifier, will cure it. This is quite enough to say. If you have any skin disease, use Heinisch's (Queen's) Delight. Dec 10

Look After Your Stomach.
THE finest Medicinal Confection in the world is at Heinisch's. Chocolate for lunch, Chocolate for table, Walnut Nougat, Pistache Paste, Cocoa Caramel, Cream Chocolate, Althea and Mallow Drops, Soluble Gum Drops, Cough Confections, Ginger Drops, Eng. Mint Drops, finest Extract Vanilla, finest Extract Lemon, for sale at HEINISH'S Drug Store. Dec 22

Save Your Money
BY having your Hats RENOVATED, DYED, CLEANED and PRESSED, in the latest styles. Work left at J. HUTMAGHER'S, 189 Richardson street, next door to Pollack House. C. P. REHMEN. Dec 3-13

New Books, at Bryan's Bookstore.
WORKING to Win, a story for girls, \$1.75.
Mistress of the Manor, by Dr. Holland, author of Arthur Bonycastle, \$1.50.
A History of Germany, from the Earliest Times, by Charlton Lewis, \$2.50.
Manual of Mythology, Greek, Roman, Norse, Hindoo, Egyptian and Old German, by Murray, \$2.25.
Pacific and Forest, the Game of North America, with adventures in their pursuit, by Gilmore, \$1.50.
Health and Education, by Kingsley, \$1.75.
Hogarth's complete works, in three volumes. The Wild North Land, by Major Butler, with plates, \$2.50.
History of Clubs and Club Life, London. Book of Wonderful Characters, with portraits. The Slang Dictionary, historical and anecdotal. Homes and Haunts of the British Poets, London, and other new books. Nov 1

"I Can't Understand."
EVERY one who tries our CIGARS at two dollars and three cents and three dollars per hundred exclaims, "I can't understand" how you can sell such Cigars at that price. We don't propose to explain, but suggest that those who want to save money had better call early, as the 20,000 we advertised are being rapidly moved out. FERRY & SLAWSON, Indian Girl Cigar Store, Columbia, S. C. Dec 15

MILINERY.
PRICES REDUCED of Ladies', Misses' and Children's BONNETS, HATS, CAPS, SUITS, UNDERWEAR, Fur Sets, Cloaks, Waxed Goods, Hair, Corsets, Zephyr Waxed and other articles too numerous to mention; also, HAZAR Patterns. Ladies will please call and see for themselves at Nov 26 MRS. C. E. REED'S.

Imported Wines, Brandies, Etc. Etc
SCOTCH WHISKIES, Old Jamaica Rum, Brandies—Otard, &c., Holland Gin, Sherry Wine, Port Wine, Madeira Wine, Also, a large stock of fine Old Whiskies, Cigars, &c. J. C. SEEGERS.

Wanted, Agents, Male and Female,
To sell Pictures everywhere. 14,000 retailed by one. Another writes: "I can make more money in this business than I can on a \$10,000 farm, all stocked." WHITNEY & CO., Norwich, Conn. Dec 9 3mo

GOVERNOR MOSES
In changing the Commissioners of Election, deserves the united thanks of every lover of peace. THE PROPRIETOR OF THE INDIAN QUEEN SEGAR STORE, introducing the FIVE CENT MANILLA, introduces the commendation of every lover of the weed, as

ON THE
Day of election, the people flock to the polls, each to deposit their ballot for their favorite candidate, so do the many consumers flock to this popular resort to obtain this FAVORITE SEGAR. Let it be understood that we are not on the

WAR PATH
Against other dealers, we merely claim that the segar offered by others is far INFERIOR to that sold by the INDIAN QUEEN CIGAR STORE, Nov 1 105 1/2 Assembly Street.

CONGAREE IRON WORKS
COLUMBIA, S. C.
JOHN ALEXANDER, Proprietor.

MANUFACTURER OF STEAM ENGINES, SAW AND GRISS MILLS, GIN Gearing, and all kinds of Iron Castings for Machinery and Agricultural Castings for Stores and Dwellings, Patent Railings for Gardens and Cemeteries, Iron Settees and Arbor Chairs; also, Brass Castings of all kinds, Bells for Churches, Schools, Work-shops, &c. Guarantee all my work first class and equal to any North or South. Works at foot of Lady street and near to South Carolina and Greenville & Columbia Railroad Companies' Depots. Nov 18

MONEY TO LOAN,
On Marketable Collaterals.

EXCHANGE on New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Boston and all prominent cities of the United States and Europe bought and sold.

DEPOSITS received and interest-bearing certificates issued.

STOCKS, BONDS, GOLD and SILVER bought and sold. ACCOUNTS of merchants and others from the city and country solicited, and LIBERAL LINES of DISCOUNTS granted by the CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK, Corner of Plain and Richardson streets.

QUAKER LINIMENT, A GREAT MEDICINE

GIVING INSTANT RELIEF.
IT is the most wonderful MEDICINE ever known, and possesses a curative power unequalled in the history of remedies. For sale only at Dec 16 HEINISH'S Drug Store.

107 Main St., Next to Wheeler House.
ESTABLISHED IN 1845.
AND STILL IN THE FIELD,
WITH A LARGE and well selected stock of first class FURNITURE, Parlor, Bedroom and Dining Room Sets, which will be sold as low as any house in the country for cash. Nov 10 M. H. BERRY.

Seegers' vs. Cincinnati Beer.
THE Cincinnati Gazette makes the astonishing announcement that Cincinnati beer is no longer pure, but adulterated with molasses, sugar of starch, fuel oil and the poisonous coichicum. The Commissioner of Agriculture, in his report for 1865, says that Prof. Mapes, of New York, analyzed the beer from a dozen different breweries, and found all of it adulterated. Cincinnati Indians and nux vomica entered largely into its composition. J. C. SEEGERS guarantees his beer to be pure and reliable. He does not adulterate it, but brews from the best barley, malt and hops. Jan 23

Cottage House.
No. 15 Washington St., next Masonic Hall.
The undersigned has re-opened this establishment and informs the public that he is prepared to supply them with the very best of WINES, LIQUORS, SEGARS, TOBACCO, etc. Over in every style, and at all hours. Refreshments of various kinds. Give a call. Oct 31 C. R. FRANKLIN, Supt.

Wines and Liquors.
CHAMPAGNES—Pommery, Sec, Chans & Duchatel, Kelley's Island Sparking Catawba, California "Imperial," BRANDIES—Brandenburg Freres, Jas. Hennessy, Otard, Dupuy & Co., vintages 1855, 1858, 1865. WINES—Old Private Stock Madeira—in bottles only. Choice Table Sherries, California Angelica—very delicate, Sandeman and other Port. Full line of Hocks and Sauternes, including "Chateau Yquem," "Latour Blanche," "Hockheimer," "Lambenheimer," &c., &c. Our specialty is fine goods, such as we can, with confidence, recommend. Any rare wine not in store we are prepared to purchase either in New York or Europe, and furnish at market rates. Nov 28 GEO. SYMMERS.

50 Cases Oatawba Champagne.
THIS WINE is fully equal to the French and imported Champagne. J. C. SEEGERS, Dec 18

IMPORTANT AND SPECIAL NOTICE.

IN order to close out our large, varied and extensive stock of DRESS GOODS, PRINTS, DOMESTIC, HOMESPUNS, TWEEDS, JEANS, CASSIMERES, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, NO PIONS, LACES, EMBROIDERIES, RIBBONS, HANDKERCHIEFS, GLOVES, HOSIERY, MERINO UNDERWEAR, SHAWLS, LINENS, TABLE DAMASKS, TOWELINGS, BLACK ALPACAS, BOOTS and SHOES, CARPETS, OILCLOTHS, RUGS, MATS, OTTOMANS, &c., &c., to make room for Spring Stock, we have marked down our prices, and for the next sixty days from this date will sell REGARDLESS OF COST. We have just received a large quantity of goods, bought for cash from several bankrupt stocks in New York, at unprecedentedly low prices. We offer 50c. Dress Goods at 25c. a yard, and large lines of other goods in proportion.

We are daily receiving NOVELTIES for the HOLIDAYS, and will offer them at prices to suit the times. We invite all in want of goods to examine our assortment, as we offer such inducements to buyers in NEW and DESIRABLE GOODS that they very seldom see. Our goods are all new and of good quality, having been selected with care, and specially adapted to this market, enabling us to meet any competition of whatever character. Our salesmen are polite and attentive, and will take pleasure in showing goods at the

Grand Central Dry Goods Establishment
OR
WM. D. LOVE & CO.
*Samples sent gratuitously upon application. Dec 20

LADIES', GENTS', MISSES' and 'CHILDREN'S fine SHOES, far below regular prices. Now is the time to buy good goods at low prices, at old stand of R. C. SHIVER & CO. Dec 22

Christmas Comes but Once a Year,
AND but once can you indulge in the rare happiness of BESTOWING CHRISTMAS GIFTS. Seize the opportunity that is at hand, and hurry up to the well known and popular

DRY GOODS STORE
OR
C. F. JACKSON,
There to inspect a stock of GOODS that is adapted to the wants of all, and MARKED AT LOWER prices than have been offered for 15 years. You can never buy cheaper than I will sell you for the balance of the year. My banner is hung out to the breeze, and with the proud and well cherished title of "The Leader of Low Prices," I will my colors to the mast, and invite the public to test the sincerity of my boast. All the year round always the same. C. F. JACKSON, Leader of Low Prices. Dec 13

A CARD.
The Laurel Street
GROCERY ESTABLISHMENT
IT is now open to the public, offering the GREAT TEST IN GERMEN'S known to the trade. The proprietor is so confident of the superior merits of his goods that he asks no discrimination in his favor as compared with anything in this market; so that you can at once encourage Southern industry, and at the same time directly serve your interest, by purchasing from this reliable house. Offering every reasonable facility to customers, I beg an humble share of public patronage. Dec 1 JOHN E. GYLES, Agent.

GOOD THINGS. LOW PRICES.
100 barrels NORTHERN APPLES.
200 boxes CANDY.
100 boxes RAISINS.
200 cases CANNED FRUITS.
Pecans, Almonds, Oranges, Lemons, Walnuts, &c., wholesale and retail, as low as any house in this country. LOHOK & LOWRANCE.

SONNHL DOOQ
CAR LOAD CALIFORNIA Wine, Brandy & Champagne
JUST RECEIVED direct from California. These Wines and Brandies are made of delicious grapes of CALIFORNIA. For sale by J. C. SEEGERS, Dec 18

PURE CALIFORNIA ANGELICA.
Dec 18 J. C. SEEGERS.

PURE CALIFORNIA PORT.
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WM. GLAZE, JEWELER,
Has on hand a large stock of Gold and Silver Watches and Clocks. DIAMOND RINGS AND PINS, Fine Jewelry in Whole and Half Sets, Silver and Plated Ware, House-Furnishing Goods, Fancy Goods in Variety. Military Goods—Stock Complete.

N. B. I have on hand a large stock of ENGLISH GUNS, breech and muzzle loading, and will sell at reduced prices. Wishing to reduce my whole stock, I will sell, until January next, all goods at reduced prices.

WATCHES AND JEWELRY repaired in the best manner and warranted. Nov 8

WATCHES, Clocks, Jewelry, SILVER AND PLATED WARE, SPECTACLES, EYE-GLASSES, ETC.
I HAVE a large stock of the above on hand, and will sell them at the lowest cash prices. All goods warranted as represented. *Watches, Clocks and Jewelry repaired and work warranted. GEO. BRUNS, Columbia Hotel Block. Oct 27

PORTRAITS, PHOTOGRAPHS, STEREOSCOPES, &c., Copies from Old Pictures made any size and style as cheap as anywhere else. Come and see the new Rembrandt or Shadow Pictures. Something still more beautiful, Rembrandt Glass. Satisfaction guaranteed or no money asked. Dec 4 W. P. HIX, Art Gallery.

CARRIAGES and WAGONS.
I HAVE now on hand a very handsome assortment of BUGGIES, ROCKAWAYS, HARBOUCHES, CARRIAGES, HARNESS, WHIPS, &c., &c., of my own as well as of Northern manufacture, and of handsome style and finish. ALSO, A full stock of the celebrated MILBURN WAGONS, which have given such universal satisfaction. My prices have been greatly reduced, and all vehicles sold are warranted for twelve months, and any defect in workmanship or material will be made good to the purchaser on sending the vehicle to my Carriage Manufactory. Nov 10 JOHN AGNEW.

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FOR

THE HOLIDAYS!!
OR
NEW YEAR'S GIFT,
OR
GIVE something substantial:
An elegant Beaver OVERCOAT.
A nice SCARF or TIE.
A pair of Reynier Dog Skin GLOVES.
A pair of Jouven's KIDS.
A dozen POCKET HANDKERCHIEFS.
A dozen fine LINEN COLLARS.
A pair SLEEVE BUTTONS.
A dozen Nice-Fitting SHIRTS, or
A New Style HAT.

Our stock has been replenished especially for the holiday season, and will be sold at

Boys' Overcoats and Clothing
From \$7 to \$15. Our

Custom Department
Is kept replete with a full assortment of CLOTHS, CASSIMERES and VESTINGS, which will be made to order at short notice.

R. & W. C. SWAFFIELD.
Dec 22

New Sugar-Cured Hams,
100 NEW YORK sugar-cured HAMS, choice quality, just received and for sale by JOHN AGNEW & SON.