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PROPRIETORS VOICE.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCT 2, 1863.

REMOVAL.

We have removed our office to the old Bell Tavern building, on the Court House Square, adjoining the office of the Provost Marshall's office, (upstairs) where we will be pleased to see our old friends.

We are prepared to do job work in the neatest manner and with dispatch.

HON. L. T. WIGFALL OF TEXAS.

This distinguished gentleman is in Boston that great Cradle would do it very not from of place to recall his effort in the old U. S. Senate on the reclaim of his reply to the infamous traitor Andy Johnson, of Tennessee, author of that Bill of abominations, denominated "the Homestead Bill." Johnson in advocacy of his bill declared as its purpose "to provide Homes for the Homeless, and Lands for the landless." Judge Wigfall in a speech of great pith and power, developing the agrarianism, the socialistic and multiplied abomination of the whole wicked scheme preferred to add "negro for the negro" [illegible] And upon this good reason, that when the Government had gotten its public lands at the extremely low price of a dollar an acre the man who was too worthless and thoughtless to buy land at that price should of necessity be provided by the same benevolent Government, which GAVE HIS LAND, the labour needed to build the home and cultivate the land for subsistence! The satire was withering, yet out of that very homestead bill and the general policy of which it was a part grew DISSOLUTION OF THE UNION AND TO WIT.

☞ We call special attention to the Card of the American Hotel at Richmond Va., in our advertising column. This excellent house changed hands so to that last. Mr. W. A. Wright, formerly of the Linwood House, becoming one of the proprietors and Manager. He has had a large experience in catering to the tastes of the public, being a long time in charge of the Salt Sulphur Springs, noted for its excellent bill of fare, then had charge of the Monumental Hotel near the Capitol square and for some time past has been the Proprietor of the Linwood House, at which many of our Augusta people were accustomed to stay. The American has lost none of its reputation in the late change, giving as we are aware, an excellent bill of fare, which with attentive servants and well ventilated rooms, is all that the guest can desire. Give the American a call and you will be well treated and save from two to four dollars per day, as the other Hotels charge ten and twelve dollars, while at the American the charge is only eight dollars per day.

LIGHT! LIGHT!!

From information received some days ago, we learned that several hundred barrels of rosin, intended for our Gas Works had arrived in Richmond en route for this place. We also learned from the same source, that it would arrive here on Wednesday last, and consequently expected, ere this writing, to have seen our town assume an exceeding wonted appearance, in being brilliantly illuminated by Gas Light! We are, however, in common with our citizens generally, doomed to disappointment in this particular but trust, from the energy at PRESENT displayed by the President and Directors of the Gas Company, not to remain long in the dark.

SAVING THE TENTH.

Mr. ——— who lives in town, having a plantation near Staunton and being desirous of paying the Government the tenth of some oats he was then hauling in, told his servant to haul nine loads to the barn and bring the tenth load to town to the Quartermaster, as he had to pay that load to the Government. Upon returning to his place a few days after, he inquired of the boy if he had delivered the tenth load to the Quartermaster. "No masse" said the trusty fellow with the tear of a man who had accomplished a great feat, "the Government don't git nuffin—for dar war'nt no sen'load. I done cram it all inline."

ARRESTED.

Officer Van Pelt of Harrisonburg, while attempting to arrest David Preston, of Capt. Hobson's Company, Gen. Imboden's command, on a charge of theft, received a pistol shot in his leg, breaking it. Preston made his escape and was arrested here on the following day, Saturday, upon notification, by Capt. Ayres, of the Provost Marshal of the Post, and safely lodged in jail.

Jno. Ayres of same company was arrested here on Sunday as an accomplice and placed in confinement with Preston.

☞ We are glad to welcome into our fraternity again the gallant and fearless Rockbridge Rifles, who have so nobly and fearlessly fallen upon the enemy in the vicinity of our county and have fought his last skirmish. We have not fired the last shot, however, Rydal's shallow never from our pen. The Editorial where is the question of hostilities been what it may we feel confident that when our this place is broken and we are again in the saddle we will be found in front rank with the Yahoos, ready to meet the enemy wherever he may be, or charge upon the enemy in the rear, or charge in the front, as the occasion may demand. We are glad to hear that the Rockbridge Rifles are well pleased with their new Colonel, from the Valley County, and we trust that our gallant Colonel will be spared to lead them on to victory and glory