



Staunton Spectator

STANTON, VA.
SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 3, 1866
"Once as Men Anything"

There never was a more favorable time than the present to comply with the editorial injunction, "GIVE NO MORE ADVERTISEMENTS." It may be taken for granted that those who have the means and refuse or neglect to pay their debts now, have no idea of ever paying them at all, unless forced to do so by legal process.

These times will serve to expose the really dishonest. We have proposed that all those who are indebted for subscription who will come forward and pay before the first of January what they are owing for the past and also the present year in advance, will only be charged at the advanced rates for the past year.

Those who fail to avail themselves of this opportunity will be charged at the rate of \$3.50 for the past year or years, as the case may be, and three dollars for the present. By this proposition offered, those who are owing from the first of May 1866, (the time at which we took sole charge of the paper) will get a receipt from that date to September 28th, 1865, by the payment of \$7.00 instead of \$3.00; and those who are owing from the 1st of May, 1861, will get a receipt to Sept. 28th, 1863, by the payment of \$5.00 instead of \$3.50.

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The above facts we got from the Colonel himself, and they may be relied on. About the 1st of August last, a man by the name of Hunter was murdered and robbed in the road near Ganotown, in Berkeley county, by Lieut. John Cannon (a Virginia traitor in the Yankee service) and his accomplice whose name was Crawford. Mr. Hunter (his first name not known) was on his way for Winchester, and thence to Lynchburg, when he was overtaken and shot several times by Cannon and robbed by Crawford. Three facts were learned from Hunter by Joseph Stanley, who found him before he was dead. The murderers escaped by fleeing into Maryland.

A citizen of this county has furnished us with the following recipe for curing bacon. He says he has used it for years and has never had any of his meat to spoil, or be infested with insects. It is an easy, cheap and simple mode, and is worthy of adoption: For every 1000 pounds of pork take half a bushel of salt, (measured) and half a bushel of clean licker ash, mix it well and apply in the usual manner of salting pork. This method will not only save salt, (an object at this time) but secure the bacon from insects, which are often so destructive to hams and shoulders.

The citizens of Rockbridge contributed for the soldiers the first week the following: 175 blankets and other coverings; 75 pairs of socks; 50 pairs of shoes (making); Leather for 50 more pairs contributed; \$750.00 in cash. Making an aggregate value of not less than \$2500.00. Rockbridge is doing nobly. We hope she will not weary in well-doing.

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The most interesting matter now for persons who wish to invest their money in the advertisements, a great many of which we publish this week. No one should fail to read them, as by doing they may lose an opportunity of making a profitable investment. Those who are wise always read the advertisements with more interest than anything else. A business man always looks first at the advertisements, and then looks for the news.

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