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From the Richmond Examiner.

A RICHMOND BARBER IN NEW YORK.

The very interesting colored barber from Richmond, whose arrival in Washington was reported in the New York Times, has turned up in the city with a bundle of rebel notes, and has been doing a good streak of trade by selling them to the laudatory dopes.

A special meeting, to receive him and hear his stories, was held in the basement of Cheever's church. Reporters were in attendance, and the particulars are given in a copy of the Tribune, of the 23d inst., which was forwarded to us by an obliging friend in the Signal Corps.

We have room only for a few of the most remarkable passages:

Quito a collection of prominent ladies and gentlemen were assembled last evening, in the basement of Rev. Dr. Cheever's church, to pay their respects to the very interesting colored barber from Richmond, whose arrival in this city has been anticipated with so much anxiety.

Among the celebrities present, we noticed Mr. Greeley, of the Tribune; Mr. Raymond of the Times; Mr. Stephen Pearl Andrews; Miss Dix; Prof. Fowler; Mrs. Kemble; Dr. Hodge, of Princeton Seminary; Dr. Guernsey, of Harper's Monthly; Rev. Dr. Pyne; Dr. Cheever, Mrs. Swinheim, and others.

The meeting was opened with prayer, by the Rev. Dr. Cheever, who then introduced the distinguished guest, Mr. Jupiter McFarland, a tall salmon colored gentleman, about thirty years of age, quite handsome, with intelligent black eyes, hair almost straight, and a decidedly pleasing address.

After shaking hands with the principal persons, Mr. McFarland, who has in his veins the best blood of Virginia, stood up in the centre of the middle aisle and answered, in an audible tone, the questions put to him by Dr. Cheever and others.

His education being imperfect, Mr. McFarland's English was not elegant, but his melodious tones and his frank directness of manner made him easily understood.

We pass over the incidents of his career, which are minutely and no doubt falsely, narrated, and come at once to the important questions and answers, as given by the reporter, who makes a feeble attempt to imitate the mulatto lingo.

"Question—Are you acquainted with the rebel leaders?"

"Answer—Yes sir, intimately. They come to my shop to get shaved."

"Question—What of them?"

"Answer—All of 'em, Mr. Benjamin and the 'nother, but they is not here."

"Question—What of them?"

"Answer—Yes, he is de first one, every day."

"Question—Does Jeff Davis get shaved every day?"

"Answer—No, he gets shampooed, and then he sets in a cheer, smokes, and spits about, and talks politics to his friends."

"Question—What other persons come to your shop?"

"Answer—Mr. Letcher comes to get his hair curled and so does Mr. Seddons. Mr. Meiminger and the Press Gen'l, Mr. Northrup, they comes to get their mustaches combed, and baibes together."

"Question—You don't mean to say they bathe in the same tub at the same time?"

"Answer—Yes, I do; they washes one another with castile soap. They is great friends, and play into each others hands."

"Question—How do they do that?"

"Answer—Why, Mr. Meiminger he makes money accordin' to the claims of the Press Gen'l; and the Press Gen'l, he is a fierce old man; he say he healm if he ain't going to press everything the people raise to eat, so's to make expenses light."

"Question—There is great scarcity of food in Richmond, then?"

"Answer—Yes; people dies every day of starvation."

"Question—That's the reason there are so many mules of women?"

"Answer—Not adzactly, for de Government is afraid of their risin', like they did last winter, and so they gives 'em plenty of money, but it's mostly the rich planters that's been de away from town, and de poor folks is de away from town, and de want of a manning crew, and is 'bamed to say de reason."

Written for the Patriot.

TO MISS LUCY.

Occasions there are, remarkably rare, That chance in life's changeable way, That drive from the heart the gloomier part, And fill the soul with a gentle ray.

When grief and distress my spirit oppress, The thought of a faithful heart, Will quickly impart a balm to my heart, And drive every trouble away.

That precious boquet, as time flies away, I'll fondly remember forever, Nor age can efface the delicate trace Engraved on my heart by the fair.

In the white bud, I ween, is purity seen, In the red rose affection most pure, And the leaf of joyant, so fresh and so green, Says my love is both constant and sure.

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A MOTHER'S SONG.

Father! in the battle fray, Shelter his dear head, I pray, Shelter his young arm with the might of justice, liberty and right.

Where the red ball deadliest falls, Where stern duty loudly calls, Where the strife is fierce and wild—Father, guard, O guard my child.

Father, if my woman's heart—Faint and weak in every part— Wanders from thy mercy seat, After those dear roving feet, Let thy tender pitying grace Every selfish thought erase!

If this mother's love be wrong, Pardon, O God, and make me strong!

If now sorrow should befall, If my noble boy should fall, If the bright hero I have blessed On the cold earth finds his rest— Still with all the mother's heart, Torn and quivering with the smart, I'll grieve, O God, thy chastening rod To his country and his God.

THE BIBLE AND SCIENCE.—Lieut. Maury, at the laying of the corner stone of the University of the South (which by the way was set on foot by Bishop now Lieut. Gen. Polk) said:

I have been blinded by men of science, both in this country and in England, for quoting the Bible in confirmation of the doctrine of physical geography. The Bible, they say, was not written for scientific purposes, and is therefore of no authority for anything it teaches. What would you think of the historian who should refuse to consult the historical facts of the Bible because the Bible was not written for the purpose of history? The Bible is a historical record, and is as true and as reliable as any other record of its kind.

When I produced in one department of this beautiful science reflecting light upon each other, and each shining the other, how can I, as a truth-loving, knowledge-seeking man, fail to point out the beauty, and rejoice in its discovery, and wish such discoveries ought to stir the soul, the waves of the sea would lift their voice, and the very stones of the earth would cry out against me.

As a student of physical geography, I regard the earth, sea, air and water pieces of mechanism, not made with hands, but to which nevertheless, certain offices have been assigned in the terrestrial economy. It is good and profitable to seek to find out these offices, and point them to our fellows! And when after patient research, I am led to the discovery of any one of them, I feel with the astronomer of old, as though I had "thought one of God's thoughts, and tremble."

SEARCH FOR HAPPINESS.—A wealthy epicure applied to an Arabian doctor for a prescription that would restore his body to health and give happiness to his mind. The physician advised him to exchange shirts with a man who was perfectly contented with his lot. Whereupon the patient set out on a journey in pursuit of such a person. After many months spent without accomplishing his object, he was told of a certain Bedouin, of whom every one had spoken as a model of happiness. Pursuing the direction given, the traveler was at length rewarded with the sight of the cobbler enjoying a comfortable nap on a board. Without ceremony he was aroused from his slumbers and the important interrogatory whether he was contented with his lot was answered in the affirmative.

"Then," said the seeker after happiness, I have one small boon to ask of your hands. It is that you exchange shirts with me, that by that means I also may become contented and happy."

"Most gladly would I accede to your request," replied the cobbler, "but—"

"Nay, retire me, nay," interrupted the man of wealth, "that you name shall remain."

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Edgeworth Female Seminary.

GREENSBOROUGH, N. C. The fall session of this Institution will commence on the 4th of August next.

Terms for the Session of Terms: Board, including washing, lights, fuel, \$25.00; English, Tuition, \$20.00; Music on the Piano, \$10.00; French, \$10.00; Music, \$12.50; Oil Painting, \$10.00; Drawing, \$12.50; Greek Painting, \$10.00; Ancient and Modern Languages, each \$10.00.

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Lead! Lead!—The highest cash price paid for lead in large or small quantities. A. P. BUCKEL.

Caution to Bankers, Brokers and Others.

The public are hereby cautioned against receiving any of the Old Issues of the Farmers Bank of North Carolina, especially any notes that are all mutilated or that have been PAID.

HOW TO KNOW THE OLD ISSUE. All the notes of this Bank are printed on a fine quality of paper, and are signed by Cyrus P. Mendenhall, President, and W. A. Caldwell, Cashier, and are all dated the 1st day of October, 1862, and are all payable to the order of the Farmers Bank of North Carolina, N. C. This man had a two horse wagon driven by a negro, and a one horse wagon driven by a very large grey mare.

The man was about 45 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, he got 150 to 175 pounds. We think his hair was slightly grey, and his complexion dark. He was a very stout man, and he had a very large nose.

By order of the Board of Directors of Greensboro' N. C. 22d Sept. 1863.

CYRUS P. MENDEHALL, President. W. A. CALDWELL, Secretary.

\$300 REWARD.

For the arrest of the thief and the recovery of twenty-one boxes of Tobacco of its value. Each box was branded in blue letters, "W. F. Phippen, the Trade oct. 22d, Danville, Va." and was loaded by us on the 27th of September, 1862, to a man calling himself, F. King, to be delivered to J. F. Garrett, Greensboro', N. C. This man had a two horse wagon driven by a negro, and a one horse wagon driven by a very large grey mare.

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